

OPINION

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When you wake up in the mornings to face your day is God in your thoughts? Thoughts are powerful and needful in daily living and functioning in the earth. We live in a dusty frame shaped by the creation of God's design and God breathed! Amen! Psalm 103:14 For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

15 As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

16 For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting

ENCOURAGEMENT THAT TAKES YOU HIGHER Wondering Thoughts

to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

18 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

The giver of life to all and the gift of living and walking and breathing is quite a miracle of vast creativity that is unique in the marking of every human's authentic fingerprints which are fearfully and wonderfully made as the scripture declares in Psalm 139:14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.KJV. The very thoughts of David, the

sweet psalmist of Israel is focused heavenward as His records His praises and gratitude for the goodness of God and His wisdom held within the dusty frame of His vast creation. Friend, only God the giver of life can empower man with the glorious outpouring of blessed wisdom and knowledge whereby humanity must be saved by the shed blood of Jesus Christ. What a marvelous miracle of Calvary where the thoughts of Jesus Christ span the wealth of time and space as He focused on all humanity and future generations in need of God's promised redemption of the messiah. The very Son of God had you on His mind which was a salvation plan of His Father's holy command that none would per-

ish without His saving power. What a common wealth we have in the word of the living God to think thoughts of Christ redeeming power of vicious provision to live in a fallen world of troublesome turmoil with the hope of heaven celestial help and wise biblical instructions and radiant liberties! The cost of

Christ was great and we are the wealthy recipients of his obedience to his death on the cross. The true power of thought in our finite minds is the miracle of Jesus Christ in us the hope of glory.

Every day we choose our thought process and it is wise to think upon God and His Son Jesus Christ and the powerful Holy Spirit as they alone are the living hope for all humanity! God wants

our thoughts upon him daily. Isaiah 26:3Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. KJV.

The mind is a powerful thing and it's wise to feed the healthiness of the word of God and experience a powerful Christian lifestyle of devoted service living and thriving in the presence of God where thoughts are shaped in the infinite mind of Jesus Christ in reverential fear and holiness. Friend, it's true there is really no real life outside of Jesus Christ and His recorded, Holy

Word. It is not just a belief it is a fulfilled life of Kingdom Identity Reality in real time. Try it for yourself and see it is free for the choosing and free for the taking. Choose Salvation today and escape Hell below.

I encourage you to embrace the Father's love and allow Him to set your mind and heart free with eternal truths that sustain a heart in all the troubled challenges of daily living. God thoughts are truly out of this world and peaceful indeed! Just read the Word and you will see.



Verse of the Week

Malachi 3:18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not. KJV.

BREAD OF LIFE

II Corinthians 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ as though God did beseech you by us. We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. If you have made Jesus Christ the Lord of your life then you have been sent to act as a representative for Him in this world. An ambassador of another nation represents the interest of that nation. We, as Born Again Believers represent the Kingdom of God and look after the interest of the Kingdom of God. Everywhere we go we are representing the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. That may sound like a tall order but it's actually a high honor. God has equipped us to do it. He's given us His name and the power of His word. He's even put His very own spirit inside of the Born Again Believer and given us the ability to hear and obey the direction of the Holy Spirit. We are living in a time that it's so important for the army of

light to begin to grow. It's no time to be half consecrated and half dedicated, this is the time to go all the way with God. To give him your whole life and if you'll do that, He will give you anointing and power, glory and goodness so you can shine for Him. Philippians 2:15 says as lights in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, we need to begin to think of ourselves today as ambassadors of the Almighty God. And to let the interest of His kingdom be foremost in our minds and hearts. We need to submit ourselves to God and say "Lord, show me how to be your representative in everything I do". God wants us to be in tune with His spirit, so that we're able to feel His heart of compassion toward those around us. So He can reach out through our hands and fulfill His purposes in the Earth.

TRUST, BELIEVE & OBEY GOD'S WORD

Extension News

NICHOLAS COUNTY 4-H GOES PAPERLESS FOR NEW PROGRAM YEAR

By: Ashley H. Vice, Nicholas County Extension Agent for 4-H/FCS

While 4-H Camp may be one of our most well-known and loved experiences, 4-H is so much more than just camp, with opportunities for youth to learn, lead, serve, compete, and discover new interests all year long. As summer winds down and a new school year gets underway, it is also time to kick off a brand-new year of Nicholas County 4-H! The new 4-H program year officially begins September 1, and this year families will notice an important change in the enrollment process.

Nicholas County 4-H is going paperless!

Beginning September 1, Nicholas County 4-H will no longer accept paper enrollment forms for youth participating in 4-H clubs. Instead, all new and returning 4-H members participating in clubs must enroll through 4-H Online.

The move to online enrollment will help streamline the registration process while allowing families to keep their child's information up to date in one convenient location. Parents and guardians will be able to complete enrollment from a computer, tablet or smartphone without having to return a paper form to the Extension Office. But, if you need technical assistance we are here to help! Simply stop by our office and we can walk you through the process.

Enrollment Opens September 1

Families should remember that they will not be able to enroll for the new program year until September 1.

Once enrollment opens, families can visit 4honline.com to get started.

For families who are new to 4-H, visit 4-H Online and select "New Enrollment." You will then select Kentucky, choose Nicholas County to locate our local 4-H program, and follow the steps to create your account and enroll your child.

For returning 4-H members, there is no

need to create an entirely new account. Visit 4-H Online and select "Re-Enrollment." Use the email address associated with your family's existing 4-H Online account to log in. If you do not remember your password, select "Reset Password?" Once logged in, review and update your child's information and complete the enrollment process for the new year.

It is important to remember that 4-H enrollment must be completed every year, even if your child has participated in 4-H for several years.

A New Year of Opportunities

Completing enrollment is the first step toward another exciting year with Nicholas County 4-H. Throughout the year, youth have opportunities to learn new skills, discover interests, build friendships and develop leadership skills through hands-on experiences.

Whether your child is interested in cooking, sewing, gardening, livestock, shooting sports, photography, horses, the outdoors, leadership or simply trying something new, there is a place for them in 4-H.

And 4-H is about much more than attending a monthly club meeting. Members have opportunities throughout the year to participate in workshops, community service projects, competitions, special events, trips, county and state activities, and, of course,

4-H Camp.

One of the greatest things about 4-H is that youth can make their experience their own. They can start with one club or activity that interests them and discover new opportunities along the way.

New Members Are Always Welcome

You do not have to come from a farm, own an animal or have previous 4-H experience to participate. 4-H is for everyone, and we encourage families who have never participated before to give it a try this year.

Parents of returning members should also remember that last year's enrollment does not automatically carry over into the new program year. Every member must complete the online enrollment process again beginning September 1.

We know that moving from a familiar paper form to an online system may come with questions, especially during the first year of the transition. The Nicholas County Extension Office is happy to help families who need assistance completing the process.

Our goal is to make enrollment as simple as possible so we can get to the best part—another year of learning, growing, making memories and having fun through Nicholas County 4-H.

Mark your calendars for September 1 and get ready for another great year of Nicholas County 4-H!

NOTICE

The Nicholas County Convenience Center will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance3 of Labor Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th.

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The Nicholas County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th.

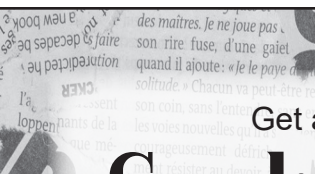
For questions or assistance with enrollment, contact the Nicholas County Cooperative Extension Office at 859-289-2312.

Enroll beginning September 1 at 4honline.com. Remember clubs fill fast so don't delay completing your child's enrollment.

2026-27 Club Opportunities

- Ages 5-8 years old:
 - Cloverbuds
- Ages 9-18 years old
 - 4-H Sewing Club
 - 4-H Cooking Club
 - 4-H Livestock Club
 - 4-H Shooting Sports Club
 - 4-H Horse Club
 - 4-H Buzz and Bloom Club
 - 4-H Photography Club
- Middle and High School Specific
 - 4-H Teen Club

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