

**GIVE EAR TO MY PRAYER, O GOD;
AND DO NOT HIDE YOURSELF
FROM MY SUPPLICATION**



Dr. Jon Reijgers giving the “charge” to the graduating class of 2020
Luke Jacobs, Elisa Wilson, Gunnar Landsgaard
Bozeman Christian School
Christ’s Church, Bozeman, MT

“ ‘I have many things to speak and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and the things which I heard from Him, these I speak to the world.’ They did not realize that He had been speaking to them about the Father.”

John 8:26,27

July 26, 2020!

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

401 W. Park St. — Butte

BOZEMAN 8:45 - (Gunnar Landsgaard)

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

Stewardship - Jeff Landsgaard

L.S. - Joe Shanahan

Preaching - Jeff Hostetter

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Tom McDunn

Preaching - Jay Wilson

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Opening

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

Stewardship - Dan McDunn

L.S. - Nathan Zech

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman prayer and fasting for evangelism and getting past COVID-19 Lord's Day, July 26

Great Falls - Congratulations to *Andrew Espino*, who was immersed into Christ on Lord's Day, July 19 by Caleb Wilson!! Andrew works night shift for Home Depot.



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm: Luke Wilson with evangelism PowerPoint presentation

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm: Video on how we got the King James Bible

Pot luck Aug. 2 at Lion's Park following assembly

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christchurchonline.com
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and Innerman Radio on youtube

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Family Camp 2020 — Sept. 4-7



these things
I have spoken
to you that my
joy may be in
you and that
your joy
may be full

JOHN 15:11, ESV

Question of the week:

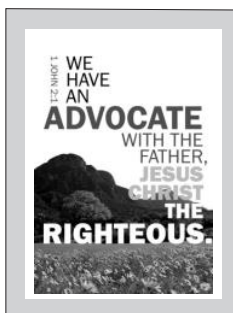
When the apostle Paul was explaining that the Law makes all the world accountable to God, he mentioned that the knowledge of something comes through the Law. What is it?

Last week's question: Men from the tribe of Gad defected to David in the wilderness while he was still at odds with King Saul; the least was described as equal to what number, and the greatest equal to what number? *Answer: City: Least equal to a hundred, greatest equal to a thousand (2 Chronicles 12:14).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 91
Morning Assembly – 105
Evening Assembly – --

Wednesday Night (7/22) – 61
Butte Lord's Day – 18
GF Lord's Day (Wed) – -46,52,40



Lots of Love from the Letters of John ...

God is Love

Satan hates God, and Satan hates man. Satan is a liar and the father of lies, and he hates the truth. The great deceiver knows he is going into the hell fire, and he hates mankind so much that he is trying to drag every son and daughter of Adam and Eve down with him. He thus engages in deception. He collaborates with the other demonic forces who use "liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron" to confuse people, and to turn people away from the apostles' doctrine so that they too follow the downward path into the lake of fire. God, however, loves people, and it is not His desire to send people into Gehenna, "the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matthew 25:42). "God our Savior," said the apostle Paul, "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:3,4). The war, then, for the eternal souls of men is between God and Satan, between love and hate. And each adult-level person is choosing one of those options.

- ◆ **Love one another** — The apostle John keeps circling back to "love." The antichrists working inside the congregations in John's day were pretending to be loving, pretending to care with their flattering words and ear-tickling comments. But they in fact were the epitomes of *hate*, and were doing their utmost to persuade saints to follow their Christ-denying doctrines into the pits of hell. "Beloved, let us love one another," appeals the apostle, "for love is from God" (1 John 4:7). It is important to re-emphasize that godly love is concerned about the other person's eternity, and will teach the true doctrines of Christ and His salvation; any teachings that are counter to these is not "love" at all. Thus when the apostle appeals that the brethren love one another, that love is to include the teachings that would refute the doctrines of the Gnostic antichrists. Such love is the true love that is from God; apologizing or making excuses for the Gnostic philosophies is in fact the opposite of love.
- ◆ **God is love** — In order for a person to love others in the new covenant sense, by definition that person would have to be a Christian. Only a Christian can bear "the fruit of the Spirit," the first listing being that of "love" (Galatians 5:22,23). John's statement, then, is implicit that "everyone who loves is born of God and knows God." The apostle continues the thought, noting, "The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love" (1 John 4:8). Any person can make the claim that he loves God and that he knows God; the question would be whether God verifies those claims. The apostle is making it very clear that only a person who stands for the truth of the gospel of the glory of Jesus Christ and the apostles' doctrine loves God and knows God. All other claimants are discounted in the courts of heaven.

"THEY FIX THEIR EYES ON JESUS ABOVE AND MARCH THROUGH THE OBSTACLES."

Love and truth are just different faces of the same coin. "God is love," is certainly true, and just as certain is the statement of Jesus that He is "the truth." God, "who cannot lie" (Titus 1:2), is not happy with liars and those who teach lies as doctrines. Thus, those who tell lies and teach unscriptural doctrines are agents of satanic-driven hate; such were the antichrists. The saints of God, by major contrast, love the brethren by teaching the truth, by helping struggling brethren in compassionate ways, and reaching out to the lost with the gospel. They love "in deed and truth" as well as "with word or with tongue" (1 John 3:18). They take up their crosses daily, and deny themselves for the sake of the gospel. They are not swayed by peer pressure or the appeal of earth's accolades; they fix their eyes on Jesus above, and march through the obstacles of persecution and ridicule because they love the truth and they love souls. "God is love," and they in imitation of God (Ephesians 5:1) exhibit His character to the world.

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