

**YOU WICKED ONES LET YOUR MOUTH
LOOSE IN EVIL, AND YOUR TONGUE
FRAMES DECEIT.**



Matt Hartford from Richmond, VA area
Chad Mahaffey from Grand Rapids, MI area
a couple of "worthies" having great fellowship
Ohio Family Camp
Christ's Church of Lancaster, OH

**"So Jesus said to them, 'My time
is not yet at hand, but your time is
always opportune.' "**

John 7:6

June 30, 2019!

Christ's Church

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

MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m.

Opening — Jeff Landsgaard, Josiah Sutton

M.C. — Bob Edgar

Stewardship Exhortation — Gary DiPaolo

Communion Meditation — Jerry Hoffman

Preaching — Jay Wilson

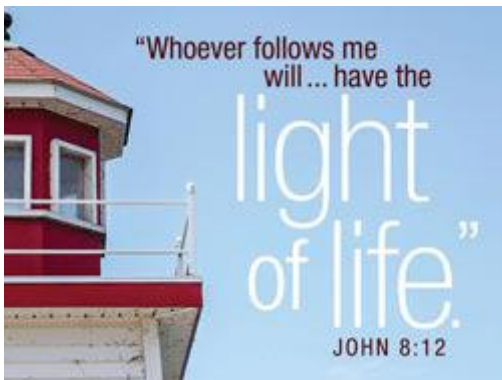
EVENING SCHEDULE:

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

M.C. — Phil Sutton, **George Stone**

Communion Meditation — Bob Woodburn, **Tom McDunn**

Preaching — Jason Shanahan, **Bob Edgar**



This Wednesday,
July 3rd –
7:00 p.m. —
*Character Traits of
Jesus*
– Phil Sutton

Fasting weekend and
potluck — Sat. and
L.D., June 29,30

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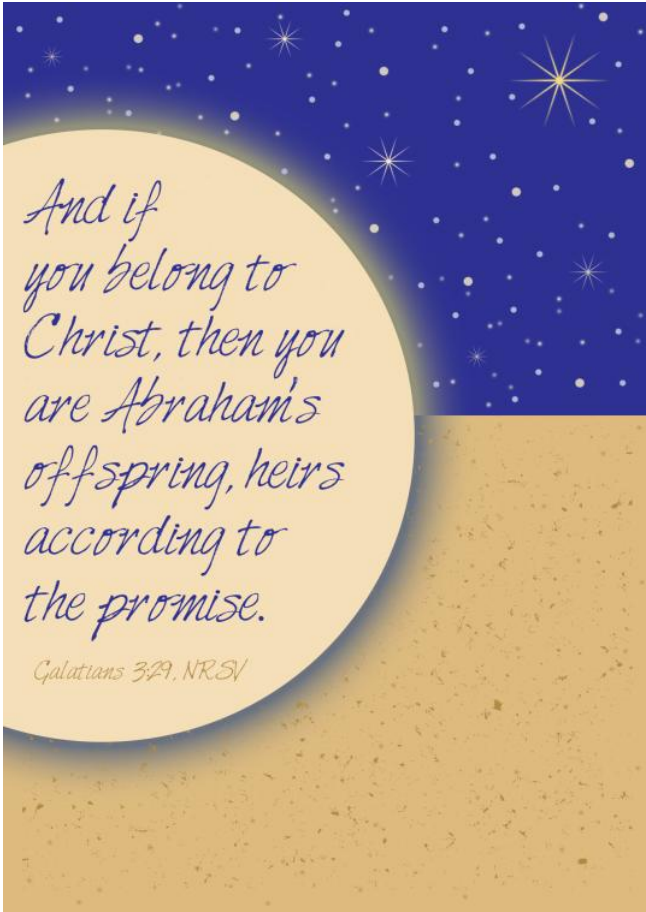
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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



And if
you belong to
Christ, then you
are Abraham's
offspring, heirs
according to
the promise.

Galatians 3:29, NRSV

Question of the week:

When Apollos was preaching in the synagogue at Ephesus, before Priscilla and Aquila met with him, he was accurate on one thing, and needed correction on another. What were those two things?

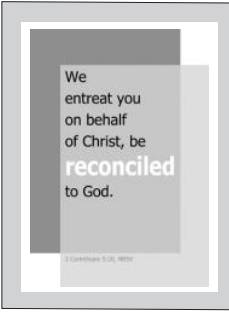
Last week's question: When King Azariah fell through the lattice, he sent messengers to inquire about whether he would recover. To what city did he send, and to what god? *Answer: He sent to the Philistine city of Ekron, and wanted to inquire of the god Baal-zebul (2 Kings 1:6).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 75
Morning Assembly – 101
Evening Assembly – 70

Wednesday Night (6/26) – --
Butte Lord's Day – 21
Great Falls Lord's Day – 42,78

Further Appeal and Recollection



The apostle Paul laid his life on the line for the souls of the brethren in Corinth, and not only in Corinth but also for all the brethren everywhere he preached. Since he suffered in labors, in imprisonments, beatings, and incarcerations for the sake of their eternities, he naturally is very concerned when even one of the brethren is in danger of losing his salvation because of being sucked back into sin. As he explains, "Who is led into sin without my intense concern?" The battle is not just on an individual basis, but it can be on a larger scale as well. "There is the daily pressure on me of concern for all the churches," Paul in his integrity had mentioned. This battle against the prince of darkness who can

disguise himself as an angel of light is on all fronts at all times. Part of that battle was the war against the character and doctrines of the apostle Paul.

- ▼ **Back to "boasting"** — Paul again goes back to his somewhat tongue-in-cheek comment about his "boasting," and in the process introduces the next phase of his comments originating from this stream. "If I have to boast," he remarks, "I will boast of what pertains to my weakness" (2 Corinthians 11:30). What follows, then, is quite a discussion on the "weakness" that Paul experienced in order to keep him from exalting himself. "The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed forever" says the apostle in all sincerity, "knows that I am not lying" (2 Corinthians 11:31).

- ▼ **Example** — After Paul's immersion at the hand of Ananias near Damascus, Paul immediately began preaching in the local synagogues. He indicated in his letter to the Galatians that he then went to Arabia for three years, where he apparently was privileged to walk, by direct revelation, through the same events in the earthly sojourn of Jesus that the other apostles experienced directly. Following this he returned to Damascus, where he describes the events there to the Corinthian brethren. "In Damascus the ethnarch under Aretas the king was guarding the city of the Damascenes in order to seize me, and I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and so escaped his hands" (2 Corinthians 11:32,33). The language the apostle uses is indicative of what could have happened in Damascus under the king had he not been able to free himself: Paul "escaped his hands!!" Hidden in a basket let through a window in the city wall; how weak is that!

- ▼ **Awesome revelations** — The next item on Paul's reasoned presentation to the Corinthians has to do with some awesome revelations he received. "Boasting is necessary, though it is not profitable," he comments, referring to the fact that the enemies of the gospel pushed him to the point where he has to bring these things up in order to silence the opposition, "but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 12:1). What follows is his statement concerning his being "caught up into Paradise," where he heard inexpressible words and experienced "the surpassing greatness of the revelations."

The experience of being caught up into Paradise was so overpowering and surreal that Paul describes it in almost third person terminology. "Boasting is not profitable," he had introduced this section, "but necessary." Speaking, then, as if the man who saw the visions was another person, the apostle goes back to the "boasting" issue. "On behalf of such a man I will boast," he avers, "but on my own behalf I will not boast, except in regard to my weaknesses" (2 Corinthians 12:5). Can the enemies of the gospel match any of this? Clearly not, and once again their mouths are shut.

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