

Freedom comes by living the list of God

It seems like life is just full of rules. There are driving rules and there are rules in every sporting event. There are rules of etiquette and there are rules for proper grammar. Everywhere you turn, there are rules.

Perhaps you have seen these "rules for living": The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken belt and a flat tire. Don't be irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted. Never test the depth of the water with both feet. If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments. Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes. If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how



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to fish, and he will sit in a boat and do nothing all day. A closed mouth gathers no foot.

Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving. Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

I don't think any of us would think living by those rules would lead to constant success.

There is however a set of rules, commandments if you will — that were communicated to us many years ago. Just recently I had heard that a majority of Americans can't list the 10 commandments any more. What is even more frightening is

the report went on to say that a vast number of Christians can't give you God's Top 10. How about you? Do you know God's Top Ten? See if you can write them out real quick.

Most of us when we think about the 10 commandments we think Hollywood's rendition and we think about Moses going up the mountain, and his hair turns gray. All of a sudden lightning bolts start flashing everywhere, and with each flash a stone tablet falls to earth with a command on it.

If we aren't careful you can get the idea that God is an angry, harsh, mean God trying to limit mankind. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Understand this, you and I aren't

saved by following the commands. You and I can be saved by receiving the grace of God in our lives. But with that truth, it doesn't make the 10 commandments a second class list.

God gave these commands so that we might know what sin is and so that we might learn to live life to its limits. Life does have limits, and the commandments are the limits or the boundaries of life.

You can exceed those limits, those boundaries. You can violate every limit God has ever set, but you have to understand that it moves you into an atmosphere of death.

Let's illustrate it by using the AIDS virus, anyone who knows anything about that virus knows that not only is it a terrible death, but that you can contract disease and carry it in your body for weeks, months, or years and never even know it. That is the perfect illustration of sin in the

life of an individual.

Understand it is not that God is some giant killjoy who is out to ruin your "fun." He doesn't come to us saying, "Don't do that, I command you to stop!" No, it is that He knows to operate outside of His commands will suffocate life, and that it will ruin a person!

Deuteronomy 5:32 tells us why God gave the commands, "So be careful to do what the LORD your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. Walk in all the way that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess." He gave us the commands because he wanted to teach us how to live a prosperous life.

Here are the commands in common day vernacular. Make God number one in your life (No gods

before Him). Worship God in spirit and in truth (Do not have idols). Praise His holy name (Don't take his name in vain, or give a last name!). Honor God with your time (Remember the Sabbath). Value your family (Honor your parents). Value the creation made in God's image (Do not murder). Love your spouse and family (Do not commit adultery). Use your resources correctly (You shall not steal). Speak the truth in love (Don't give false testimony). Seek to be contented (Don't covet).

You can find the list in Exodus 20. But more than find it, let's keep it and live life to its limits!

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club news

The Goodland Lions Club was called to order by President Cinda Hatcher at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 8, at the Northwest Kansas Technical College. The flag salute was led by Hatcher. Lion Jan Peterson gave the invocation and members enjoyed their meal with fellowship.

Roll call was answered by how much Christmas greenery you had sold. Gestes were Kim Bohme and Lucas Medrano from the Goodland Skate Park committee.

Members were thanked for the hard work at the Flatlanders Fall Festival. Lions signed up for State Lions pins. Lion Carol Guyer handed out information on the nuts sales. We are selling almonds, pecans, walnuts, mixed nuts, apricots and a couple of mixtures. The nuts will be here Oct. 15. It was reported that we

donated to Candy Day for sight. The club voted to work with the Country Clover 4-H club with the sorting of eye glasses.

Lion Wallace Hansen reported on the Zone meeting that will be hosted by the Goodland Lions at 2 p.m. on Oct. 21 at the technical college. We will have four different speakers about Lions projects.

Bohme and Medrano gave a very informative program on the Goodland Skate Park. They explained the different phases of the park and how the money making was coming along. They are having a breakfast on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the Sugar Hills Country Club.

The drawing was won by Lion Bryan Hatcher who donated it to the Goodland Skate Park. Meeting was adjourned

Reported by Cinda Hatcher

matters of record

Marriages

The following marriage licenses have been issued in the Sherman County District Court:
David Thomas Shields and Jamie Lee Knox, both of Goodland.
Daniel Kenneth Brack and Nicole

Lynn Rogers, both of Goodland.

Divorces

The following divorces have been granted in the Sherman County District Court:
Andrew L. Drennan and Jacque S. Drennan, both of Sherman County.

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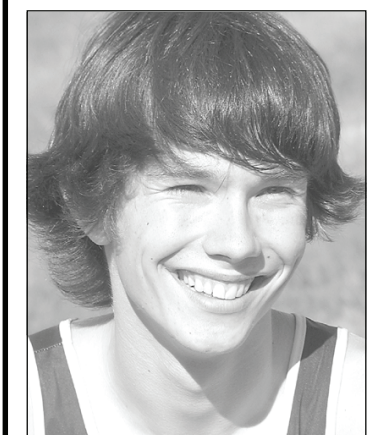
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student of the week



Field Service, Family Career Community Leaders of America, FCS, Stuco, class officer, musical, cross country, basketball and track.

My choice of movies, books, and games: Movies: Pirates of the Caribbean, Stick It, Charlie and The Chocolate Factory and Nightmare Before Christmas. Authors: Stephanie Meyers, Ayn Rand and Truman Capote. Music: My Chemical Romance, Fall Out Boy, Anberlin and Queen. Games: Clue and Cranium (at 3 a.m.)

After I leave Goodland High School I intend to: attend a prestigious university on a full ride academic scholarship.

And 10 years from now, I think I'll be: a household name.

Favorite Quote: "History will be kind to me for I intend to write it." Sir Winston Churchill

"To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift." Steve "Pre" Prefontaine

Name: Ben Waugh

Parents: Scott and Traci Waugh

Grade: Sophomore

Age: 16

We've nominated this student because: He is very conscientious and responsible. He excels in the classroom and is very interested in learning.

Student Comment: I am a complete and utter Geek - I enjoy almost all aspects of school. Remembrances thus far: hanging by the library; six legged octopus; and Karrots, Sallad and Bundt Cakes.

Activities involved in at school: Vocal, band, American

Goodland Elks Lodge 1528
1523 Arcade Ave.
Goodland, Kan. 67735
785-890-6251

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: Royal Rangers Missionettes 6:30 p.m.
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 Diabal
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: 12:30 pm

Word of Life
A Foursquare Church
10th & Clark • 899-5250
Pastor: John Coumerilh
Associate Pastor: Ben Coumerilh
Sunday: Worship Celebration and Kids' Church: 10:30 am
Life Groups - call for times and locations
www.wordoflifegoodland.org

Pleasant Home Church
Serving the rural community for over 100 years
Rt. 1, Box 180 • 694-2807 • 3190 Road 70
Pastor: Charlie Busch
694-2242
Sunday: Worship Service: 9 a.m.
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Evening Service: 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
Pastor: Michael Estep
Fifth & Broadway
890-7368
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Morning Service: 10 a.m.
Evening Service: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO
(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 a.m.

Iglesia Del Dios Vivo
La Luz Del Mundo
Spanish Speaking Church
Minister: Esteban Ortiz B.
1601 Texas • 899-5275
Daily Prayer: Sunday thru Saturday: 5a.m. & 6 p.m.
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 a.m.

United Methodist Church
Brewster:
Pastor: Dorine Chambers
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. CST
Winon:
Minister: Sheryl Johnson
Worship Service: 9 a.m. 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 a.m.
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

Kanorado United Methodist Church
Pastor: Leonard Cox
399-2468
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:15 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene
Pastor: Bob Willis
Third & Caldwell
899-2080 or 899-3797
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Service: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
1116 Sherman 899-3631
Pastor: Rev. Kasey Crosby
Saturday: Worship: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Adult Classes: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Wednesday Nite Live
5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Simple Supper "Free will Offering
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Classes for all ages

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

First Baptist Church
Pastor: Travis Blake
Bateman's Funeral Home, 211 E. 11th
890-3450
Sunday: Sunday School for all ages:
9:30 a.m. (Child care provided)
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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 890-6969

Harvest Evangelical Free Church
104 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-7918
Pastor: Brian Fugleberg
Sunday: Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Youth group meets at 7 p.m.
at Scherlings', 827 Caldwell.

Seventh Day Adventist Church
1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Mike Larson
Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.

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

Church of Christ
401 Caldwell
890-6185
Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 p.m.

The following sponsors urge YOU to attend your chosen House of Worship this Sabbath:

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