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WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"Evidences of Salvation Repentance"

By Pastor Terry Laughlin, CrossRoads Church, Norton

The truths relating to man's acceptance of God's great salvation are reflected through repentance, faith and obedience.

The apostle Paul's prayer for the church in Colosse was, "...That [they] live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way, bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God." (1 Colossians 1:10)

John the Baptist told those who were coming out to be baptized, "Produce fruit in keeping with repentance..." (Luke 3:8) The apostle Paul was obedient to his vision given to him by God. He told the people to "...prove their repentance by their deeds." (Acts 26:20) Jesus said He came to call "...sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:32) The Lord told His disciples that "...repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in His Name to all nations." (Luke 24:47)

In Scripture, repentance is a turning away from sin and turning toward God. It is a change of mind, a forsaking of sin. It is putting sin out of one's thoughts and behavior. The New International Dictionary of the Bible gives this definition. "Repentance is a profound change of mind involving the changing of the direction of life from that of self-centeredness or sin-centeredness to God or Christ-centeredness. God's

forgiveness is available only to those who are repentant, for only they can receive it."

Those who find rest in Christ are those who see sin to be what the Lord hates. They see sin as that which only defiles and brings to ruin everything in their lives, and they see it as the catalyst which destroys commu-

nion with God. They are weary of service to the world, the flesh and the devil.

Walter B. Knight wrote about a Christian worker who was talking to a man about salvation. He asked the man if he believed John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eter-

nal life." Then the Christian asked the man if he believed 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

The man replied, "I believe those verses." The Christian said, "Well, then you are saved." The man then replied, "No, I am not! There is sin within my own heart and mind. I am hugging on to it and I am not willing to give it up. My common sense tells me that I must repent, and utterly forsake it. I have got to stop going my own way and desire to follow God's way."

The Christian then turned the man to Isaiah 55:7, "Let the wicked forsake his ways and the evil man his thoughts. Let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him, for He will freely pardon."

There are three types of people in this world: 1.) Those who do not understand repentance. 2.) Those who understand repentance yet will not forsake their sin, and 3.) Those who have in repentance accepted Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord. They enjoy freedom from the bondage of those sins that desire to destroy them and their relationship with Christ. They live a life worthy of the Gospel they preach.

Which type of person are you?



Our citizens are diverse...representative of all ages, all national descents, all races, religions, and creeds. We are unique, for such a diverse "melting pot" has not been previously known to man. Yet, in all the years since 1776, there has been only one Civil War fought on our soil. Our United States of America is a nation wholly dedicated to the preservation of peace and freedom.

As we celebrate our nation's birthday on the 4th of July, as the outburst of festive fireworks and the refrain of the "Star Spangled Banner" ring in our ears, consider also this historic echo, the foundation on which our nation was built...The Declaration of Independence. Remember the concluding phrase... "and for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance upon the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our Sacred Honor."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Leviticus	Matthew	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MORRIS D. SCHABEN, DECEASED

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS
In the Matter of the Estate of MORRIS D. SCHABEN, Deceased
Case No. 2008-PR-03

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this court by Robert J. Marx, Executor of the Estate of Morris D. Schaben, Deceased, praying that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the court finds the allowances requested for attorneys' fees and expenses and executor's fees are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; the Petitioner by finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of Morris D. Schaben, Deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before July 23, 2008, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Norton, Norton County, Kansas at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

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State of Kansas, Norton County, Kansas, June 27, 2008 as required by K.S.A. 25-209. Notice is hereby given that there will be a Primary Election held in Norton County August 5, 2008.

The voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the regular voting places. And the Modell Twp voters will all vote at the Lenora Community Building, in Lenora. I, Robert D. Wyatt, County Election Officer of Norton County do hereby certify the following named persons for the respective offices indicated below, are entitled to a place on the Official Ballots in the Primary Election to be held in Norton County, August 5, 2008.

PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE
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Jim Slattery, Topeka Democrat
Pat Roberts, Dodge City Republican

For UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 1st DISTRICT
James Bordonaro, Emporia Democrat
Jerry Moran, Hays Republican

For STATE SENATOR 40th DISTRICT
Ralph Ostmeyer Grinnell Republican

For STATE REPRESENTATIVE 120th DISTRICT
Robert G. Streyev, Norcatour Democrat
John M. Faber, Brewster Republican

For DISTRICT JUDGE 17th DISTRICT
William B. Elliott, Hill City Republican

COUNTY OFFICES

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER 2nd District
Carolyn Applegate, Norton Republican

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER 3rd District
John Miller, Norton Republican

For COUNTY CLERK
Robert D. Watt, Norton Republican

For COUNTY TREASURER
Cynthia Joan Linner, Norton Republican

For REGISTER OF DEEDS
Wanda M. Vincent, Norton Republican

For COUNTY ATTORNEY
R. Douglas Sebelius, Norton Republican

For SHERIFF
Troy M. Thomson, Norton Republican
Brent A. Bohl, Norton Republican

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For NORTON, WARD ONE COMMITTEEMAN
Joe E. Ballinger, Norton Republican

For NORTON WARD ONE, COMMITTEEWOMAN
Bernice R. Becker, Norton Republican

For NORTON WARD TWO COMMITTEEMAN
J.C. Berry, Norton Republican

For NORTON WARD TWO COMMITTEEWOMAN
Ruth Lofgreen, Norton Republican

For NORTON WARD THREE COMMITTEEMAN
Curt Archibald, Norton Republican

For NORTON WARD THREE COMMITTEEWOMAN
Norma Archibald, Norton Republican

For ALMENA PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN
Wayne Archer, Almena Republican

For ALMENA PRECINCT COMMITTEEWOMAN
Shari Archer, Almena Republican

For HIGHLAND #1 PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN
Steven L. Berry, Lenora Republican

For HIGHLAND #1 PRECINCT COMMITTEEWOMAN
Joni K. Berry, Lenora Republican

For HIGHLAND #3 PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN
John Miller, Norton Republican
Clarence E. Wetter, Norton Republican

For HIGHLAND #3 PRECINCT COMMITTEEWOMAN
Rebecca C. Wetter, Norton Republican

For CENTER #1 PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN
Jon Lofgreen, Norton Republican

For CENTER #1 PRECINCT COMMITTEEWOMAN
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