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From Pastor Bruce

We are fortunate to have a bishop who is committed to ongoing study and reflection, to this end I commend to you the following which is a portion of his monthly online Bible study, which can be found on the Northwestern MN website. The theme is doubt and faith.

Grace and peace, *Pastor Bruce*

Bishop Larry writes: In her wonderful new book, ***Outlaw Christian: Finding Authentic Faith by Breaking the “Rules,”*** author Jacqueline A. Bussie of Concordia College, Moorhead, lists and responds to six unwritten rules or “laws” that many North American Christians simply take for granted. Law #3 reads as follows: *Don’t doubt. Doubt is faith’s opposite, and is therefore sinful.*

Many of us have tacitly absorbed Law #3. It may or may not have been taught to us, explicitly, in Sunday School or confirmation class—but we have acquired this “law” with our mother’s milk. And it is killing us. That’s why we need to realize that Law #3 simply is not true. How do we know that? The Bible tells us so—again, and again, and again.

Doubt Can Be Good for the Life of Faith

Although I commend to you the entire third chapter of *Outlaw Christian*, I want to close this Bible study with Dr. Bussie’s six reasons why doubt is actually good for the life of faith:

1. Doubt Acknowledges Ambiguity:

“Ambiguity...means...’having multiple meanings or interpretations, being uncertain and difficult to comprehend.’...For example the sun, which feels so magnificent as it caresses your face, gives you cancer while doing so. Our beautiful country, which was built on the backs of slaves, exalts freedom....The people who love us best also hurt us the most.”

2. Doubt Admits Paradox as the Truth About the World:

“What is to be done with a world as wrecked and redeemed as this one? Each story—the gospel’s promises and CBS News’ sadness—makes us doubt the truth of the other. But the outlaw Christian holds on to the truth of both, refusing to choose between them. It’s not an either/or, but a both/and.”

3. Doubt Signals Authenticity:

“To have doubt means to understand God rightly—that is, as the divine Infinite and Complete who can never fully be understood by the finite, incomplete human person....”

4. Doubt Breeds Creativity and Openness:

“People who doubt are seekers. Certainty’s pitfall is that it can close us off from the views of other people, sometimes even to

the point of being unable to listen to them....Outlaw Christians live by two important truths: (1) Understanding and agreement are not the same thing. I can understand you even though I disagree with you, even though the law of our culture teaches us that this is impossible. And (2) because I am a broken person, my views and my actions may very well be wrong.”

5. Doubt Builds Community and Interconnectedness:

“Doubt...says, ‘I do not know everything. You hold insights I need. God and you both have things you have not yet shown me, but maybe someday will if I am lucky and listen closely enough.’”

6. Doubt Drives Activism:

“The opposite of doubt is not faith but resignation and its favorite cloak, passivity. People who accept the status quo are those who do not doubt that everything in the world is just as it should be....People who doubt, on the other hand, ask tough questions of themselves and of people in power, and these questions drive their activism.”

Coffee and Cookie Servers



August 7	Mavis Wang	September 4	Kathy Krogstad
August 14	Barb Grover	September 11	Barb Grover
August 21	Myron Hagene	September 18	Lloyd Gunderson
August 28	Regina Hanson	September 25	Sue Kassenborg



BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, August 3

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Concordia Ladies



Date: Tuesday, August 9

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Fryn' Pan

Join the ROMEOs!

Retired Old Men Eating Out

7:30 a.m. Friday, August 26 - Fryn' Pan





If you know of someone who is in the hospital or would like a home visit please let me know. I can be reached at 218-329-2245.

Thank you! *Pastor Bruce*

Ice Cream Social

August 21

Following services



Stone Church Sesquicentennial

August 28, 2016

The Sesquicentennial Celebration for the Stone Church in Houston MN is soon upon us. If you are planning to attend, and would like to spend Saturday on a tour that includes the church and your family farms, email news@concordianews.org.

In order to prepare, our hosts would like to receive a list of farms in advance.

Kid's Corner will return with new stories in September.

Burton Grover

1932-2016

Burton Grover, age 83, died June 25, 2016 at Highgate Senior Living, his home since 2013. Burt is survived by his wife of 56 years, Cathy Grover; his children Dan, Steve, Matt (Tom) Grover, Beth (Antonio); and grandchildren Sarah and Andrea Duato-Grover.



Burt was born November 14, 1932 in Breckenridge MN and moved to Glyndon in 1943 when his father took over the family farm. He attended St. Olaf University and the University of Minnesota where he earned a PhD in statistics. He met his wife Cathy when they were both teaching high school outside of Minneapolis. They married on June 18, 1960 and later moved to Manitowoc, Wisconsin where they had all four of their children. They moved to Bellingham, Washington in 1969 when Burt took a job as an education professor at Western Washington University. He retired from WWU in 1994.

Burt was very active throughout his life. He coached high school wrestling, basketball and football early in his teaching

career. He was an avid runner and handball player. He enjoyed playing bridge, attending the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, opera, reading, and developing a comprehensive genealogy of the Grover family. In his retirement, Burt and Cathy traveled extensively, with many trips throughout the United States and to Europe, Asia, South America and Mexico to visit their grandchildren. He was able to celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary with Cathy and children in Kona, Hawaii in 2010. Burt was a steady, guiding light for his family, and he will be missed. A memorial service will be held on Saturday August 13 in Bellingham. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the WWU Lutheran Campus Ministry, 1720 Harris Ave., Bellingham WA 98225:

www.lutherancampusministrywwu.com

Joshua Vold Lamken

1969-2016

Joshua Paul Vold Lamken died on June 2. He was born in 1969 in Moorhead to Pastor Joe and Marilyn Vold while Joe served Concordia-Scandia. He had a triumphant faith in Jesus his Savior for the 27 years he knew he had cancer.

Announcements & Assignments

Celebrating his life at a memorial service at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Lombard, Illinois, on July 9th were friends and family including son Tilo, daughters Lena Brandis and Andrea, mother Marilyn and her husband Dick, brothers Jonathan Vold and Daniel Vold Lamken, and sister Anne Potter, plus a host of other relatives.

Jon's email address is javold@aol.com Dan's is danlamken@yahoo.com, and Marilyn can be reached at jaeger@tds.net

We remember Joshua & extend the condolences of the entire community to his family.



Pastor Joe Vold and Marilyn's children:
Anne, Jonathan, Daniel and Josh

Bacon & Cheddar Deviled Eggs



Ingredients

12 eggs	½ cup mayonnaise
4 slices of bacon	2 TB finely chopped cheddar cheese
1 TB mustard	Salt & Pepper
Paprika	

Directions

- Place eggs in saucepan, cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil and remove from heat. Let eggs stand in boiling/hot water for 10-12 minutes. Remove from water and cool.
- Fry bacon in medium skillet until evenly brown. Crumble and set aside.
- Peel eggs and slice in half. Place yolks in a medium bowl. Mash with bacon, mayonnaise, cheese and mustard. Salt and pepper to taste
- Fill egg white halves and sprinkle with paprika
- Refrigerate before serving

Donations

Concordia Cemetery Fund

In Memory of the Partyke Family

Paul & Jenifer Partyke

In Memory of Allard & Josephine Bergland

Allan & LuAnn Bergland

In Memory of Doris Gunderson

Dean Gunderson

In Memory of Emmett Gunderson

Dean Gunderson

In Memory of Burton Grover

Steve & Alene Sladky

In Memory of Sid Snartland

Ronald & Brenda Snartland Chris Anderson

Dick & Mavis Wang

Gordon & Sue Kassenborg

Regina Hanson

Bill & Donna Buckner

Delores & Gerald Hagene

Ray & JoLyn Johnson

Allan & Myrna Johnson

Donald Johnson

Donations cont'd.

In Memory of Sid Snartland (cont'd)

Lloyd Gunderson

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

In Memory of the Gorder Family

Gloria (Gorder) Tomas

Donation

James Power

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In Memory of Burton Grover

Steve & Alene Sladky



From The Moorhead Daily News

August 28, 1945

Notice of Final Hearing



How many names do you recognize?

Notice Is Hereby Given, that a petition has been filed in the office of the County Auditor, praying for the construction of a public ditch, designated and numbered as County Ditch No. 49, beginning at Sections 17 and 20 in the Town of Morken in the County of Clay; thence running along the following route: Between said Sections 17 and 20 and Sections 18 and 19 in said Town of Morken and Sections 13 and 24, 14 and 23, and part of 15 and 22 in Kragnes where same will empty into the Buffalo River in the Township of Kragnes... and that the names of the owners of the lands and the names of the Municipal and other corporations that will be affected by the construction of said ditch are as follows, to-wit: ... Bessie and Roger T. Bacon; T. W. Thordarson; Hiram R. Gray; Henry and Delia A. Olson; August B. Peterson; M. B. Johnson; Arthur I. Kragnes; Andrew E. Nelson; Edna E. Juve; Emanuel A. and Louise A. Kragnes; Alexander Morken; Gilbert A, Kragnes; Alfred H. Hillrud; Henry A. Hendrikson; Lloyd A. Eidem; Doris Eidem; Bernhard A. Kragnes; Alvin O. Kragnes; Adeline V. Askelson; Olive J. Brantner;

Bits and Pieces

Lucella E. M. Kragnes; Lloyd G. Kragnes; Bernhard. B. Kragnes; Susie Shermoen; Osabel O. Nilles; W. T. Lee; Albert G. Seigert; Luella H. Seigert; Alfreda Berg; Albert Berg Jr.; Bertha W. Mattson; Allen Whitfield; Ole Espeland; Julia Morken; Gina Tosterude; George Klokseth; Minnie Tiedeman; Cora Kragnes; Obert M. Morken; Henry L. Morken; Marie Oberg; Eva M. Jenkins; Nettie Oberg; Gilbert O. Cosen; June Aggerholm; M. F. Williams; Melvin Tufton; Howard Brendemuhl; Martin Oberg; Gudmund Oberg; Ray Brendemuhl; Edwin J. Grinde; Byron G. Allen; and Elsa A. Allen....

Ole was overweight, so his doctor put him on a diet.

The doctor said, "I want you to eat regularly for 2 days, then skip a day, and repeat this procedure for 2 weeks. The next time I see you, you should have lost at least 5 pounds."

When Ole returned, he shocked the doctor by having lost nearly 30 lbs! "Why, that's amazing!" the doctor said, 'Did you follow my instructions?'

Ole nodded..... "I'll tell you though, I thought I vuz gonna drop dead on dat 3rd day from all dat skippin."



Dates to Remember

Worship Services every Sunday

Coffee Hour: 9 a.m. Worship: 10 a.m.

Communion 1st Sunday of the month

Bible Study 5:30 p.m., Wednesday August 3

Concordia Ladies 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 9

Ice Cream Social Sunday, August 21 following services

ROMEOs 7:30 a.m., Friday, August 26

Stone Church Sesquicentennial Sunday, August 28

Birthdays

August 4 Diane Murr

August 10 Bill Farabee

August 11 Sue Sip

Ron Horpedahl

August 17 Carolyn Edwards

August 23 Margaret Kragnes

August 27 Donald Johnson

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