

# Make Church a Part of Your Life

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"A Desired Gift"

By Preacher/Teacher Terry L. Laughlin, CrossRoads Ministries

Spiritual Love for the Word of God.

The Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ moved the Apostle Paul to write three powerful exhortations that need to be illuminated in spiritual hearts of Christians. 1 Corinthians 14:1, "Follow the way of love and eagerly desire spiritual gifts, especially the gift of prophecy." 1 Corinthians 14:31, "For you can all prophesy in turn so that everyone may be instructed and encouraged." 1 Thessalonians 5:19-20, "Do not put out the Spirit's fire, do not treat prophecies with contempt." Three key words must be understood and responded to if you are ever going to enjoy God's gift to the Body of Christ. The word "prophecy" and "prophesy" are the same Greek word, (προφητεῖω prophēteúō). As used in 1 Corinthians 14:1 and 31 it means speak with the help of divine inspiration to proclaim what God wants to make known... expounded from the Holy Scriptures. The word, "contempt" (ἐξουθενέω exouthenēō) means "to

make something or someone as of no account, to disregard..." (Analytical Lexicon of the Greek New Testament)

My family and I attended a large church where the preachers knew the Word of God very well,

proclaimed truth and were able to put into writing what the Lord had revealed to them through the written Word of God. However, it was very apparent, for the most part, the congregation had no desire for genuine "prophecy."

While attending a pastors' meeting in February of 2009, I was saddened to hear that all the preachers in attendance spent only 8 hours per week on their messages.

While serving on the theological team for SermonCentral, I came across an article, "Weekly, thousands are searching outside the local church to find deep teachings of God's Word." The fact is 250,000 people log onto SermonCentral monthly. Our website now has messages that have received 11,500 viewings, growing weekly.

Matthew Henry and the churches he oversaw for the Lord enjoyed the gift of "prophesy." He spent 14 hours daily, prayerfully reading, studying and teaching the Word of God. "While millions of pastors have come and gone... most preachers' works have not achieved the respect and usefulness the Matthew Henry Commentaries have accomplished, even to this day." (Encyclopedia Britannica. Eleventh Edition)

Desire the Gift of Prophecy!

## Nowadays Dads



This Fathers' Day, consider some of the qualities of the "new" fathers of today. New fathers not only have a new addition to their family; they share a more hands-on role in parenting than the dads of a previous generation.

Both parents are truly dedicated to bringing their child into the world... gone are the days of dad pacing the floor in the waiting room. He is right there in the delivery room, the greatest coach ever! Sleep deprived dads share in the day to day duties of new parenting - getting up in the middle of the night, changing diapers, feeding baby.

Today's dads are no better than yesterday's dads, the duties and responsibilities have simply changed along with the culture. As you worship with your family this Father's Day, remember your own special dad, and thank your Father in Heaven for him!

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| Sunday<br>Hebrews<br>7.11-28 | Monday<br>Hebrews<br>8.1-13 | Tuesday<br>Hebrews<br>9.1-22 | Wednesday<br>Hebrews<br>9.23-10.18 | Thursday<br>Hebrews<br>10.19-39 | Friday<br>Genesis<br>9.1-17 | Saturday<br>Genesis<br>15.1-21 |
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### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN KEISWETTER

Published in The Norton Telegram on Friday, June 11, 18, 25, 2010.

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS**  
In the Matter of the Estate of HELEN KEISWETTER, Deceased No. 2010-PR-19

**NOTICE**  
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:  
You are hereby notified that on June 7, 2010, upon hearing of a Petition for Letters of Administrator filed by

Ronald Keiswetter, he was appointed administrator of the estate of Helen Keiswetter, deceased, and issued Letters of Administration without bond.

Ronald Keiswetter, Administrator  
Submitted by:  
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WHITNEY LAW OFFICE  
112 S. Kansas, P. O. Box 208  
Norton, KS 67654-0208  
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Attorney for the Administrator

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS**  
In the Matter of the Estate of FLORA DENE GRABHORN, deceased a/k/a

FLORA DEAN GRABHORN, deceased Case No. 2010-PR-21  
**NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:  
You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of June, 2010, a Petition for Appointment of Administrator and Issuance of Letters of Administration has been filed in this Court by Dennis D. Paden and Cheryl L. Bates, as heirs of Flora Dean Grabhorn, deceased praying for the appointment of said Dennis D. Paden and Cheryl L. Bates as Co-Administrators of the estate and for Issuance of Letters of Administration under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, K.S.A. 59-3201, et. seq.; further,

you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 6th day of July, 2010, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Norton, in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Dennis D. Paden and Cheryl L. Bates, Petitioners  
John F. McClymont, #09379  
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