I WILL GIVE YOU THANKS FOREVER, FOR YOU HAVE UPROOTED THE UNRIGHTEOUS, AND ESTABLISHED ME LIKE A GREEN OLIVE TREE IN THE HOUSE OF GOD



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"And everyone went to his home. But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives." John 7:53 - 8:1

March 8, 2020!

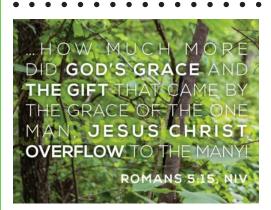
Christ's Church Meeting at 30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman Comfort Inn — Butte

MORNING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 8:45 a.m. Opening — Jay Wilson, Elliot Ashley M.C. — Bob Edgar Stewardship Exhortation — Bob Woodburn Communion Meditation — Steve Doty Preaching — Bob Edgar

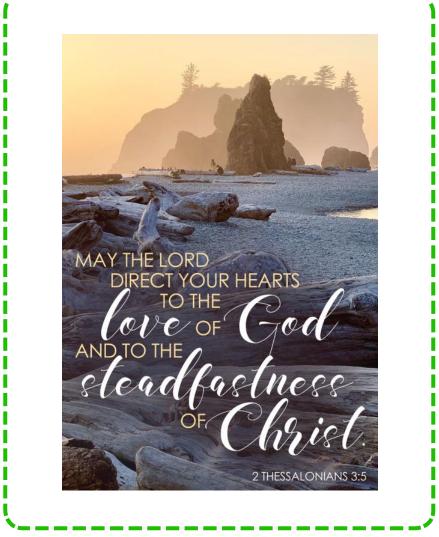
EVENING SCHEDULE:

Bozeman - 7:00 p.m., **Butte - 7:30 p.m.** M.C. — Davis Ashley, **George Stone** Communion Meditation — Jay Shoup, **Kody Mintyala** Preaching — Josiah Sutton, **Jay Wilson**



This Wednesday, Mar. 11th – 7:00 p.m. – Particulars from 1 Peter – Phil Sutton

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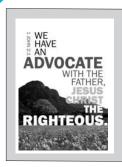
Question of the week:

The lampstand, all of one piece of hammered work, according to the pattern God had shownn Moses, was to have its lamps mounted so that the light shown toward the front. How many lamps were there?

Last week's question: When Jesus told James and John that they would be "baptized" with the baptism with which He was baptized, what baptism was He talking about? Answer: The "baptism" of suffering — see Luke 12:50 and 1 Corinthians 15:29).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 84	Wednesday Night (3/4) — 76
Morning Assembly – 100	Butte Lord's Day – 24
Evening Assembly – 55	GF Lord's Day (Wed) – 53,82,36



Lots of Love from the Letters of John ...

Being Taught All Things

The apostle John says a great deal in a very small space. He takes the entire body of the Holy Spirit's teaching contained in both "the law of Moses" and "the faith of Christ," and condenses it into the phrase "His anointing teaches you about all things" (1 John 2:27). All doctrines connected with Christ emanate from the concept of His anointing—not only His anointing with the Holy Spirit while He was coming up out of the waters of the Jordan, but also His "receiving from the Father the promise of the Spirit" as He took the throne in glory. For example, in a very open prophecy, Daniel predicted that "the Messiah [the Anointed One] will be cut off and have nothing," pointing to His execution on the cross. His

death "put an end to sacrifice and grain offering," inasmuch as the perfect sacrifice obliterated the need for these temporary offerings (Daniel 9:25,26). In another instance, David spoke of a time when the Lord's Anointed would be installed as King "upon Zion" (Psalm 2:6). From being the promised descendant of David according to the flesh, through His crucifixion, on to His exaltation to the right hand of power, "His anointing teaches you about all things."

Abide in Him — The "antichrist movement" began inside the church, and the antichrists were working on members of Christ's body to pull them away from the truth. "They went out from us," John had said. Hence he had also commented, "These things I have written to you concerning those who are trying to deceive you." The deceivers were claiming to have inside information that the apostles did not have. This is one of the reasons why the apostle emphasizes that "His anointing teaches you all things," pointing out in this way that there is no more information to be had other than what was given to the apostles and new covenant prophets. If the saints would hold on to what had been taught them,

they would "abide in Him."

Abide to establish confidence — All the spiritual benefits are repeatedly stated as being "in Christ": *in Christ* there is no condemnation; if anyone is *in Christ*, he is a new creation; saints have been blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places *in Christ*. Thus if a person has been moved away from the hope of the gospel, he loses those benefits. John therefore

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writes, "And now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming" (1 John 2:28). If the brethren want to face Judgment with confidence, they must continue to "abide in Him"!

Jesus' coming — The Old Testament prophets, from Enoch to Malichi, reference the coming of the Lord for the execution of judgment. Jesus Himself often spoke of the surprise nature of His second coming upon a world that neglects to hear or to obey His word. Enoch had prophesied that the Lord would come "to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodly deeds" (Jude 1:15). Malachi had noted that "the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaft; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze" (Malachi 4:1). Thus John appeals, "And now, little children, abide in Him!"

At the end of the line, so to speak, there are only two possibilities concerning where a person will spend eternity: heaven or hell. Any thinking person can clearly see that heaven is the good and sensible choice. But the devil and his deceiving assistants work very hard to get that clear choice obscured, and people's attention misdirected. "Let that abide in you which you heard," John said. "Abide in Him," is John's statement which cannot be over-emphasized, so that those who once walked with Christ will not "shrink away from Him in shame at His coming." An eternity in hell is beyond comprehension, but that is the "end of the line" for the deceiving antichrists, who are themselves deceived.