

# More on loving spouse as Jesus loves congregation

So how was your week? Did you master loving your spouse as Christ loved the church? Tall order isn't it?

Let me encourage you — what God asks you to do, He will help you do it. I said last week we would revisit this topic. I understand Paul is writing to men, and addressing how men need to treat their wives. Let me just say, ladies you deserve to be treated like this. However, I think we all can apply these principles. So here we go:

**We Are To Love Sacrificially** (Ephesians 5:25) — When Jesus came into the world, He loved the church before there was a church. He set aside all the splendor of heaven, came to earth, lived and died for you and me.

His love had nothing to do with



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whether you and I deserved it or not. It wasn't a matter of us deserving it. What does that have to do with marriage? In our world, love has a tendency to be object-oriented. We tend to look at things, to look at people. If the object is nice, if we like it, are attracted to it, get along with it, then we love it.

The love that God is calling us to has very little to do with how you feel about it. Last time I checked, feelings were pretty fickle. God

loves us, and he does it based on a decision.

The kind of love we are talking about is based purely on choice. Let your love be there, not because of what you feel, but because of what you will. Men, when was the last time you loved sacrificially?

**We Are To Have A Purifying Love** (Eph 5:26) — When you love someone you want to keep that person pure. Our desire for our spouse should be that of helping them grow in purity (purity of heart and body).

For Matthew 5:8 says, "Happy many times over are the pure in heart for they shall see God." You never ask them to compromise, to cheat, to lie, never bait them to cause them to sin, because you want her to be pure.

**It Should Be An Unbreakable Love** (Eph 5:30-31) — Marriage is to be forever. Yet, I understand that there are some circumstances beyond an individual's control. Trust me; there is no stone in my hand.

All I am saying is Christians need to recapture the forever commitment, that our marriage relationship is forever. It is true, moonlight and roses turn into daylight and dishes, but let your commitment to your spouse be an unbreakable commitment.

May our spouse not be surprised by our love, and may our children understand what real love looks and acts like.

Let me close with this: A pastor was having some difficulty convincing his wife that he really loved her.

A friend gave him this advice: Go home and grab her and give her a huge passionate kiss.

When he arrived home that afternoon, the husband rushed into the kitchen, put his arms around his wife and gave her an extra passionate kiss. The wife immediately ran into the bedroom and started weeping.

Not understanding, the husband asked her what was wrong. The wife replied, "Billy broke his arm today at school, the washing machine flooded the house, and now you come home drunk!"

May our spouse and family members never be surprised by our love for them, for they are worth it!

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## Brewster boys in state competition

It's play basketball time in Brewster. The girls and boys have had an outstanding year. The girls finally lost in their second substate game, but the boys went on to win Saturday to continue in Hays this week for State.

The girls' totals for the year were 22-3, which is nothing to hang your heads about. Girls, you had a wonderful year, and the community congratulates you all. So let's go, Brewster Bulldog boys. We're all cheering for you.

We had a surprise birthday cake for Harold Norton Friday, March 3, at the center, and I think I did surprise him. Harold is 84 years young. Fourteen were on hand to help him celebrate.

Royal Reid stopped by the center on Friday afternoon. He was returning from a trip to Iowa.

Marg Westover has a new great-great-granddaughter. Her name is Aubreanna Nicole, and she weighed 7 pounds, 16 ounces, and is 20 inches long. Marg's son Carl Samuelson and family were home for three days to visit Marg.

Betty Wolfe also has a new great-granddaughter. Mickey and Tom Goonan are the grandparents, and Connie and Joe Nicks from Kenai, Alaska, are the parents. The little one's name is Giaseena Lauree. She weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 10 1/8 inches long. She was born Feb. 28.

Sally Michael and her son Barry Michael came into the center Thursday. It was good to see Sally and visit with her. She looks good. Barry is from Salina. Also, Allie came in and



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made herself at home. You'll all remember that Allie is Sally's dog.

Don't forget the nurse will be in on March 21 for blood pressure checks.

Bingo will be Friday, March 17, at 2 p.m., and lunch and potluck are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Come join us.

My own: Once you were on the outside, looking in. You were a child whose nose is pressed against the window of a beautiful shop full of toys and candy with no money to buy.

You were like a child on the playground who longs to take part in the game but never gets picked to be on a team. You were like the foreigner who can't understand the language or traditions of the strange land he is traveling through. How lonely and lost he feels!

But now everything has changed. My Son has come for you. Now you belong; you are a part; you are on the inside. Jesus Christ has opened the door to the beautiful shop and has paid the price for your purchases.

Jesus Christ has stopped the game and come over to you on the sidelines and has chosen you to be on his team. Jesus Christ has welcomed you into a new land where he is the King. He has taught you the language and the customs and made you a citizen. Now, at last, you are a member of the household of God. Welcome, my child. God. Ephesians 2:11-13.

## music club news

The Goodland Federated Music Club met at 7 p.m. Monday at the Carnegie Arts Center. President Birkley Barnes called the meeting to order and opened it with the singing of the local and state theme songs and repeating the Club Collect.

Martha Gunderson called the roll with seven members answering: Birkley, Martha, Linda Koons, Linda Lucas, Marlyn Mangus, Pat Schiefen and Eva Lou Selby.

Linda Koons, yearbook chair, introduced the program, beginning with group singing led by herself, accompanied by Eva Lou.

The songs of Ireland were "My Wild Irish Rose," words and music by Chauncey Olcott; "I'll Take You Home, Again, Kathleen," words and music by Thomas P. Westendorf; "That's an Irish Lullaby," words and music by J.R. Shannon; "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," words by Chauncey Olcott and George Graff Jr. and music by Ernest R. Ball. The last song was "Danny Boy," adapted from an Old Irish Air by Fred E. Weatherly.

The program continued with Marlyn reading "We Real Cool," a poem by Gwendolyn Brooks. A barbershop quartet sang "Grandfather's Clock," by Henry C. Work. Quartet members were Linda Lucas, Pat, Birkley and Eva Lou.

Martha fired up the piano with "Toccata," by Dmitri Kabalevsky. Birkley, clarinet, and Eva Lou, piano, cooled off the piano with "Blue

Prelude," by Joe Bishop and Gordon Jenkins.

From a "cool" poem to "hot" and "cool" music, the program wrapped up with "Memories." Members were asked to tell about memories of their music teachers and their influences upon them. The general feeling was that music teachers had had a great and positive influence on everyone.

A short business meeting followed the program. Linda Lucas read the minutes of the previous meeting, and Martha gave the treasurer's report. Linda Lucas and Linda Koons each gave committee reports.

A revised budget for 2005-06, presented by the budget committee, Marlyn, Martha and Birkley, was approved. Candidates were nominated for 2006-07 and will be voted on at the April meeting.

The meeting adjourned and hostesses Marlyn and Birkley served refreshments of coffee, mint tea, brownies, dried apricots, nuts and "Andes" mints.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 3, at the Lutheran Church. Martha and Eva Lou are hostesses. The theme for the evening will be "April Showers," and the program will include group singing of "rain" songs, a poem, music for piano, recorders and vocal and guitar music.

Submitted by Birkley Barnes, publicity chair.

## Worship warms the heart



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 4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
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 Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
 Sunday: 4 pm

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**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
 Sunday School: 10:45 am  
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 Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm  
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**Pastor:** Michael Estep  
 Fifth & Broadway  
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**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
 Morning Service: 10 am  
 Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

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**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
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**United Methodist Church Brewster**  
**Pastor:**  
 Worship Service: 10:45 am CST  
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**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters  
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**Pastor:** Rev. Ted Amos  
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**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.  
**Activities:** Junior High & High School Youth Groups, Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups, Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship  
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**Kanorado United Methodist Church**  
**Pastor:** Leonard Cox  
 399-2468  
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 Worship Service: 10:15 am

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**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
 Third & Caldwell  
 899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am  
 Worship Service: 10:50 am  
 Evening Service: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

**First United Methodist Church**  
 1116 Sherman  
 899-3631  
**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez  
**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
 Worship Service: 10:30 am

**Goodland Bible Church**  
 109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship: 10:45 am  
 Evening Worship: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter) and prayer: 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church**  
**Pastor:** Travis Blake  
 Fifth & Center • 890-3450  
**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 am (Child care provided)  
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 104 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-7918  
**Pastor:** Brian Fugleberg  
**Sunday:** Worship: 9:30 am  
 Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Youth group meets at 7 p.m.  
 at Scherlings', 827 Caldwell.

**Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
 1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim Martin  
**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
 Worship Service: 11 am

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church**  
 13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw  
**Sunday:** Christian education/fellowship: 10:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 9 am  
**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

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 401 Caldwell  
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