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WEEKLY SERMONETTE



“Essential Elements for Marriage”

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PART FIVE

A Biblically joined marriage enjoys what the Lord knows to be unity. Our key Scripture says, “...they shall become one flesh.” (Genesis 2:24) “One” (ehād) “stresses unity while recognizing diversity within that oneness.” “It has the idea of unity or integrity as when it designates one justice for all.” (Marriage, From Surviving to Thriving, Swindoll; The Complete Word Study Dictionary: Old Testament)

The perfect Biblical presentation of this is found in Exodus 26:6,

“You shall make fifty clasps of gold, and join the curtains to one another with the clasps so that the tabernacle will be a unit.” (Exodus 26:6) Several translations say, “couple the curtains one to the other with clasps, so that the tabernacle may be a single whole one [unit].” (English Standard Version; King James)

Moses used the same Hebrew word for one (ehād) for the building of the tabernacle and for the bring-

ing into the complex unity of man and woman for marriage. “This unity is diversity brought into harmony.” (Marriage, From Surviving to Thriving, Swindoll)

I especially appreciate an

illustration from the book “Love Is A Choice.” What Moses was writing “is the picture that is seen in a figure-skating couple gliding across the ice. The man and woman intertwine their arms and

legs, spinning and twirling in perfect synchronized movements with music playing. Their movements are individual, different, yet carefully executed so that you see them as one working unit. Then suddenly they part ways and move in opposite directions, spin in perfect unison, they come together again, creating a beautiful picture of two people living as “one-flesh.” (Marriage, From Surviving to Thriving, Swindoll)

The Christian marriage surrendered to the Lordship of Christ as head of the relationship has individual movements which are different, yet present to an on looking world a picture of unity, a couple working in harmony for the glory of God who created the marriage covenant. There is such a unity, that even when the couple are not together in one place, those who know their lives, know who each person belongs to as well as their vision in this life.

Let God, Christ and the Holy Spirit make you one flesh

Drawn to the Sea

The power of the sea can be reassuring, a memory to recall when we feel weak and alone during the storms of life. “All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full.” (Ecclesiastes 1:7) How deep and how endless is God’s love for us! He can help us through the worst catastrophe when we believe in his omnipotence. As we are drawn to the sea, may we be drawn to our house of worship so that the power of His might and His Word will remain fresh in our hearts and minds.

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Weekly Scripture Reading						
Genesis 1:1-2:4a	Genesis 2:4b-25	Genesis 3:1-24	Genesis 6:1-22	Genesis 7:1-24	Genesis 8:1-22	Genesis 9:1-17

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Bank of America, N.A.) Case No.)
Plaintiff,) 12CV21
vs.) Court Number:
Loye E. Blackburn; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant);) Pursuant to
Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Unknown spouse,) K.S.A.
if any, of Loye E. Blackburn, Defendants.) Chapter 60
Defendants.)

NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Kansas, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Norton County, Kansas, praying to foreclose a real estate mortgage on the following described real estate:

The East 47 feet of a tract of land commencing at a point 261 and 8/100 feet North of a point 33 and 135/168 rods West of the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE/4 SE/4) of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Two (2) South, Range Twenty-three (23) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Norton County, Kansas, running thence due West 100 feet, thence North to the South line of Lot Five (5), Block Twenty (20), Hillside Addition to the City of Norton, Kansas, thence North across said Lot Five (5), Block Twenty (20) to Waverly Street, thence East 100 feet, thence South to the place of beginning, together with a right-of-way and easement for driveway purposes on, over and across a tract of land described in Right-of-Way Easement recorded in Miscellaneous Record N at page 408 of the Register of Deeds of Norton County, Kansas, and a right-of-way and easement on, over and across the South 10 feet of the West 53 feet of the above described tract for driveway purposes, commonly known as 208 West Waverly Street, Norton, KS 67654 (the “Property”)

and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 9th day of August, 2012, in the District Court of Norton County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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