"Cease striving, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."



Lily Reijgers showing her great attitude finishing up a good day at school Bozeman Christian School Bozeman. MT

"But the witness which I have is greater than that of John [the Immerser]; for the works which the Father has given Me to accomplish, the very works that I do, bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me."

John 5:36

March 25, 2018!



MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m.

Opening — Jay Wilson, Gunnar Landsgaard

M.C. — Bob Edgar

Stewardship exhortation — Phil Sutton

Communion Meditation — John Adams

Preaching — Jay Wilson

EVENING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 7:00 p.m., Butte - 7:30 p.m.

M.C. — Davis Ashley, George Stone

Communion Meditation — Matt Wilson, Boaz McDunn

Preaching — Phil Sutton, Jay Wilson



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations to *Mitch Zentner*, who was immersed into Christ Lord's Day evening March 18 in his bathtub by Charlie Jacobs. Mitch is married to Stacy, and works for the Honda dealership on Huffine Lane.

Monthly potluck! — Lord's Day Mar. 25 following assembly Brooke Renner and Jacob Buckingham wedding — 2:00 pm Sat., March 31, at church building

Ladies' Advance — April 19-21, Hampton Inn, Great Falls, MT

Montana Youth Camp — June 3-8 at Echo Valley Camp, Avon, MT

Men's PEAKS — Thurs. - Sat. July 19-21, 2018 at Delmoe Reservoir

Family Camp 2018 — Aug. 31 - Sept. 3, 2018 at Bozeman church property

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This Wednesday, Mar. 28th – 7:00 p.m. — Some enlightenment from Ephesians – Phil Sutton



Question of the week:

What two kings had Moses and Israel just defeated before Moses began to expound the Law to this new generation of Israelites?

Last week's question: What was the Lord doing through the signs that accompanied those who preached the gospel in the first century AD? Answer: He was confirming the Word (Mark 16:20).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School — 99 Morning Assembly — 123 Evening Assembly — 65 Wednesday Night (3/21) — 78 **Butte Lord's Day** — 16

Great Falls Lord's Day — 40.73



Comfort/encouragement from Second Corinthians ...

Reason for Boldness

Moses was a bold man. He had some boldness when he struck down the Egyptian slave driver and buried him in the sand, but he had to flee to the land of Midian for forty years. In that time, he may have lost what boldness he had; when told to go to Egypt, his response to God was, "Please, Lord, now send the message by whomever You will" [meaning "send the message by somebody else"] (Exodus 2:13). But step by step God emboldened Moses, and he was able to stand before Pharaoh as the one in control of the situation—unmoved and unthreatened by Pharoah's power or ragings. Later, from Mt. Sinai on through the travels in the wilderness, Moses had to stand almost single-

handedly before the rebellious sons of Israel. It was with the strength of the Lord and with boldness that he repeatedly, with his face shining with the fading glory, delivered the succeeding sections of the Law to Israel.

- Glory compared The "ministry of death," says Paul, came with the fading glory shining in Moses' face, but the "ministry of the Spirit" came with a much greater glory. Moses, as the one who gave his name to the first covenant, was a servant in the house, whereas Christ is the Son and the builder of the house, "whose house we are" (Hebrews 3:1-6). Hence the covenant bearing the name of Christ—"the faith of Christ"—came with a greater glory, "the glory of God in the face of Christ" (2 Corinthians 4:6). While there was some candlepower in the brightness of Moses' face, it was nothing compared to the brightness of the glory
 - of God. "For if that which fades away was with glory," avers Paul of the Law, "much more that which remains [the faith of Christ] is in glory" (2 Corinthians 3:11).
- Relation to boldness After commenting on the fact that the faith of Christ is the covenant which remains, Paul adds, "Having therefore such a hope, we use great boldness in speech" (2 Corinthians 3:12). What is the hope to which the apostle refers as the source

This glory is a source of strength and courage.

of this boldness? *Hope* is usually tied to the resurrection of the dead, especially the saints of God, on the last day. "I do serve the God of our fathers," affirmed Paul in his testimony before the Roman governor Felix, "believing everything that is in accordance with the Law and that is written in the Prophets, having a hope in God, which these men cherish themselves, that there shall certainly be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked" (Acts 24:14,15). In another expression, speaking of the same thing, Paul had written that "we exult in hope of the glory of God" (Romans 5:2). The certainty of the attaining to the glory of God is not in doubt; what remains in question, and the reason why the word *hope* is attached to it, is the timing of the brethren's resurrection to glory. Thus Paul says that in having such a hope, we use great boldness in our speech.

But the tie-in to glory is not simply the glory to be attained at the resurrection on the last day. "We use great boldness in our speech," adverts the apostle, "and are not as Moses, who used to put a veil over his face" (2 Corinthians 3:13). By great contrast, "we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory" (2 Corinthians 3:18). The Christian has glory now, glory seen in the shining face of Christ, and this glory is the source of strength and courage in enabling the saint to use great boldness in his speech. This is part of the covenant of the Spirit; the glory that is seen with the unveiled face is in the realm of faith, as revealed by the word of God. What a blessing it is for modern disciples of Christ to be able to operate under the terms of the new and unfading covenant, the faith of Christ!

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