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PROGRAM TOPIC
GOD MEANT IT FOR HER

FORMAT

OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCE GUEST

LOVE AND LIGHT, I'M REV. PHIL AND I'M YOUR HOST FOR "WORDS OF THE PROPHETS". YOU ARE LISTENING TO THIS SHOW ON KSFR, 90.7 FM, SANTA FE'S ONE AND ONLY COMMUNITY PUBLIC RADIO STATION. THIS SHOW'S FORMAT CONSISTS OF A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES IN ALL ASPECTS OF OUR LIVES. NORMALLY, YOU, THE LISTENING AUDIENCE, ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS DISCUSSION. HOWEVER, THAT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TODAY SINCE THIS SHOW HAS BEEN PRERECORDED. THIS MORNING MY GUESTS ARE REV. TALITHA ARNOLD, PASTOR OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF SANTA FE, RABBI MALKA DRUCKER, SPIRITUAL LEADER OF HAMAKUM CONGREGATION, AND BIBIJI INDERJIT KAUR, CHIEF RELIGIOUS MINISTER OF THE SIKH DHARMA OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE. TODAY'S TOPIC IS "GOD MEANT IT FOR HER". THIS PHRASE IS BY NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE AND COMES FROM HIS "A BLITHDALE ROMANCE". THE PHRASE IS CONTAINED IN A PARAGRAPH WHICH IS QUOTED BY RABBI DRUCKER IN THE INTRODUCTION TO HER BOOK "WHITE FIRE". THE PARAGRAPH READS AS FOLLOWS: "I HAVE NEVER FOUND IT POSSIBLE TO SUFFER A BEARDED PRIEST SO NEAR MY HEART AND

CONSCIENCE AS TO DO ME ANY SPIRITUAL GOOD. I BLUSH AT THE VERY THOUGHT! OH, IN THE BETTER ORDER OF THINGS, HEAVEN GRANT THAT THE MINISTRY OF SOULS MAY BE LEFT IN CHARGE OF WOMEN! THE GATES OF THE BLESSED CITY WILL BE THROGGED WITH THE MULTITUDE THAT ENTER IN, WHEN THAT DAY COMES! THE TASK BELONGS TO WOMAN. GOD MEANT IT FOR HER. I HAVE ALWAYS ENVIED THE CATHOLICS THEIR FAITH IN THAT SWEET, SACRED VIRGIN MOTHER, WHO STANDS BETWEEN THEM AND THE DEITY, INTERCEPTING SOMEWHAT OF HIS AWFUL SPLENDOR, BUT PERMITTING HIS LOVE TO STREAM UPON THE WORSHIPPER MORE INTELLIGIBLY TO HUMAN COMPREHENSION THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF A WOMAN'S TENDERNESS."

BEFORE WE GET STARTED WITH OUR DISCUSSION LET ME REMIND YOU THAT THIS SHOW HAS BEEN PRERECORDED, THEREFORE, WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE YOUR PHONE CALLS THIS MORNING.

- 1. INDIVIDUAL INTRODUCTIONS & BRIEF BIO**
- 2. HOW DOES BEING A WOMAN IMPACT YOUR ROLE AS A SPIRITUAL LEADER?**
- 3. WHAT DIFFICULTIES DID BEING A WOMAN CREATE IN WALKING YOUR CHOSEN PATH?**
- 4. WHAT, IF ANY DIFFERENCES, DO YOU PERCEIVE BETWEEN THE GENDERS AS IT RELATES TO BEING A SPIRITUAL LEADER?**

5. HOW WILL THE EVER GROWING NUMBERS OF FEMALE SPIRITUAL LEADERS IMPACT THE WAYS OF THE WORLD?