

**OFFER TO GOD A SACRIFICE OF
THANKSGIVING, AND PAY YOUR VOWS TO
THE MOST HIGH**



Theresa Henry and Karen Miller of Billings
enjoying some fun fellowship
MT Ladies' Advance
Holiday Inn, Bozeman, MT

**“Jesus answered them, ‘Did I Myself
not choose you, the twelve, and yet
one of you is a devil?’ Now He meant
Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for
he, one of the twelve, was going to
betray Him.”**

John 6:70,71

June 2, 2019!

Christ's Church

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

MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m.

Opening — Matt Wilson, Kaden Reijgers

M.C. — Bob Edgar

Stewardship Exhortation — Jim Mitchell

Communion Meditation — Rick Vaught

Preaching — Bob Edgar

EVENING SCHEDULE:

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

M.C. — Davis Ashley, **George Stone**

Communion Meditation — Cliff Renner, **Tom McDunn**

Preaching — Phil Sutton, **Nick Jacobs**

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The logo for Youth SUMMER Camp features the word "Youth" in a red, cursive script. Below it, the word "SUMMER" is in a bold, blue, blocky font with a white outline. To the right of "SUMMER", the word "Camp" is in a red, cursive script. The background of the "SUMMER" text shows a scenic view of a lake and mountains.

This Wednesday,
June 5th –
7:00 p.m. –
*Character Traits of
Jesus*
– Phil Sutton

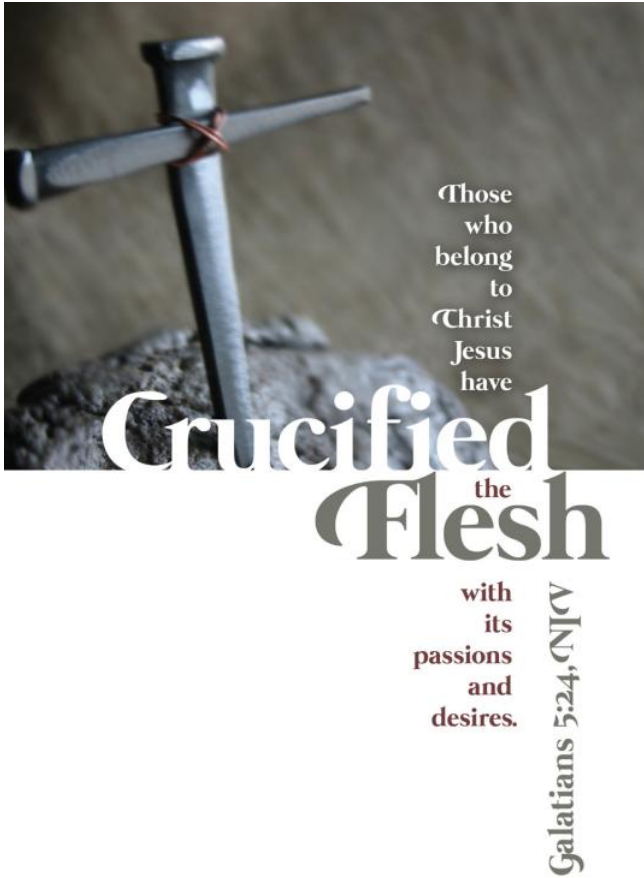
CO Family Camp — June 21,22 at Boyd Lake near
Loveland, CO
Lima, OH Rally — June 28-30

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Montana Youth Camp — June 9-14

Men's PEAKS — Thurs. through Sat. July 25-27, 2019. Theme:
High Points from Hebrews

Family Camp 2019 — Aug. 30 - Sept. 2 at Bozeman property.
Theme: Timeless Truths from the Torah



Question of the week:

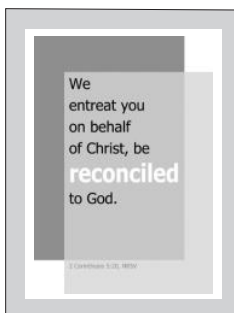
What did Jesus say in His long prayer to the Father that He would give to His future disciples, with the result that they would be perfected in unity?

Last week's question: When David lived amongst the Philistines, he was given a city which from that point on belonged to the kings of Judah. What was that city? *Answer: Ziklag (1 Samuel 27:6).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 69
Morning Assembly – 121
Evening Assembly – 59

Wednesday Night (5/29) – -
Butte Lord's Day – 10
Great Falls Lord's Day – 31.46



Comfort/encouragement from Second Corinthians ...

Deceitful Workers

Those who have the faith to the preserving of the soul must fight; they must fight the good fight of faith. The spiritually lazy Christian will end up losing the fight, and will lose his soul to the fires of an eternal hell. One of the reasons for this fight is that Satan has unleashed a tremendous number of false teachers and false preachers who pervert the way of righteousness and subtly or brazenly twist the gospel. The appeals they make to the flesh are many and variegated, but those appeals continue to work because people who are not interested in grappling for the truth are pulled into the various webs of deceit and lies. Such men were working inside the church at Corinth, and the apostle is in the process of exposing them.

▼ **Description of the evil workers** — These men inside Corinth

had positioned themselves as being better educated than the others, and skilled as Greek teachers. Paul had laid the groundwork for full exposure in his first epistle. "Where is the wise man?" he had rightfully asked. "Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age?" (1 Corinthians 1:20). Such disappear at the first blast of truth when it rushes through the door. "Your faith should not rest on the wisdom of men," he averred, "but on the power of God" (1 Corinthians 2:5). "Let no man deceive himself," he continued. "If any man among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become foolish that he may become wise" (1 Corinthians 3:18). It was to these that the apostle directly addressed these words: "If any man destroys the temple of God, God will destroy him" (1 Corinthians 3:16). For the benefit of the congregation, Paul spells it out in his second epistle. "For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ" (2 Corinthians 11:13). Not to be an apostle of Christ, but making bold claim to be one is about as audacious a claim as could be made. There would have to be so much "deceitful working" in order even to begin to carry that off.

- ▼ **Source of evil** — Jesus made it very plain that the devil is "is a liar, and the father of lies" (John 8:44). As the ultimate rebel and enemy of God, he hates mankind and is doing everything possible to send each person to the godless eternity where he is going. So he is capable of getting his lying doctrines in the mouths of the false apostles and deceitful workers. This is sometimes shocking to a new saint trying to process the sweeping reach of the issue of "Truth vs. Lie." "How can these men who are supposed to be men of God knowingly preach false doctrine?" is a question often asked. Paul answers: "And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light" (2 Corinthians 11:14).

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HIMSELF AS AN ANGEL OF
LIGHT, IT IS NOT SUR-
PRISING IF HIS SERVANTS
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RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

- ▼ **No surprise** — Evil may seem chaotic and working against itself, but it is in fact united in its opposition to truth. Jesus made the point that Satan is not divided against himself; otherwise his kingdom would not stand (Matthew 12:26). The devil is thus capable of many forms of deception, including appearing as an angel of light. "Therefore it is not surprising," the apostle informs the brethren, "if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their deeds" (2 Corinthians 11:15).

Long-term, it is not possible to preach wrong and do right. Anyone who will not preach the apostles' doctrine has his mind set on the flesh rather than on the Spirit. "The mind set on the flesh," the apostle had pointed out to the brethren in Rome, "is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so" (Romans 8:7). Paul is therefore confident that when the "fruit" of his opposition is placed alongside his, the contrast will be stark and clear. Thus he is not going to back off on his "boasting."

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