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Walking into church Someone asks me How I'm doing I say "Great, thanks."

And look up

To see who asked

I realize

As I look into their eyes

That these two know

She lost a son

He lost a daughter

They each know

To their sorrow

That I am not "great"

Will never be "fine" again

We are there together

Members of a select group

No One wants to join

Parents

Who have buried their children

Wept by their grave

I acknowledge

With an aching relief

That they understand

A glance

A clasp of hands

Is all it takes

No subterfuge needed

Nothing expected

It feels good

Just to be with them

Because they know