

Do you keep repeating sins, or make U-turns?

There was a man who ran a stop sign, and a policeman pulled him over. The policeman said, "You've run a stop sign."

The driver said, "No, I didn't. I stopped; I just coasted."

Policeman: "No, there is a difference."

Driver: "It is the same."

The policeman said, "No, it's not, and here is a ticket to prove it."

The next day at the same intersection, same cop, same driver, same situation, and the same conversation.

The following day was a repeat of the last two. However, this time the policeman said, "Listen, this is depressing me."

So he pulled the man through the window and began to hit him on the head. The officer said, "Listen, do



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- moments from calvary

you want me to just slow down or do you want me to stop?"

This Friday I want to talk to you about repentance. I want to talk to you about allowing U-turns in your life. About stopping and not just slowing down on harmful sinful decisions. The book of James gives us a great lesson on repentance.

It is clear that as the Apostle James pens this letter, he and God are concerned that there are people who think they are OK with God. They think they are saved, they think they

causes us to look inward and really evaluate ourselves. I don't know about you, but I am glad God allows U-Turns.

When we say a U-Turn, we are saying you do a 180 — you go in a different direction. The biblical word for that is repentance. A freeing principle to live by — when you mess up, you fess up. That is repentance. How do you know if you have done that? Well, there are five things that should happen in your life.

First, repentance is submitting to

the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Don't put the paper down yet! James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

Submit means to line up under. It is giving God the keys of your life and letting Him drive. Listen, it is not enough just to believe that there is a God — somewhere along the line you need to surrender all of yourself to the Lord.

The second element of this eternal U-turn is seeking the Lord. James 4:8 reads, "Come near to God and he will come near to you."

There should be a desire to know Him, to have fellowship with Him. That is an exciting passage of Scripture, and the principle is repeated throughout the Bible. You draw near to God; God will run to you. Don't

believe me? Read Luke 15:17-20. God is so good, how could you not want to give all you have?

What else does repentance involve? It deals with separating ourselves from sin (verse 8). You say, "but sin is fun."

I would take joy over fun any day. It involves purifying our actions and purifying our attitudes. What is the point? You can't come to God and continue in a lifestyle of sin. A sinful lifestyle separates you from God.

One last thought from James 4. Repentance involves sorrow over sin (verse 9). Stop and just think what sin does to people. How it destroys families, nations and churches. It is a dangerous thing, and one whose ramifications must bring brokenness. Pride will keep you from God, but brokenness

brings you before Him.

The good news, friend, is Calvary. Because of what Jesus did on Calvary you can be free from the bondage of sin. Call out to Jesus. Get to know Him. Be real with Him.

Charlotte Elliot wrote these words: "Just as I am thou wilt receive. Will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, because thy promise I believe. Oh lamb of God, I come I come."

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End of graduations, beginning of heat proves summer here

All the graduations are over, and the way the heat has kicked in, I guess summertime is here.

We had close to one inch of rain on the 21st and 22nd, which was badly needed. It has been so dry and hot the wheat and dry land corn are not doing well at this point.

On May 25th at the center, Evelyn (Hoyt) Ward spoke on the "Range War Era 1902-1905," and Ray Imhof and Doris (Imhof) Johnson talked on a book "As I Remember It," a Memoir told by their mother Esther Imhof and compiled by Ray and Doris.

We also had 13 quilts on display from some of our local ladies. Cookies, lemonade and iced tea were refreshments. It was a very enjoyable and informative afternoon. A total of 36 stopped in for the program. We will try to do it again this winter for those who missed it.

Jance McKee placed 4th in State 1-A at the golf tournament in Winfield, two strokes behind first place. Wonderful job, Jance.

Cliff and Paula Fox went fishing the week of May 22nd at Sheridan Lake and were very lucky in their catches. I'm sure they'll be enjoying fish for awhile.

Kenneth and Norma Eicher celebrated their 60th anniversary at Hunter Hall on Friday evening, May 26th.



betty jo baird

- brewster news

Bob Baird of Goodland, former Brewster resident, passed away Sunday, May 28, at his home. He had been ill for some time.

We had a wonderful rain Tuesday morning. It was nice to wake up to the sound of thunder and rain. I guess we received about 1 1/4 inches this morning, hoping for more. It could rain all day and make a lot of people happy.

The Brewster Community Development Corp. did some cleaning and repairs around Brewster on Saturday, May 27. There were 30 men and women doing the work. Things look much nicer around town. Thanks for all your help.

Don't forget the City-Wide Garage Sale 8:30 a.m.-??? Saturday.

Don't forget to give me your news. If I don't know about it, I can't write it.

Lorie and Kent Moore along with Spencer and Colt from Garden City came to help Duane and Judy Headley paint and fix up the house on May 19th and 20th.

The Headleys had a very busy time last week. It started with the funeral of Judy's aunt in Missouri on Tuesday. They hurried home knowing they had a busy week anyhow.

Worship warms the heart



Calvary Gospel Church

Pastor: Steve Rains, Ben Coats, youth pastor
Fourth & College • 890-3605
Sunday: Kid's Church: 10:30 am
Morning Service: 10:30 am
Evening Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Adult mid-week service: 7:00 p.m.
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.
Small Group Ministries meets through out the week.
www.calvarygospel.net

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Pastor: Father Norbert Dlabal
307 W. 13th • 890-7205
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment
Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am
Spanish Mass:
Sunday: 4 pm

Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398
Minister: Charles E. Kerr, Jr.
Sunday: Worship Service: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 10:45 am
Team Puppeteers: 6 pm
Wednesday:
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm
Jets, 4th grade and under: 3:30 - 4:30

Word of Life

Joursquare Church
10th & Clark • 899-5250
Pastor: John Coumerilh
Sunday: Worship Celebration
and Kids' Church: 10:30 am
Wednesday: K.W.A.M.!
Age 3 through grade 6, 6:30 p.m.
(during school year)

Pleasant Home Church

**Serving the rural community
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Rt. 1, Box 180 • 694-2807 • 3190 Road 70
Pastor: Charlie Busch
694-2242
Sunday: Worship Service: 9 am
Sunday School: 10 am
Evening Service: 6 pm

Bible Baptist Church

Pastor: Michael Estep
Fifth & Broadway
890-7368
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am
Morning Service: 10 am
Evening Service: 6:30 pm
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO
(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 am
Sunday School: 11:15 am
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 am

Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo
Spanish Speaking Church
Minister: Esteban Ortiz B.
1601 Texas • 899-5275
Daily Prayer: Sunday thru
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am

United Methodist Church

Brewster:
Pastor:
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST
Winona:
Minister: Rev. Bob Winters
Worship Service: 9 am CST
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Pastor: Rev. Ted Amos
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233
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
Special Notice: Handicap Accessible, Hearing
Assistance Equipment and Infant and Toddler
Nurseries Available

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**United Methodist
Church**
Pastor: Leonard Cox
399-2468
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am
Worship Service: 10:15 am

Church of the Nazarene

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)
Morning Worship: 10:30 am
Wednesday: Bible study 7 p.m.
Call church for information
Thursday: Bible study 9:30 a.m.
Wheatridge Center

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969
Priest: Father Hal Lycett
Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m. Sunday
10:00 a.m. Thursday
Morning Prayer: 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.
For emergencies Wed. - Sun. 890-6969
Sr. Warden for emergencies
Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

Harvest Evangelical Free Church

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.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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

13th & Sherman • 890-6161

Pastor: Scott Grimshaw
Sunday: Christian eduction/fellowship:
10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9 am
Wednesday: Confirmation: 6 pm

Church of Christ

401 Caldwell
890-6185
Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:45 am
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 pm

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your chosen House of Worship this Sabbath:**

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Hwy. 24

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North Main

Good Samaritan Center
208 W. 2nd

KLOE/KKEJ/KWGB
3023 W. 31

Sunflower Contest

RULES

- Write down as many words (at least 3 letters) that you can think of using the word "Nutrient"
- Do not use proper names
- Bring your completed list to The Goodland Star- News office at 1205 Main or at our booth at the Fair by 12:00 p.m. by Monday, August 14th

Winner will be announced in the Friday, August 18th edition

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