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168± Acres • Geneva County

This wooded tract located west of Samson, Alabama, joins Geneva State Forest (Alabama's largest state forest with over 7,000 acres), and Flat Creek runs through the east side. The diverse forest includes mature loblolly and longleaf pines, oaks, and many other species of trees. This property has interior roads and established game food plots. L-1900117 • \$450,000



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A city boy spent his first night on his grandparents farm. Much earlier than usual, he was awakened by the activity all around the farm. He remarked sleepily, "It doesn't take long to stay here all night. Does it?"

The difference between a politician and a statesman is; A politician thinks of the next election, and a statesman thinks of the next generation. ~ James Clarke

I've never been married...
... but I've had a few near Mrs.!!!

My friend writes songs about sewing machines. He's a Singer songwriter. Or sew it seams!

I actually pulled my mask down because I was having trouble hearing. It didn't help one little bit!

Sharon Ard Michalic

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- Lalah Delia

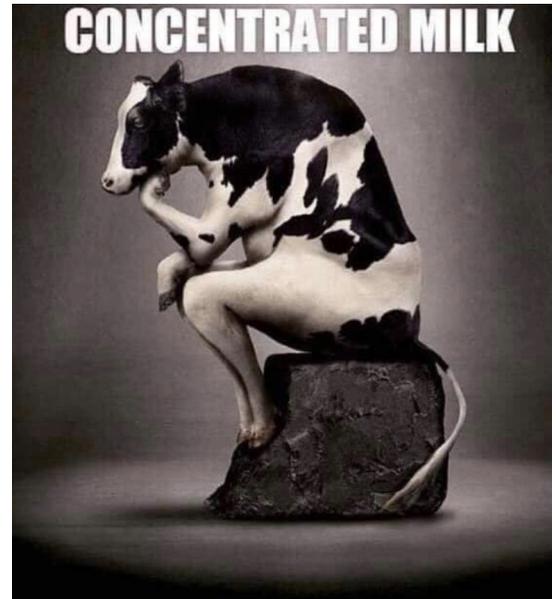
What is it called when you have not one, not two, but three or more porcupines? That is called trouble! However, in scientific terms it is called a prickle of porcupines.

My wife asked me, "Why don't you treat me like you did when we were first dating!?" So I took her to dinner and a movie then dropped her off at her parents' house.

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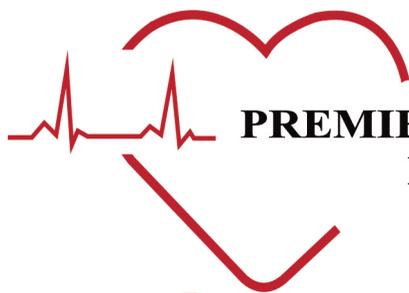
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Winter House

A couple purchased an old home in Northern New York State from two elderly sisters.

Winter was fast approaching and I was concerned about the house's lack of insulation. "If they could live here all those years, so can we!" the husband confidently declared.

One November night the temperature plunged to below zero, and they woke up to find interior walls covered with frost. The husband called the sisters to ask how they had kept the house warm.

After a rather brief conversation, he hung up. "For the past 30 years," he muttered, "they've gone to Florida for the winter."

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Classmates at college were lamenting the cost of long distance phone service and debating the relative advantages of AT&T, MCI, and Sprint.

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THAT YOU FEAR WHAT
HE MIGHT SAY.**

George RR Martin

What do you call a group of giraffes?
Not surprisingly, a group is called a "tower of giraffes."

A **weasel** walks into a bar.

The **bartender** says,
"Wow, I've never served
a weasel before. What
can I get you?"

"Pop," goes the weasel.

BLACK FRIDAY

Black Friday is the busiest day of the year for shoppers, right? It is also the busiest day of the year for another group of people... plumbers. Only difference is they refer to it as 'Brown Friday' [I know, gross]. But it's not what you think. The calls for the day after Thanksgiving are usually kitchen sink and garbage disposal related.

**I accidentally rubbed
ketchup in my eyes...
now I have heinzsight!**

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CHICKEN DIVAN

Yield: 8 Servings

Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter cut into pieces
- 5 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup half and half
- 1/4 cup dry sherry
- zest and juice of one lemon
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon fresh ground pepper
- 3/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan
- 3 cups frozen broccoli florets thawed
- 3 cups cooked diced chicken breast
- 1 cup cooked white rice
- 1 cup panko bread crumbs
- 1 tablespoon melted butter



Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
2. In a medium saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat and stir in the flour. Cook the flour mixture until it becomes a deep golden brown. Slowly whisk in the chicken broth cooking until the mixture begins to thicken. Whisk in the half and half, sherry, lemon zest and juice. Remove from the heat. Stir in the salt and pepper until smooth.
3. Place broccoli in an ungreased 13-in. x 9-in. baking dish. Cover with the rice and then half of the sauce. Top with chicken. Stir the shredded cheese into remaining sauce until smooth. Pour the sauce mixture over the chicken.
4. Melt the remaining butter and toss with the bread crumbs. Sprinkle over the casserole. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 35-45 minutes or until golden brown and bubbling.
5. Serve immediately

CHICKEN PARMESAN

Yield: 6 servings

Ingredients

- 2 cups rotini pasta

Chicken Casseroles

- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 2 cups marinara sauce
- 1/2 cup seasoned bread crumbs

Directions

1. Preheat an oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. Fill a large pot with lightly salted water and bring to a rolling boil over high heat. Once the water is boiling, stir in the rotini, and return to a boil. Cook uncovered, stirring occasionally, until the pasta has cooked through, but is still firm to the bite, about 8 minutes. Drain well in a colander set in the sink.
3. Stir together the rotini, chicken, and mozzarella cheese in a large casserole dish. Pour the marinara sauce over the pasta mixture; sprinkle with bread crumbs. Cover the dish with aluminum foil.
4. Bake in the preheated oven until the cheese is entirely melted, about 35 minutes.



CHICKEN TACO

Yield: 8 servings

Ingredients

- 4 cups shredded, cooked chicken
- 2 (10.75 ounce) cans Condensed Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 cup light sour cream
- 1 (10 ounce) can diced tomatoes and green chiles, undrained
- 1 (15 ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 (1 ounce) envelope reduced-sodium taco seasoning mix
- 5 cups coarsely crushed tortilla chips
- 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
- Chopped tomato
- Sliced green onion
- Chopped fresh cilantro leaves

Directions

1. Heat the oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease a 13x9x2-inch baking dish. Stir the chicken, soup, sour cream, tomatoes and green chiles, beans and seasoning mix in a large bowl.
2. Layer half the chicken mixture, 3 cups tortilla chips and half the cheese in the baking dish. Layer with the remaining chicken mixture and tortilla chips. Cover the baking dish.
3. Bake for 30 minutes. Uncover the baking dish. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese.
4. Bake, uncovered, for 10 minutes or until hot and bubbling and the cheese is melted. Sprinkle with the chopped tomato, green onion and cilantro before serving, if desired.



Have you ever noticed how many towns are named after their water tower.

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CHICKEN FLORENTINE

Servings: 4-6

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon butter
- 8 ounces fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 4 cups fresh baby spinach
- 4 skinless , boneless chicken breasts – cut into bite size pieces
- ¼ cup butter
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup half and half
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 4 slices of bacon , cooked and crumbled (or ¾ cup bacon bits)
- 2 cups of mozzarella cheese , shredded
- Your choice of pasta



Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.
2. Grease a casserole dish and set aside.
3. Melt the butter in a large frying pan. Add the sliced mushrooms and cook until tender. Add the spinach and cook until wilted. Transfer the mushrooms and spinach to the casserole dish.
4. Place the chicken over top of the spinach.
5. In a separate sauce pan, melt ¼ cup butter over medium heat. Add the minced garlic and cook for about 30 seconds until fragrant. Stir in the lemon juice, can of soup, half and half and Parmesan cheese until well combined. Add basil, oregano and salt.
6. Pour the sauce over top of the chicken. Cover with foil.
7. Bake in the oven for about 40 minutes until chicken is cooked through. Remove the foil and sprinkle bacon pieces on top of the sauce, then the cheese. Bake for an additional 10 minutes until the cheese is crispy. Use the broiler if you would like extra crispy cheese.
8. While chicken is cooking, bring a pot of water to a boil and cook pasta as per package instructions. Serve the chicken along side pasta.

BUFFALO CHICKEN

Yield: 12 servings

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 pounds chicken cubed
- 3/4 cup ranch dressing
- 3/4 cup buffalo sauce more if you like spice
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 pound shredded frozen hash browns
- 2 cups cheddar cheese cheese divided
- chives optional



Instructions

1. Preheat oven 375 degrees. Grease 9x13 casserole dish with cookie spray and set aside.

2. In a large mixing bowl, combine hash browns, ranch dressing, buffalo sauce, soup and 1 cup cheddar cheese and mix well. Cube chicken and mix well.
3. Dump casserole ingredients into casserole dish, cover with foil and bake for 1 hours. Uncover and add remaining cheese on top. Bake for an additional 15 minutes until melted and bubbly. Garnish with chopped chives if desired.
4. Allow to cool slightly before cutting.
5. Keep in an air tight container in the refrigerator up to a week or in the freezer for up to two months.

CHICKEN CLUB

Yield: 2 casseroles (5 servings each)

Ingredients

- 4 cups uncooked spiral pasta
- 4 cups cubed cooked chicken
- 2 cans (10-3/4 ounces each) condensed cheddar cheese soup, undiluted
- 1 cup crumbled cooked bacon
- 1 cup 2% milk
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 4 medium tomatoes, seeded and chopped
- 3 cups fresh baby spinach, chopped
- 2 cups shredded Colby-Monterey Jack cheese



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 375°. Cook pasta according to package directions.
 2. Meanwhile, in a large bowl, combine chicken, soup, bacon, milk and mayonnaise. Stir in tomatoes and spinach.
 3. Drain pasta; stir into chicken mixture. Transfer to two greased 8-in. square baking dishes. Sprinkle with cheese.
 4. Cover and bake until bubbly and cheese is melted, 35-40 minutes.
- Freeze option: Cover and freeze unbaked casseroles for up to 3 months. To use, thaw in the refrigerator overnight. Remove from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Preheat oven to 375°. Cover and bake until bubbly, 60-70 minutes.

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The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.

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February is upon us Gardeners! Spring is on its way!

Growing your own greens and veggies is healthier, cheaper and saves a trip to the store! February is a great month for starting out your spring veggie garden, whether in pots, raised beds or in the ground. The plants produce good root growth before the warm weather sets in, and the bug population is not yet in full munching gear. If you love **greens**, they thrive in the cold nights and short sunny hours of this month. (Remember to throw a sheet or some covering over the plants if temperatures go well below freezing. Then remove when the sun warms up.) According to the free *Alabama Extension SOW app* **cabbage, collards, lettuce, mustard, turnips, and swiss chard** love to start in February. Now is also time to start **asparagus (crowns), beets (leaves and roots are edible), broccoli (transplants), cauliflower (transplants), celery (cut off the base from store bought and plant it), onions, sweet peas and radishes.**

Two Saturday **workshops on pruning** are being offered at **Dothan Area Botanical Gardens** in February that you don't want to miss if you raise **blueberries or crape myrtles**. Each costs only \$20 if you are not yet a member of DABG, for members the cost is just \$15. The blueberry pruning workshop will be on **February 13th at 10 AM**, and the crape myrtle workshop will be on **February 27th at 10 AM**. Call (334) 793-3224 for registration info or go to www.dabg.com.

The **2021 Master Gardener Class** is upon us! February 4th through April 29th Thursdays 9:30-11:30 AM (Zoom) and 1:00-2:30 PM (Zoom or Live on Location). Call the Extension Office near you for more information and registration. In Dale County call (334) 774-2329.

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Consistency

Pastor Josh and Kayla Sims



Have you ever said the phrase, "I wish they were more consistent"? I know I have heard that a lot as well as said that quite a bit the last several months. Navigating the waters of our current situation has not been easy and many times we feel that there has been a "lack of consistency" in our homes, schools, jobs, and really everywhere we go. All of this has got me thinking though, How consistent am I personally? Do those I interact with say I am consistent? Would God the Father say I am consistent? Ok, before we dive to deep into those waters let me give you a flotation device to help navigate with. The Apostle Paul says to the Corinthian Church in 1 Corinthians 11:1, "Imitate me, as I imitate Christ." Paul understands that in order for the church to get to the place God is calling them, they are to follow his example. That had to be a daunting task, however it wasn't. I'm not claiming that Paul didn't have his moments, i'm sure he did but he kept his eyes focused. A laser like focus that was placed on Jesus. Paul knew in order to carry out his purpose he must be focused on the one whom gave him that purpose. See through out scripture Jesus did not just teach good news, He was good news. The Aposlte John wrote in Revelation 1:8 concerning Jesus, "...I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "...who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." Talk about consistency. Jesus put it very plainly that He was there, He is here, and He is coming. So where do you fit into the equation? I have not been a parent for very long but I understand that my consistency or lack there of will be learned by my son. What message am I sending him about me, more importantly what message am I sending him about Jesus? I ask you the same thing today. What message are you sending people about yourself, and if you are a christian, what message are you sending about Jesus to those around you? Let's make choose to be consistent in 2021. Despite my short falls, Jesus is still there for me and He is still there for you. Jesus is consistent.

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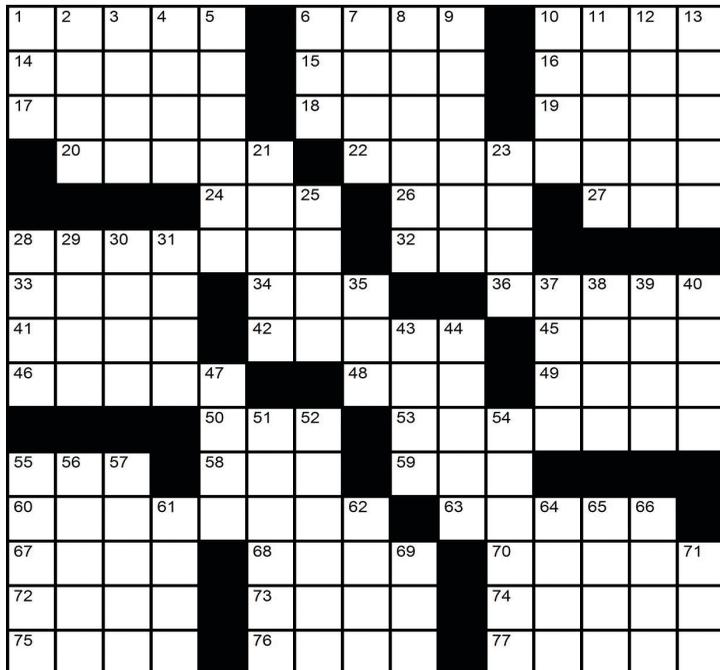
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Spiritual Filters

By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

I would like to begin with what is the functionalities of a filter: A device used for removing impurities, solid particle, contaminates, and unwanted materials as it passes through the filter. The filter protects the vital part of a thing, such as an engine, or the heart of a thing.



Proverbs 4:23 *Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.*

Our brain is like a computer, it receive and process information. Our "default settings" automatically sends information received through our "spiritual filters". This makes it imperative that we have knowledge of God's Word. The Holy Spirit's job is to teach us and bring things to our remembrance that we have learned.

The truths we learn become a filter for everything we see, hear, and experience. Then, if we encounter error, our internal alarm will go off to protect us from deception.

So when information flows through our "spiritual filters" the Holy Spirit will help us discern the information, comparing natural things with spiritual things. Our filters material must be made of the Word of God and the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit also builds God's truth into our conscience, the "filter" through which we process our behavior and decisions.

Living in a world being flooded by the flow of information, it is possible that our filters will get dirty. Unclean filters can clog up the flow and cause damage to our relationship.

Are you satisfied with your spiritual growth and daily fellowship with the Lord? Maybe it's time for a service or checkup.

We can clean our filters with the same thing they are made of: **Ephesians 5:26...** *"cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,"*

The Bible is rich with truth. Unlike any other book, we can read a verse or passage repeatedly and gain new insight each time. As we delight in His Word and meditate on His truth, God's Word cleanses us.

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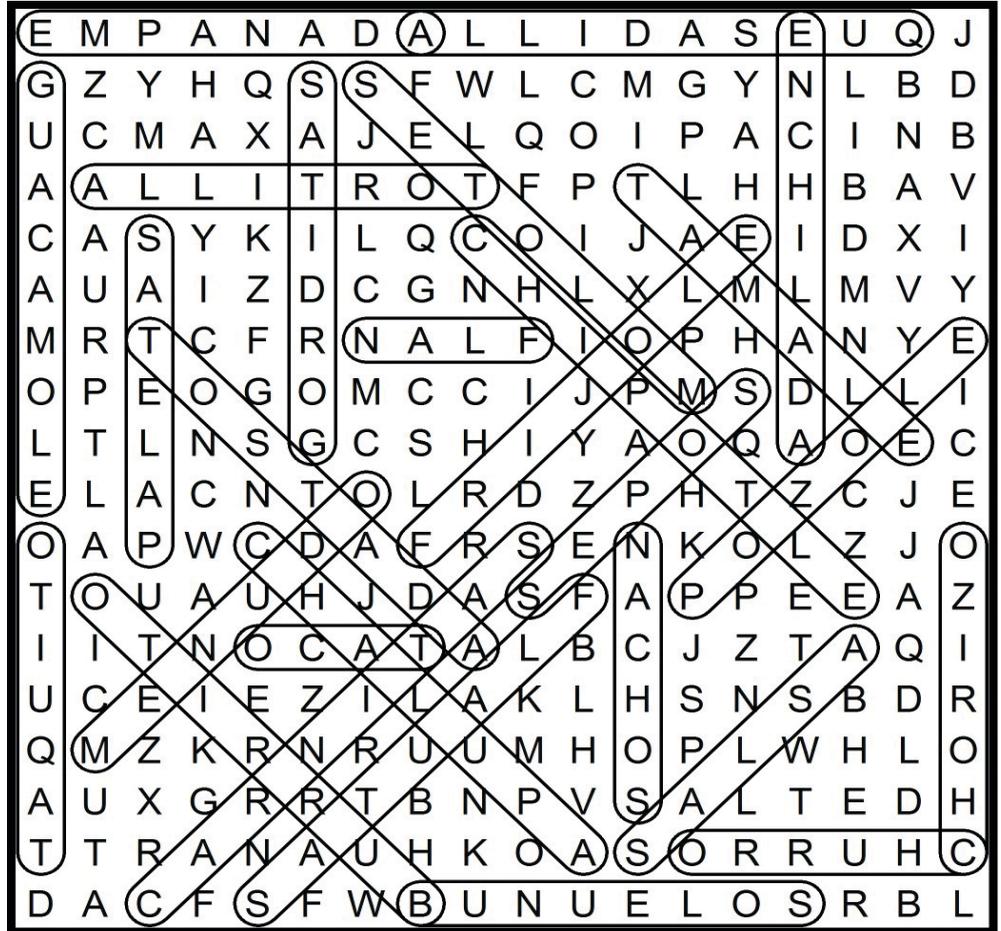
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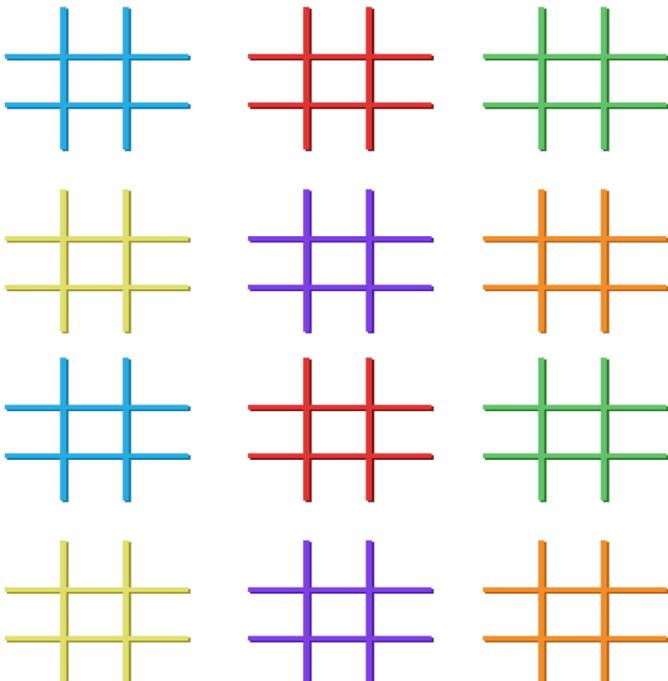
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The kid in us likes the spending part of this equation, because it's so much fun. The problem with most people is they can't really afford the fun they have. You should have some fun no matter where you are on the financial scale, but it should be inexpensive fun in the beginning. Then, the fun can get bigger, better, and more frequent once you're out of debt and building wealth.

The grown-up part of us likes investing and saving, because that's what can prepare you for retirement and make you wealthy. After a while, though, investing can feel a little bit like Monopoly. You can be up, or you can be down. Sometimes the market fluctuates, but a mature investor will ride out the waves and stay in for the long-term. If you have quality investments with long track records of success, they will come back up. Start investing 15% of your income for retirement once you've paid off all debt except for your home and you have three to six months of expenses saved for an emergency fund.

The most mature part of you will meet the kid inside when you give. Giving is the most fun you'll ever have with money. Every financially, mentally, and spiritually healthy person I've ever met has been turned on by giving. I've met and talked with thousands of millionaires in my career, and one thing all the healthy ones have in common is a love of giving.

Someone who never has fun with money misses the point. Someone who never saves or invests money will never have any. And someone who never gives is holding on too tight. Do some of each, and enjoy the ride!

—Dave

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