

MUSTANG MESSAGE



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He Knew It From The Start by Nathan Reeves

When you think of God, what is something that comes to mind? While you may think of adjectives like loving, merciful, or longsuffering, one of the first things has to be His knowledge because God is all-knowing. He knows where we are, what we are doing, our thoughts, our motives, and even the number of hairs on our head! But He does not just know about us as if we were a historical figure. He knows us as we know our own children. He knows us because He is our all-knowing Father and Creator. He knew us before we were conceived - even before the worlds were in existence!

Not only does He know us, but He also knows the entire history of all mankind. You see, before He made Adam and Eve, He knew them. And He knew they would sin. Then why would he go ahead and create them anyway? Well, it was because of His great love for Adam and Eve (and for you and me!). You see, not only does God know us; but He also loves us. He knew that the sinless man He was about to create would become sinful and would turn his back on Him. God's love overshadows our sin; but because He is holy, He cannot overlook our sin. God's love did not cover our sin. It made a way to have our sin covered, and that Way is Jesus. You see, before time began, God knew mankind would fall. He also knew we would need a way, a Savior, in order to get to heaven. In His divine and sovereign plan, God created mankind knowing we would sin and knowing He would send His Son, Jesus, down to earth as a baby. This baby would grow to be a sinless man that would be severely beaten and eventually suffer a willing but agonizing death on a cross so that we might live with God in heaven one day.

You see, God knew the Christmas story all along. His love compelled Him to continue in His plan even though we would fail Him. This Christmas season know God's love for you. He loved you so much that He sent His only Son to die for a sinner like you. If you have accepted Jesus' payment for your sin, then rejoice in your eventual home in heaven; but if you have never accepted Jesus as your Savior, trust Him for Heaven today.

CURRENT EVENTS

Dec. 6 Middle School Reward Trip

This is it! What they've all been working so hard for! Those who've earned it will go to their teacher's house for games & food.

Dec. 20 Class Christmas Parties

The last day of school in 2024 will be filled with food and fun! Elementary students will go Christmas caroling around the Ranch at 1:00, and each class will enjoy a gift exchange (\$5-\$7)! School will dismiss at 2:00.

Dec. 21-Jan. 5 Christmas Break

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! Enjoy the two weeks with friends and family.

Jan. 6 First Day Back!

Character Trait of the Month

INTEGRITY

Definition: state of being entire; honesty

Examples:

1. Even if you might get into trouble, always tell your teacher the truth.
2. Never exaggerate the truth to your friends.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Lucy Rodden: Lucy has been exceptionally thankful all month long! She has been thankful to God and for her family and friends. I am proud of Lucy's thankful heart!

Elah Stambovsky: Elah Remembers to say thank you without being prompted consistently. I love her grateful attitude.

Ellie Rae Potter: Ellie has always been intentional about showing thankfulness, even for the smallest things.

Eliana Menjivar: Eliana is a fantastic example of thankfulness! She consistently remembers to say 'thank you.' You won't hear any complaining from this young lady!

Felix Gutierrez: Felix is great at showing thankfulness every day! Whether its a friend helping him, holding the door, or receiving a reward, he says thank you without being reminded. Keep it up, Felix!

Mila Robinson: As she is leading the class in prayer, Mila consistently tells God "Thank you," naming many things He has done. It is not unusual to hear a quick thank you when she is given something.

Lily Hill: Lily always comes to school ready for a new day. She shows her appreciation for school by working hard. Lily also shows her classmates gratitude for any help they offer. She consistently displays a spirit of gratitude which is always a breath of fresh air for those around her.

