

**MAN SHOULD TURN TO GOD FOR THE
REDEMPTION OF HIS SOUL, THAT HE
SHOULD LIVE ON FOREVER**



Barry Gantt of Harrisonburg, VA
with Mark Miller of Missoula, MT
enjoying good fellowship at the PA Family Camp 2018
Everett, PA

**“Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread
of life; he who comes to Me shall not
hunger, and he who believes in Me shall
never thirst. But I said to you, that you
have seen Me, and yet do not believe.’”**

John 6:35,36

December 2, 2018!

Christ's Church

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

MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m.

Opening — Jay Wilson, Luke Jacobs

M.C. — Bob Edgar

Stewardship exhortation — Zac Dschaak

Communion Meditation — Jeff Landsgaard

Preaching — Jay Wilson

EVENING SCHEDULE:

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

M.C. — Davis Ashley, **George Stone**

Communion Meditation — Brian Schweitzer, **George Stone**

Preaching — Jerry Hoffman, **Jay Wilson**



**This Wednesday,
December 5th –
7:00 p.m. —
Teachings from Titus
– Phil Sutton**

Congratulations to *Anita Garlock*, who was immersed into Christ on Thurs. Nov. 30 by Jerry Hoffman. Anita is married to Dave Garlock, and is the mother to two daughters, Payton and Olivia.

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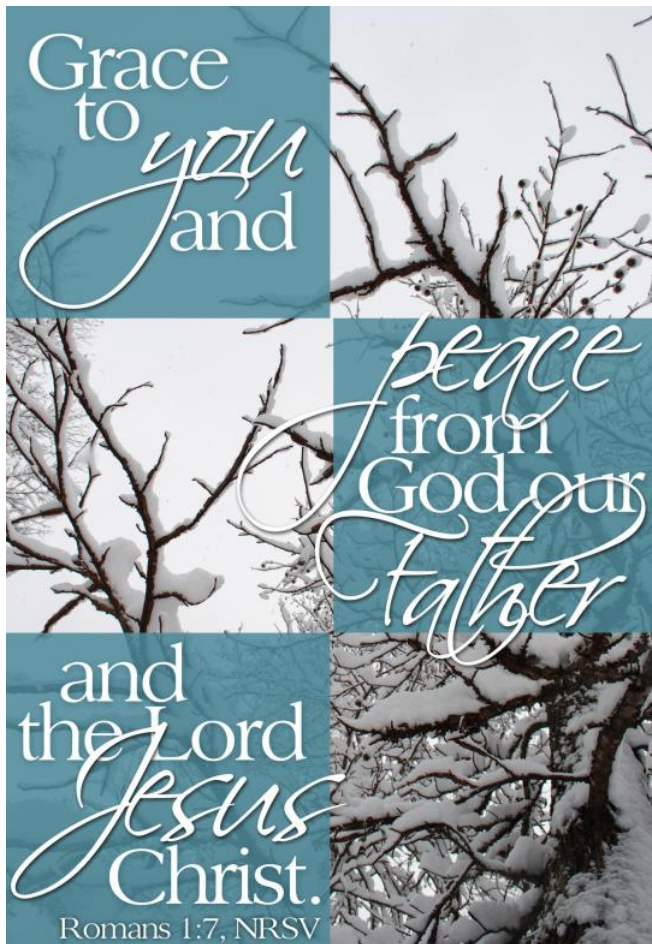
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

New Year's Eve costume party — December 31, 6:00 pm
at the church building. Bring snacks/food to share,
games, and costume

Bible Bowl — Sat. Mar. 16, 2019, at Bozeman on Romans
chapters 1-8

Men's PEAKS — Thurs. through Sat. July 25-27, 2019

Family Camp 2019 — Aug. 30 - Sept. 2 at Bozeman church
property



Question of the week:

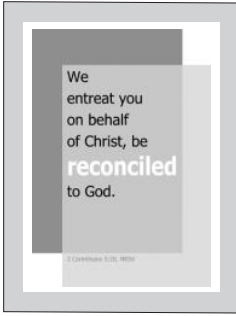
In one of Daniel's visions, a male goat was moving over the surface of the earth without touching the ground. What did the ram and the goat represent in the vision?

Last week's question: When the apostle Peter commented that Jesus bore our sins in His body on the cross, or "tree," what was to result from that in our personal lives? *Answer: that we might die to sin and live to righteousness (1 Peter 2:24).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 76
Morning Assembly – 110
Evening Assembly – 67

Wednesday Night (11/28) – 87
Butte Lord's Day – 13
Great Falls Lord's Day – 44,70



Comfort/encouragement from Second Corinthians ...

Changing the Way of Thinking

This is a continual source of amazement: how far away from God's way of thinking is man's way of thinking. "Let the wicked man forsake his way," was the message of the Lord through Isaiah, "and the unrighteous man his thoughts" (Isaiah 55:7). The All Wise and All Knowing further commented, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts higher than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:9). Hence man on an individual basis needs to change the way he thinks, to bring his thinking in line with God's as revealed in the scripture. This change of thinking is the true meaning of *repentance*. Paul, in his labor over the congregation in Corinth, is rejoicing that his letter brought them to the point of repentance.

- ▼ **Godly sorrow** — There is an idea out there in the public "cloud," in the general way the public thinks, that repentance is equivalent to being sorry for what has been done. This misguided concept is somewhat rooted in the Catholic concept of penance, which requires a person to pay some sort of penalty for the sin committed, in which the individual is supposed to be sorrowful for his violation of Catholic tenets. Hence, if the penitent is sorry, and does his penance, he is forgiven. Biblical teaching, as is often the case, is much different. To the Corinthian brethren, Paul writes, "I now rejoice, not that you were made sorrowful, but that you were made sorrowful to the point of repentance." This repentance is clearly different than sorrow; the sorrow is necessary to produce repentance—the willingness to do the mental work necessary to change the way of thinking. This sorrow, then, Paul comments, is "according to the will of God, in order that you might not suffer loss in anything though us." Jesus had been very blunt; He straightforwardly put this simple truth out there: "Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). Without repentance, the individual suffers the greatest loss of all, the loss of his eternal soul. "For what does it profit a man," Jesus had thus queried, "to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?" (Mark 8:36). Through Paul and his companions' letter and labor, the Corinthians had repented, and therefore would not suffer spiritual loss. Had not the apostle done his job, the brethren would have "suffered loss through us"; but Paul kept his responsibility to the Lord and to the brethren, repentance was accomplished, and there was no loss of eternal life.

- ▼ **Two types of sorrow** — Judas felt remorse for betraying Jesus, but went out and hanged himself. Peter denied the Lord three times, but repented and got back on track. Judas' sorrow was a worldly sorrow; he possibly felt bad because the consequences were greater than what

he had thought they would be, and the solution was to take his own life to get out of whatever pain he felt might be looming for him on earth. Peter's sorrow was godly; it brought him to a realization that he had drifted, and now was to follow the Lord. "For the sorrow that is according to the will of God," is Paul's commentary, "produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation, but the sorrow of the world produces death" (2 Corinthians 7:10). There they are, the two types of sorrow: *godly sorrow* that produces repentance, and *worldly sorrow* that produces death.

The death that Paul is talking about, obviously, is spiritual death, the eternal separation from God in the lake of fire. Anyone whose brain is processing truthfully knows that this lake is not where he wants to spend his eternity. But "the god of this world," Paul had earlier noted, "has blinded the minds of the unbelieving" (2 Corinthians 4:4); they cannot see, or process, clearly. But those who have the sorrow that produces repentance will possess the salvation resulting in eternal life in the presence of Him who lives forever and ever. The message of Jesus, therefore, to the church at Laodicea, still rings throughout the brotherhood of saints throughout the world: "be zealous therefore, and repent!" (Revelation 3:19).

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