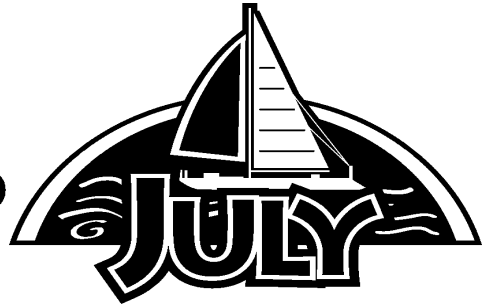


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The Word teaches that without faith it is impossible to please God. It is by faith that we believe that God is and that He rewards them that seek Him. While studying recently, I understood an aspect of faith that I had never understood. When God was preparing to create, He was doing it by faith, for anything that hasn't manifested into the natural is by faith. The principle was laid down that would guide humanity to God in all phases of life—the principle of faith. The Hebrew writer stated that by faith and a whole chapter evolves stating man's accomplishments through his faith in God. The principle hasn't changed, we have. Man has learned how to apply this principle toward himself rather than God, and consequently distanced himself from our Maker. If this is the case, how can we cause a resurgence of faith toward our Lord? The application of faith should be practiced when we are not under pressure, known as pressure praying or believing. I believe this allows the above mentioned to become a way of life. Start believing for small things such as a parking spot in a congested parking lot. The Lord wants us to call on Him even for the little things in life. The small faith steps prepare us for the monumental leaps in life. Exercise your faith.

Pastor George Ferrington

PROPHET

The ministry of the Prophet is the most misused and abused Five-Fold ministry office in our day. It is easy to say "I am a Prophet"; most will not disagree, much less try the spirit to get a confirmation. If the false prophet of today had the same judgment as the Old Testament Prophets, the office would not be so misused; in Old Testament times if the Prophet was wrong one time, he was

stoned to death.

The Prophet's ministry is to expose disobedience. The Prophet is seer, one that sees the past, present and future in the spirit. He will have dreams and visions, which are from God, concerning the Body of Christ and individuals. Exposing disobedience is not merely pointing out disobedience, but also showing a method of change that is from God; a person that does not offer a biblical method of change when pointing out disobedience is out of order (let he who is without sin cast the first stone, so put your stones down).

The Prophet's ministry is also to give direction to the Church and to individuals. The Spirit of God will reveal matters that are to be dealt with to the Prophet, but only after the Church or person has closed themselves off to the wooing of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a gentleman; he always goes to the problem first, then if the Church or person does not correct the problem He will reveal it to the Prophet.

The ministry of the Prophet is one of confirming. He will be used to confirm what God wants done in a Church or person. He does not give directions on his own; it is only under the unction of the Holy Spirit. Then he will be as sure as possible before doing so; he is speaking for God and he is very conscious of his responsibility.

There are many in the Body of Christ today that call themselves Prophets who are seers and some who are only after the prestige they think the office will bring them. A person can be a seer and not be a Prophet; but very seldom, if ever, will a Prophet not be a seer. The scripture tells us that young men will see visions and old men will have dreams, these are the seers.

Many of those who are after the prestige pick up on the fruits in a person's life and use the fruits to issue a "word from God." This is an abomination to God and an affront to the office of the Prophet. Any one who comes by and calls himself a Prophet that only tears down by pointing out what is wrong is out of order. Most people know what is wrong; many do not have the boldness to do anything about it; because a person points out the obvious does not mean he is a Prophet.

Jeremiah 1:10, "**See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to build, and to throw down, and to throw down, and to build, and to plant.**"

The Prophet's ministry is to root out untruth, to pull down false teachings and destroy evil foundations; then to throw down a foundation of truth and to build upon that foundation. He is to plant visions and prophecy, they are the goals for the future; this is planting a seed that can grow into God's perfect plan for the Body of Christ. Dreams and visions are to be written down so that we can review them when necessary and always to run with them.

Paul worked in the office of a Prophet concerning the Corinthian Church. There was a man having an affair with his stepmother. Paul exposed the sin (disobedience) and instructed them to remove him from the body. Later, Paul exposed the church's disobedience in not letting the man back into the church after he had repented.

The Prophet will usually work strongly in the word of knowledge, the word of wisdom and the discerning of spirits.

ORDER: The Prophets ministry is to **set thy house in order**; he will place a person and/or the Body of Christ in order; not in a harsh demeaning way but in a loving, tenderhearted way. The order is not always correction; many times it will be to give direction to the Church, especially in a Church that is in tune with the Spirit of God and being disobedient.

Prophets can be rovers or they can be assigned to a local body.

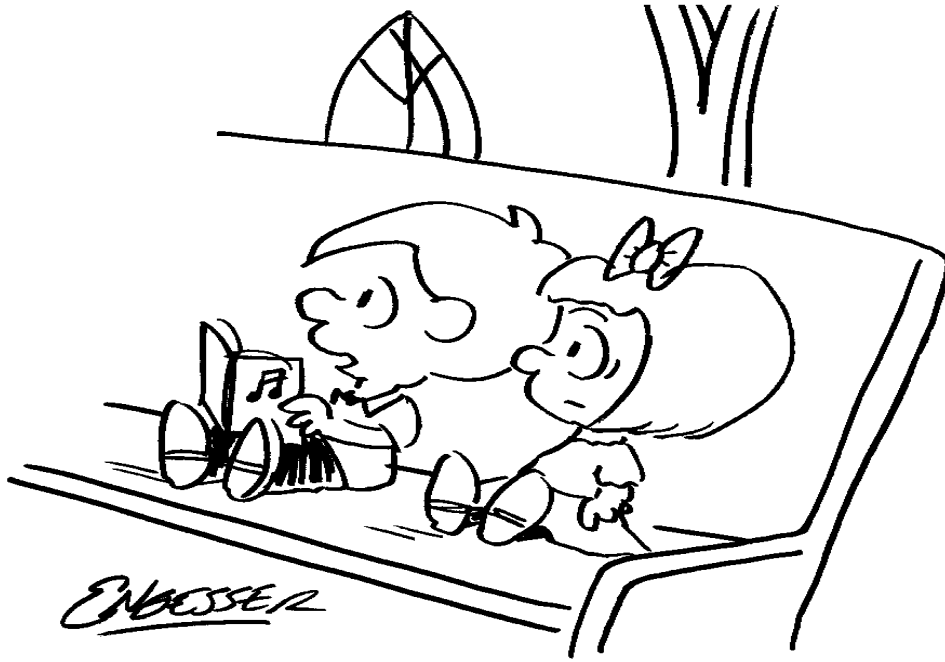
May the blessings of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob be yours"

Your Servant, Ray Jennings

**"I am
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true
vine ..."**

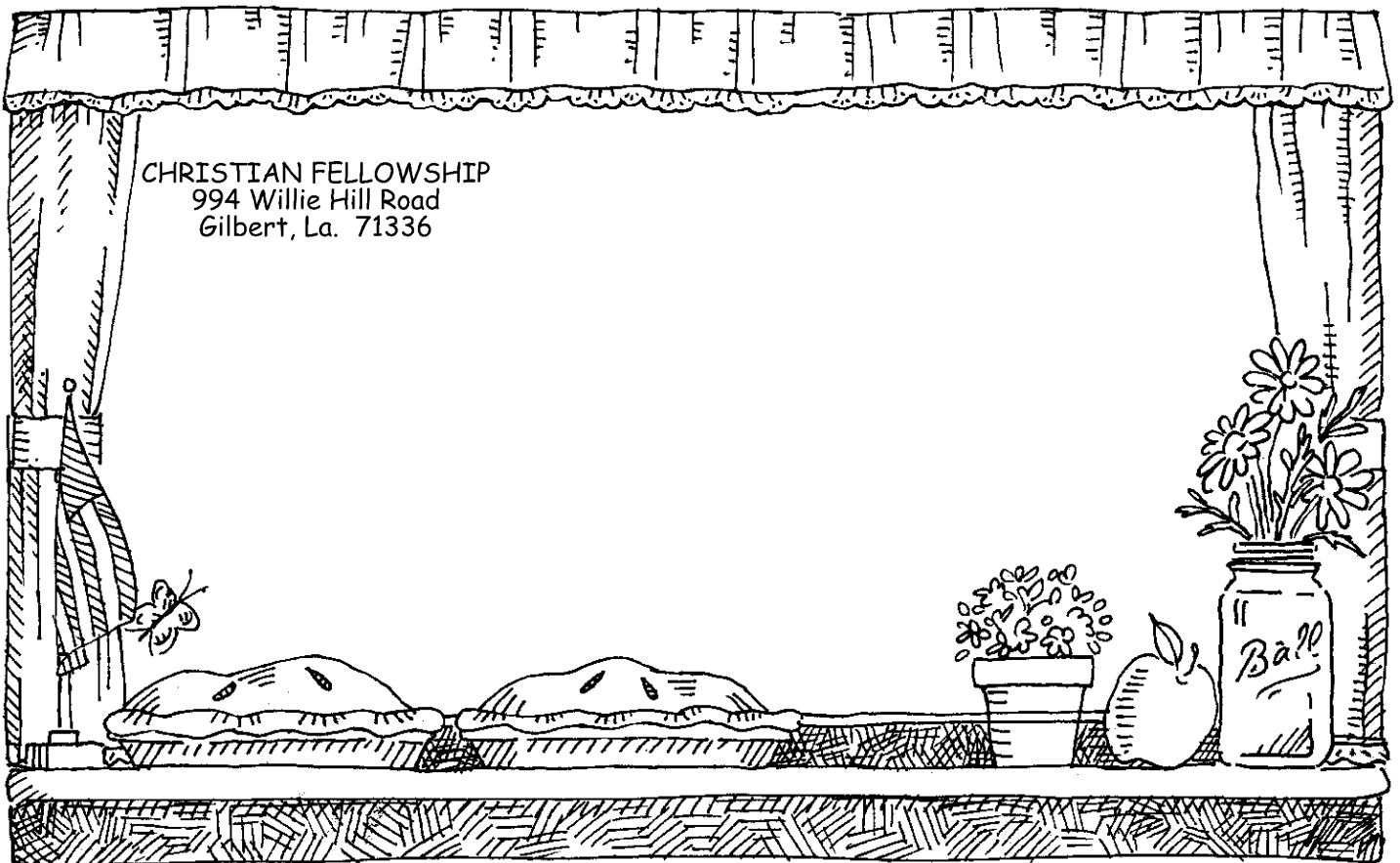


John 15:1



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"Dad's 'Joy, joy, joy, joy down in his heart' turned out to be indigestion."



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