



America's Heartland

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The talk down at the beauty salon the other day turned to marriage, prompting one of the older ladies to tell a room filled with women that husbands are like fish.

"What do you mean by that," someone asked.

"Well, women are always talking about the one that got away and complaining about the one they caught."

I heard that old joke on Hee Haw, the TV show that a generation of Americans grew up on. You know Hee Haw was in production for something like 22 years and its still airs daily in reruns. People seem to fancy the happy, upbeat tone of the show, the corny jokes

What would grandparents think of today's TV shows?

and the country music. Who could ever forget Buck Owens and Roy Clark picking and grinning?

Back in the day, families loved to gather around the TV to listen to Archie Campbell or Minnie Pearl unwind a yard, hear a news broadcast from the anchor of KORN, or hear Grandpa tell everyone what's for supper.

Have you noticed just how much TV has changed since the days of Hee Haw, The Andy Griffith Show, Leave it to Beaver, Father Knows Best and the like. Our sainted grandparents who have graduated to heaven would be shocked if they could see the blood and gore that makes up so many of the dramas airing on prime time today or the sexual content of modern-day sitcoms. Why, they'd likely throw their TV sets out the window if they were exposed to what many folks are watching these days.

We as a society have gradually grown accustomed to the change. It's happened slowly, a degree at a time. And now, many folks have become acclimated to TV shows that are radically different than those their grandparents watched.

The Bible gives fair warning that we should beware of the cultural influences, telling us that our view of right and wrong can be shaped by what we see and hear. For example, in Colossians 2:8, the Bible says, "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

In other words, there are people with impure motives working to deceive us into believing wrong is right and right is wrong.

And in Romans 12:2 we're told, "Do not be conformed to the world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

A phrase that comes from the world of computer programming says, "Garbage in, garbage out," meaning that a computer is only as good as the information plugged into it. That's holds true for people, too.

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Are You Rapture Ready?

Sunday, May 30th, 2020 Morning Message
Bro. Warren Rogers, Ivory Hill Baptist Church

Reference Revelation 4:1-11 (below):

In Revelation 1:19 John was told to, "Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter."

The word 'church' is used 19 times in chapters 2 & 3, but starting with chapter 4, is not mentioned again until chapter 19 where the church returns with Christ to earth at the battle of Armageddon. When chapter 4 starts, the church has been raptured away. This is the next event on God's time table.

There are four reasons for pre-tribulation rapture: (1) not one time is the church mentioned in a Bible text discussing tribulation, (2) Paul's writings never mention the church in connection with the tribulation, (3) Revelation 19 pictures the church in Heaven during the tribulation, and (4) the coming of Christ for His saints is always pictured as sudden and unexpected.

When the Bible says 'the twinkling of an eye,' it is a millisecond. When the rapture occurs, there will be no time to get saved. If you are a Christian and not living for the Lord there will be no time to make it right. You will be ashamed when Jesus comes. There will comments like: 'Wait, Lord I want to win a soul for you,' and 'Wait, Lord I need to pay my tithes,' or 'I need to ask forgiveness from someone.' And just maybe you have lit a cigarette and you have just taken your first puff, 'Wait Lord, I need to put this thing out,' while blowing smoke in his face.

The message of the rapture is, 'Be ready, do it now, for the Lord could come any minute.'

What will happen to you at the rapture?

Will you be right with God or left behind?

What you do with Jesus that will determine what Jesus will do with you then

Are you rapture ready?

2 Timothy 4:6-8, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: ¹⁷Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

Friends if you find you are not ready, please call me if you need to give your heart and soul to Jesus Christ or if you need help in rededicating your life, 606-481-0444

Your servant in Christ,
Bro. Warren Rogers

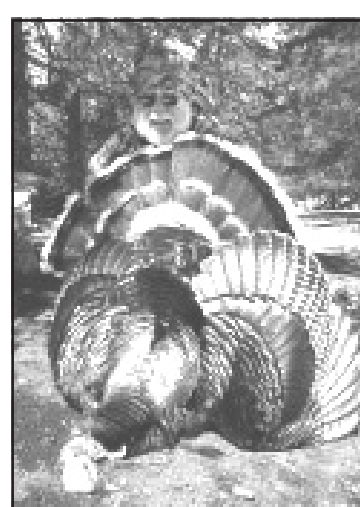
Revelation 4:1-11:

The Throne in Heaven

¹After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. ²And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. ³And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. ⁴And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Worship of the Creator

⁵And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. ⁶And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. ⁷And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. ⁸And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. ⁹And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, ¹⁰The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ¹¹Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.



Just Hunting

by Steve Brewer

It was a beautiful day, as the dawn broke this morning. The fog was heavy, and you could hear the gray squirrels as they scurried along to find their breakfast. Problem was seeing one. But keep in mind what I have told you, since starting this column, hunting is about attempting to take food for your table, not actually getting it done. I hope you are taking some child hunting with a 22 this season, and teaching them what hunting

is all about.

As on this writing, I have received no stories from Estill County, about going spring squirrel hunting. When I was a child growing up in the southern part of this state, spring squirrel season was the time we really enjoyed the outdoors. It was also the season that filled the gap from rabbit season until groundhog season. Now, I know there is no closed season on groundhogs, but try to hunt them in the winter, it just don't happen. Another lesson in life, if you don't use it, you will lose it.

I have received a few complaints of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife officers, being overzealous in their duties during turkey season. Enough said until I have the time to check out the stories. I always remember, there is their side, your side, and somewhere in the middle is the truth. Be safe hunting, and we will talk later.

You can email Steve Brewer at <News@EstillTribune.com> and we will forward message.

Kiwanis Park Baseball/Softball Update

This is to inform everyone that did sign up to play ball this year at the Kiwanis Park. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions placed on youth sports in Kentucky, we have decided not to have summer Baseball/Softball at the Kiwanis Park in Ravenna. The guidelines set forth would be too hard to regulate and the liability would be too high. We regret not being able to have a summer league and are looking into having something in the Fall if we can work it out with other sports that play in the Fall. Details will be made public when we decide.

--- REFUNDS ---

So everyone knows, the Kiwanis Park is an in-

dependent park and does not receive government funding. With this in mind, several people have said they would like to donate their child's fee to help maintain the park. We appreciate the generosity of those that are going to. This is a very challenging time for everyone, and we understand the financial impact this may have had on many people so we are not pressuring anyone to donate. If you want to donate your child's fee just send a text to 859-893-3344 and let us know. We will be giving out refunds this Thursday and Friday, June 4th and 5th at the Kiwanis Park in Ravenna from 6:00-8:00 each evening. We will be located at the building at the entrance to the park so you will not have to get out of your vehicle.

2020 Corn Festival Is Cancelled

STANTON, KY - Due to the broad public health concerns of the COVID-19 crisis, the 2020 Corn Festival has been canceled with even more energy being directed to the 2021 festival. This was not an easy decision but after much consideration, the Powell County Action Committee reached this conclusion May 26, 2020 at a special meeting held socially distanced at the Stanton City Park. The committee has already begun the process of contacting vendors, sponsors, and other related entities. Thank you for your support and understanding. We look forward to seeing you in 2021!

The 2021 Stanton Corn Festival to be held August 6th - 7th - 8th, 2021. Corn Festival 2021 will be the biggest, corniest, best festival yet! The Powell County Corn Festival is held in a beautiful mountain setting of the quaint little town of Stanton, Kentucky, under the old-growth shade trees of the Community Park on Halls Lane. The park is adjacent to the Powell County High School/Middle School campuses. Just Follow the Corn off Mountain Parkway Exit 22 all the way to the festival. The three-day festival boasts more than one hundred vendors, eight performers, and eight thousand attendees annually. For more information about the Corn Festival 2021 visit cornfestivalky.org.

Daniel Boone Forest Reopens

WINCHESTER, KY— June 2, 2020 – The Daniel Boone National Forest will be reopening day use recreation sites June 3 using a site-by-site approach, including assessment of facility cleanliness, maintenance status, and health and safety of recreation areas.

The type of day use sites scheduled to reopen on Wednesday, June 3 include:

- Picnic areas
- Shooting ranges
- White Sulphur Off-Highway Vehicle Trail System

On May 22, the Forest reopened the Redbird Crest Off-Highway Vehicle Trail System and the Red River Gorge.

On June 11, developed campgrounds on

the Forest will reopen. Those with existing campground reservations through www.Recreation.gov will be notified via email and/or text message if there are any changes.

These projected opening dates may vary depending on circumstances, and it may be necessary to not open or to close areas again if conditions change. Most boat launches, trails and the general forest area, have remained open to hiking, biking, boating, dispersed camping, hunting, fishing, etc. "Closing any site for any reason is not one we take lightly, but protecting our visitors and employees remains our highest priority. We are approaching re-opening with safety in mind," said Daniel Boone National Forest Supervisor Dan Olsen.