**“Upon the Burning of Our House, July 10th, 1666”**

**Stanza 1: Screams of “fire” woke me.**

**Stanza 2: I cried to God for help and saw my house burn.**

**Stanza 3: I shouldn’t be sad about the loss of my house because it belongs to God.**

**Stanza 4: God deprived us of some things, but left us enough to survive.**

**Stanza 5: All of my favorite belongings are now reduced to ashes.**

**Stanza 6: “You” (the house) are now silenced, and I say good bye to you and all of the meaningless material items you contained.**

**Stanza 7: I cannot believe that I placed so much value in something materialistic.**

**Stanza 8: There is a house in the sky that is beautifully furnished and paid for by God.**

**Stanza 9: My eternal life and happiness comes from faith in God and not material items.**