

WHEN I AM AFRAID, I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN YOU



Kaden Reijgers, recently immersed into Christ
giving a well-prepared and thought-out message for opening
Christ's Church
Bozeman, MT

**“The Jews therefore said to Him, ‘You
are not yet fifty years old, and have
you seen Abraham?’ Jesus said to
them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, before
Abraham was born, I AM!’ ”**

John 8:57,58

“Getting the Lord’s work done in 2021!!”

January 24, 2021

Christ’s Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

400 W. Park St. — Butte

BOZEMAN 8:45 - Josiah Sutton

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

Stewardship - Bob Edgar

L.S. - Matthew Wilson

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

L.S. - Andrew Wallace

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Gabe Clark

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

Stewardship - Jared DuPaul

L.S. - Nathan Zech

Preaching - Jay Wilson

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Cole Hunsicker

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman -

Fasting/potluck weekend Jan. 30,31

Butte -

Fellowship dinner - Feb. 21



He will
cover you
with his
feathers,
and under
his wings
you will
find refuge.

PSALM 91:4, NIV

BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:
Phil Sutton on 1 Peter

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:
Jay Wilson - Creation
vs. Evolution Power-
Points and videos

Great Falls -

Potluck - Feb. 7

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

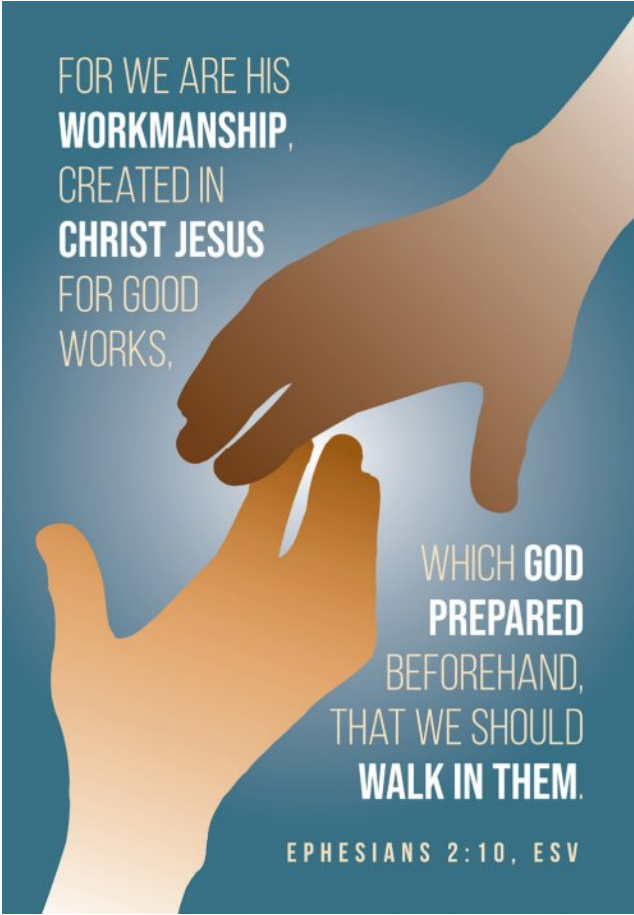
Bible Bowl - Sat. Mar. 13 at Bozeman

MT Ladies' Advance April 8-10 - Billings ladies

Badlands Family Camp - May 28-31

Men's PEAKS - July 22-24, 2021

2021 Family Camp - Sept. 3-6



FOR WE ARE HIS
WORKMANSHIP,
CREATED IN
CHRIST JESUS
FOR GOOD
WORKS,

WHICH GOD
PREPARED
BEFOREHAND,
THAT WE SHOULD
WALK IN THEM.

EPHESIANS 2:10, ESV

Question of the week:

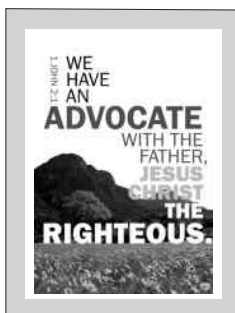
In a prophecy from Isaiah quoted in Matthew's gospel account, wherein the prophet spoke of a battered reed and a smoldering wick, he also mentioned a group of people twice. What was that group of people?

Last week's question: When Isaac dug a new well, he named it "Shibah" because he obtained an oath from the local Philistines that there would be no more quarreling over the wells. What southernmost town in Israel got its name from this well? *Answer: Beersheba (Genesis 26:33).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 99
Morning Assembly – 112
Evening Assembly – 66

Wednesday Night (1/20) – 88
Butte Lord's Day – 16
GF Lord's Day (Wed) – 56,73 W-56



Lots of Love from the Letters of John ...

A Dangerous Movement Within

Most of the false doctrinal issues that the apostle Paul and others dealt with were doctrines that were from outside the early church. The issue of the law of Moses and its relationship to the new covenant teaching was from outside; it was a holdover from the fact that most of the early Christians were first Jewish. That this pressure was from outside is evident in one of Paul's statements to the Galatian Christians over the issue of compelling those of Gentile background to be circumcised and keep the Law: "Those who desire to make a good showing in the flesh," said he of those of Jewish background being pressured by Jewish society, "try to compel you to be circumcised, simply that they may not be persecuted for the

cross of Christ" (Galatians 6:12). But the antichrist movement that the apostle John is trying to forestall is a movement that came from within the church, which presented a little different set of challenges. Because it was a movement that began within, those who were a part of it tended to get the brethren off track and to pull those early congregations apart. Commenting on this in his first epistle, John had noted, "They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us" (1 John 2:19). They were within, but they went out and went on.

▼ **Going too far** — In writing to "the chosen lady," the apostle is really working hard to warn the brethren as to the danger of these antichrist doctrines, and what is the end for those who promote them. "Watch yourselves," he had stated, "that you may receive a full reward" (2 John 1:8). He then discusses the antichrists themselves, who had started inside the church of the Lord. "Anyone who goes too far and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God" (2 John 1:9). When these people backed away from the basic teachings concerning Christ—that He came in the flesh, died a physical death on the cross, and was bodily raised from the dead—they separated themselves from any fellowship they might have had with the Father. What a horrible eternal loss!!

▼ **Encouragement** — The pressures on the true brethren to bend were real, intense, and persistent. How encouraging, then, these words from the apostle, "the one who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son." Properly understood, there is no greater blessing than to be in fellowship with the Father and the Son.

▼ **How the saint should handle himself** — The real question arises, "How do I conduct myself when I encounter those who have gone out from us as antichrists?" These charlatans were, in accordance with a clearly dishonest nature and a driving agenda, working on the faithful brethren to get them to come over to participate in their false doctrine. "If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching [solid doctrine]," says the apostle John and the Holy Spirit, "do not receive him into your house, and do not give him a greeting; for the one who gives him a greeting participates in his evil deeds" (2 John 1:10,11). That possibly seems brutal and running counter to social norms, but that is the instruction of the Holy Spirit Himself.

The apostle would like to write more on the subject for the brethren, but there apparently is a lot of pressure on the saints, and what he has to say, he needs to say in person. "Having many things to write to you, I do not want to do so with paper and ink; but I hope to come to you and speak face to face, that your joy may be made full. The children of your chosen sister greet you" (2 John 1:12,13). He looks forward to greeting the brethren personally, and he knows these battered saints will likewise be happy to see him as well. And the letter closes with greetings from what is apparently a sister congregation.

THE ONE WHO
ABIDES IN THE
TEACHING HAS BOTH
THE FATHER AND
THE SON.

JAY WILSON