

As we have heard, so we have seen in
the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of
our God; God will establish her forever



Mike Hartman, preacher at Pandora Church of Christ,
photo-bombing portrait shot of
Mike and Marshall Harbour of Wauseon, OH and Jay Wilson of Bozeman, MT
Christ's Church of Lima Rally
Lima, OH

“When therefore the people saw
this sign which He had performed
[feeding the five thousand], they said,
‘This is of a truth the Prophet who is
to come into the world.’ ”

John 6:14

August 5, 2018!

Christ's Church

Meeting at
30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman
Comfort Inn — Butte

MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m.

Opening — Jay Wilson, Gunnar Landsgaard

M.C. — Bob Edgar

Prayer meditation — Jim Mitchell

Communion Meditation — Charlie Jacobs

Preaching — Jay Wilson

EVENING SCHEDULE:

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

M.C. — Bob Edgar, **George Stone**

Communion Meditation — Phil Sutton, **Tom McDunn**

Preaching — Phil Sutton, **Jay Wilson**



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bellevue, MI revival — Aug. 10-12

Fasting and prayer/potluck — Fasting Aug. 25,26, finishing with church potluck after assembly LD Aug. 26

Family Camp 2018 — Aug. 31 - Sept. 3, 2018 at Bozeman church property. Theme: "Conversion in Immersion"

School starts! — Bozeman and Butte schools begin Wed. Sept. 5 at 7:30 am/8:30 am!

Spiritual Warriors' Weekend — Fri., Sat., Nov. 2,3 at Bozeman church building

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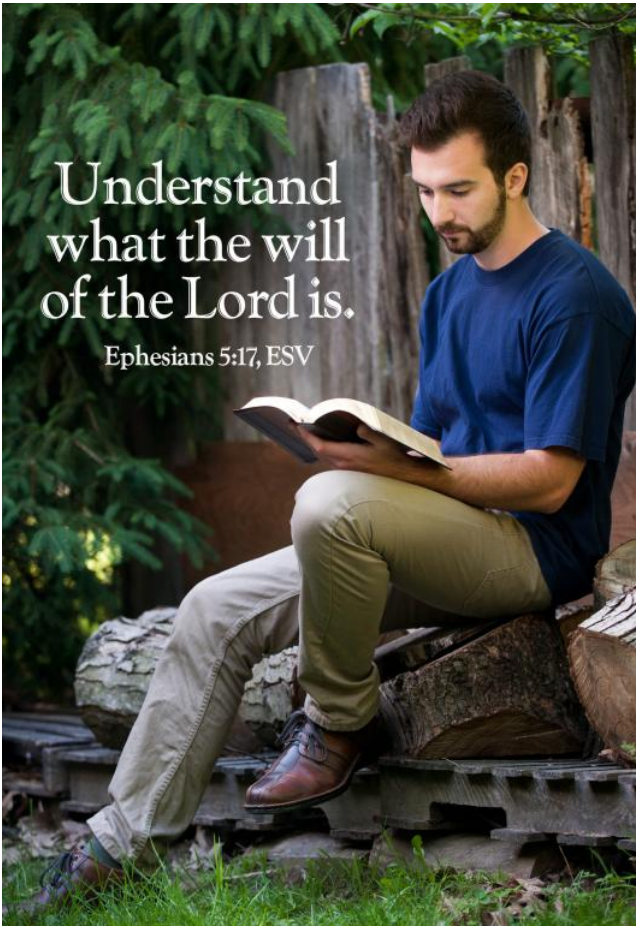
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This Wednesday, August 8th —
7:00 p.m. — Teachings from Titus — Phil Sutton



Question of the week:

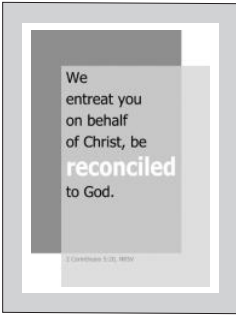
How is it that the Christian, in conjunction with being filled with all joy and peace in believing, is able to abound in hope?

Last week's question: In the days of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, a massive army invaded. A prophet of God stood up as a result of prayer and fasting, and promised that God would grant them victory. Who was that prophet? *Answer: Jahaziel son of Zechariah, of the sons of Asaph (2 Chronicles 20:14).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 72
Morning Assembly – 81
Evening Assembly – 90

Wednesday Night (8/1) – 80
Butte Lord's Day – 15
Great Falls Lord's Day – 42,76



Comfort/encouragement from Second Corinthians ...

Crazy for Christ?

Paul's life was on display for all the lost and all the saved in Corinth. When he stated, "I hope that we are made manifest also in your consciences," he was giving permission for others to examine his life and conduct. He had stated that he was not one who took pride in appearance; rather, he wanted people to look deeper to see the substance that was there as contrasted to the "show" that characterizes so many who would claim to be promulgators of the gospel. Because Paul was an "open book," and because he was straight-forward and honest, he was often accused of being crazy. As he was concluding his testimony before King Agrippa and the Roman governor Porcius Festus, the governor found himself crying out, "Paul, you are out of your mind! Your great learning is driving you mad!" (Acts 26:24). From the governor down the lowest slave, there were those who thought he was crazy—especially crazy to suffer so much for the gospel for so little earthly gain.

- ▲ **For the Corinthian brethren** — The apostle knows he is not out of his mind; he has seen Jesus his Lord by revelation—risen and glorified! He knows that he utters words of sober truth. But he is willing to be poorly regarded in order that the good news connected with Christ might continue to move forward. "For if we are beside ourselves," he helps the brethren in Corinth put things in the right perspective, "it is for God; if we are of sound mind, it is for you" (2 Corinthians 5:13). Anything that might be attributed to a little craziness, direct that toward God. Anything that might be sensible, accept that as a blessing to the saints.
- ▲ **Controlling influence** — The inspired record shows that the apostle Paul was a man driven hard to preach and teach the gospel, and his honest concern for the eternity of each person would have been obvious to any objective observer. "For the love of Christ controls us," he comments, "having concluded this, that One died for all, therefore all died" (2 Corinthians 5:14). The system of law tries to impose external controls on the individual, but, as Paul pointed out, they are "of no value against fleshly indulgence" (Colossians 2:23). There are those who propose systems of mutual accountability, but once again those are easy to skirt around. The only thing that will work is for "the love of Christ" to control us! Christ Himself left heaven as the great Apostle and High Priest of our confession for one purpose: to seek and to save that which was lost. That love controlled Him to the point that He would willingly come to Golgotha's ground, and willingly die for all. He needed no external controls; He knew His steadfast adherence to what was right and true and good was absolutely necessary to rescue mankind from the grips of the prince of darkness. The apostle Paul thus concludes the same thing: he is therefore controlled by that same love to do what is right and true and good, and willing to be counted crazy or even to die that others might live eternally.
- ▲ **Living for Jesus** — Jesus died for all. Therefore, it is not overly demanding that all who would follow in the footsteps of their Master would also die. "And He died for all," the apostle continues the thought, "that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf" (2 Corinthians 5:15). Properly processed, these words will change the life of every saint who is willing to act on them!

*Die to yourself.
Live for Jesus.
Crazy to the
world!*

By definition those whose minds are focused on the flesh are also focused on the things of earth. The earthly mindset, then, would be to "get what you can while you can." The exhortation coming from Paul and the Holy Spirit is to no longer live for yourself. Die to yourself. Live for Jesus. Crazy to the world!!

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