

**Be gracious to me, O God, be  
gracious to me, for my soul takes  
refuge in You**



One of six teams from Great Falls, “Da Corint Peopo”  
winners of the spiritual award  
2021 Bible Bowl  
at Christ’s Church in Bozeman

**“And they said to [the formerly blind man],  
‘Where is He?’ He said, ‘I do not know.’ ”**  
***John 9:12***

*"Getting the Lord's work done in 2021!!"*

**April 18, 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 - Kaden Reijgers**

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Tommy Widner

L.S. - Davis Ashley

Preaching - Luke Wilson

**L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -**

L.S. - Scott Schweitzer

**GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Bobo Womagno**

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Caleb Wilson

L.S. - Cody Kruck

Preaching - Jay Wilson

**BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes**

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Cole Hunsicker

Preaching - Jay Wilson

**Bozeman -**

**April fasting and prayer - April 24,25. Fellowship dinner April 25 (theme: Mexican)**

**Butte -**

**April 18 - Fellowship dinner, 6:30 pm**



**BOZEMAN -**

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

**BOZEMAN AWARDS - MAY 21**

**GREAT FALLS AWARDS - MAY 26**

**MISSOULA AWARDS - MAY 26**

**BILLINGS AWARDS - MAY 26**

**GREAT FALLS -**

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

**Great Falls -**

**April 18 - Prayer and fasting Lord's Day**

**Sat. April 24 - "Mighty Men" and "Growing God's Flowers"**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Badlands Family Camp - May 28-31**

**Lancaster, OH, Family Camp - May 28-31**

**MT Youth Camp - June 13-18 (look for reg. forms by April 30)**

**Men's PEAKS - July 22-24, 2021**

**2021 Family Camp - Sept. 3-6**

**GOD  
ABIDES IN  
THOSE WHO CONFESS THAT  
JESUS  
IS THE  
SON OF GOD,  
AND THEY  
ABIDE IN  
GOD.**

**1 JOHN 4:15, NRSV**

**Question of the week:**

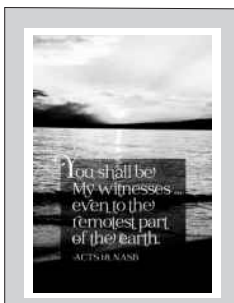
When the gospel according to Luke describes the Pharisees as lovers of money, it also describes their reaction to Jesus' preaching about stewardship. What was their reaction?

Last week's question: After Moses died and was buried as described in Deuteronomy, Moses was depicted as a special prophet who knew the Lord in a special way. What was that special way? *Answer: The Lord knew him "face to face" (Deuteronomy 34:10).*

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Bible School – 96  
Morning Assembly – 123  
Evening Assembly – 73

Wednesday Night (4/14) – 82  
Butte Lord's Day – 21  
GF Lord's Day (Wed) – 70, 82, W-59



Acts Alive ...

## *We Cannot Stop Speaking*

The apostles Peter and John took Jesus' command to preach the gospel to all creation seriously. By God's design they began that preaching in the Temple, where they could always be assured of having enough people present to generate an audience. "And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple guard, and the Sadducees, came upon them, being greatly disturbed because they were teaching the people and *proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead*" (Acts 4:1,2).

The nature of proclamation is apparently hard for people to understand. Didn't apostles know, one might ask, that the Sadducees (who controlled the Temple) didn't believe in the resurrection from the dead? Surely the apostles could have chosen a less offensive place to proclaim in Jesus the resurrection from the dead! But the nature of proclamation is such that it is less concerned with the response it gets, and the circumstances under which its terms are announced than it is with simply getting the message out! That's why Paul's instructions to Timothy were to preach the word in season and out of season.

So the apostles stood in the heart of anti-resurrection country and *proclaimed* the resurrection of Jesus! That takes courage, and in worldly terms, is simply not smart. The results were predictable—JAIL!

The next day these two apostles were in the presence of their judges. The "rulers and elders and scribes were gathered together in Jerusalem," along with all the high priestly party. The challenge began: "By what power, or in what name, have you done this?" (Acts 4:7). Were they cowed? Were they silent in the presence of such an august assembly? No! They (especially Peter) proclaimed the message of Jesus.

Peter is described as being filled with the Holy Spirit; the Spirit was giving him a perfectly designed and inspired message. The apostle began by asking the judges if there was a problem with the crippled man being healed. Since the judges assembled would have to say that there was no problem with that, then Peter followed that up with this driving comment. "Let it be known to you," he said, "and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, *whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead*—by this name this man stands here before you in good health" (Acts 4:10). Again,

the key point is that the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene would have no power unless Jesus were in fact raised from the dead!

Then Peter begins to thrust the sword of the Spirit into the hearts of the Jewish hierarchy. Quoting from Psalm 118, a prophetic look at Jesus' ascension to glory as the chief cornerstone in the true temple of God, Peter gives the inspired interpretation: "He is the stone which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the very cornerstone" (Acts 4:11). They rejected Him because He was not "shaped" in accordance to their desires, and they made certain He was executed.

But there is another huge point to be brought forward. "And there is salvation in no one else," averred the apostle, "for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). Salvation, for all men, is found only in the *name of Jesus*; hence all but those who have been properly immersed in the *name of Jesus* for the remission of their sins and to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit are lost! Clearly those of the Sanhedrin fit that category at that point.

Being unable to counter the apostles' argumentation, the Council conferred privately, and came to the conclusion that they could not deny the miracle, but they could order Peter and John "to speak no more to any man in this name." But after being commanded not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus, Peter and John replied, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; for *we cannot stop speaking* what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). May modern saints carry on!!

**"We cannot stop speaking of what we have seen and heard."**

JAY WILSON