

Attend Church Regularly

...and read your Bible daily



WEEKLY SERMONETTE

By Jerry Cummings, Pastor of Living Hope Fellowship in Norton

"These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me." (Jn. 16:1-3)

Islamic terrorists taking their own lives, while killing innocent men, women, and children whom they see as God's enemies because they are Jews, Christians, or supporters of Israel. Many similar events have taken place over the years in many places. Again the question: how could one do these things while thinking they

are doing God a favor? Jesus said in the verse at the beginning (Jn 16:3) that they will do these things "because they have not known the Father, nor Me." In other words, if people really knew God, through personal interaction, communion, until they really catch His heart, they wouldn't do these kinds of things. Even the disciples

had to be rebuked by Jesus when they wanted to call down fire upon Samaritans who wouldn't welcome them. Jesus pointed out that He didn't come into the world to destroy life but to save lives. Yes God will judge the world and punish wickedness, but at this time, as with Jesus, our mission is to seek and to save, not search and destroy. God's heart is the heart of the prodigal son's father who looked continually for His wayward son to come home. (Luke 15).

Here Jesus speaks to his disciples about a time coming when people would persecute them and even kill them while believing that they are doing God a favor by these actions. Think of how far this thinking is from the truth, that people would actually believe that in killing those who are God's children, they are helping Him. Could anyone be more wrong than this? I can't imagine someone thinking they were helping me by hurting or killing the ones I love.

Yet, we see this prediction of Jesus fulfilled very shortly into the early church in the book of Acts as persecution broke out against the new believers. The religious leaders of that day, including the man who would later become the Apostle Paul stoned, jailed, and scattered the early Christians, thinking that they were destroying God's enemies.

A thousand years later, Crusaders, in the name of Christ, made their way into the holy land, thinking they were doing God's service by slaughtering countless Muslims and other middle eastern peoples as they hoped to take back this land. Today as well, we see



PRESIDENTS

Forty three, they number, in the march through time ... the celebrated parade of Presidents of the United States of America. Differing in physical stature and personality, possessing their own distinctive style of leadership and political agenda...each of our Presidents, however unique, has shared one common goal, to lead our country.

Each has shared in the guidance of our nation and in furthering the democratic process on which our nation was built. They gave of their ideas, their energies, and in some terrible instances their very lives.

This year on Presidents' Day, let's reflect on our history...on "God and Country"...and pray for the future of our nation as we continue to support our Commanders-in-Chief in their march through time.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Genesis 18.16-33	Lamentations 3.1-33	1 Kings 3.1-15	1 Kings 8.1-21	1 Kings 8.22-40	1 Kings 8.41-53	1 Kings 8.54-66

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NORCATUR NEWS

By NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

Visitors of Marguerite Clark were Fox (Loyal) Temple and Robert Clark. They arrived Wednesday evening and headed home Friday evening and Saturday morning. They were here to visit their Aunt Marguerite and for the graveside service of their uncle, Harold Clark, on Jan. 30.

Wednesday evening they took Mrs. Clark to the Cardinal Bar and Grill where several of their friends and classmates were gathered for the pool and dart tournament.

Saturday was the Seeds of Hope Telethon in Oberlin. Mayor Mike

Helm was interviewed for the needs of the City. Linda Hunt provided cookies and Wava Reames answered phones for an hour.

Saturday afternoon Oran and LaVerne Milner were guests of Marguerite Clark. They played a card game Robert Clark had taught them while he was here, but they couldn't remember all the rules, so they made up what they couldn't remember. Wava Reames got home about 5:30 p.m. from the telethon so everyone had supper together. After supper, they played a game called, "Oh Well".

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ADOPTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN BEFORE THE CITY OF ALMENA, ALMENA CEMETERY, ALMENA RURAL FIRE, ALMENA-HARRISON TOWNSHIP, AND ALMENA TOWNSHIP

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You are hereby advised, pursuant to the provisions of KSA 12-17, 117, a public hearing will be held at the Almena Community Building located at 415 Main Street, almena on the 3rd day of March, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. to consider

whether the above mentioned taxing districts should adopt a "Neighborhood Revitalization Plan" for all of the area and territory lying within the corporate limits of their district. The Norton county commission enacted the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for Norton County, Kansas on November 13, 2007.

The proposed Neighborhood Revitalization Plan is available for public review and consideration at the office of the Norton County Clerk in the Norton County Courthouse during regular business hours or online at <http://www.discovernorton.com>.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS
In the Matter of the Estate of ELMER H. ZIERLEIN, Deceased

Case No. 2007-PR-40

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are hereby notified that Lloyd Zierlein, executor of the above entitled estate, will offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate situated in Norton County, Kansas, to wit:

- The Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Thirty-six (36), Township four (4) South, Range Twenty-five (25) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas.
- The West Half of the Northwest Quarter (W/2 NW/4), the Northeast

Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE/4 NW/4) and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW/4 NE/4) all in Section Six (6), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-four (24) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas

3. The Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Seven (7), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-four (24) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas. on Tuesday, March 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lenora Community Building, Lenora, Kansas 67645, to the highest bidder for cash. All parties interested should take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

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VICTORIOUSLY LIVING OVER THE FLESH

WHICH DESIRE ARE YOU FEEDING?

Romans 8:13 says, "For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall die." (King James)

Mortification is the special ministry that enables the child of God to overcome those evil desires that could destroy the Christian's relationship with the Lord: Jesus gives a clear teaching that will pave the way of putting to death the sinful nature. He said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are bad, your whole body will be full of darkness." (Matthew 6:22-23)

Every moment of the day we are feeding. What we feed on will grow in our minds and hearts. That is what is going to flow out of our lives. Just as our bodies reflect what and how much we eat, our lives will reflect what we feed the mind, spirit and soul.

Ed Wood shared the story he heard about an Indian who had come to Christ. When asked about his new found faith he described it as having two dogs living inside him. One is like an old dog. He is mean, vicious, unmanageable, and down right un-trainable. The second is like a new dog that is obedient, longs to serve Christ, and gives attention to the Lord. He described the two dogs as always fighting to get his attention and wanting to have control over his entire life. When asked what dog wins he replied back with, "The one I feed the most."

In dealing with the sinful nature, Christians have to become like a man who owns an old dog that is un-trainable, refuses to obey, always finds trouble when turned loose, bites children and causes a path of destruction wherever he goes. Finally the law shows up on his porch with a court order informing this man that he must fulfill his duty and restrain the dog for the protection of himself and the safety of the community. Thus, the man restrains the dog with something that is stronger than himself. He puts the dog on a chain.

Today's text, Romans 8: 13 informs the Christian of his duty. The restraining order is to mortify the flesh and become dead to that sinful nature.

Which Dog are you feeding?

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