Before your pots can feel the fire of thorns, He will sweep the wicked away with a whirlwind, the green and the burning alike



Kyle and Jane Hinebauch enjoying some good fellowship after a fine steak meal Hinebauch Ranch in the badlands near Glendive, MT

And the blind man said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped Him. Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see; and that those who see may become blind."

John 9:38,39

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

September 19, 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 - Elliot Ashley 9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Chris Gothard L.S. - Tommy Widner Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

L.S. - Matthew Wilson

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Jared DuPaul

L.S. - Mike Cooper Preaching - Jay Wilson **Butte** - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Tracy Baker

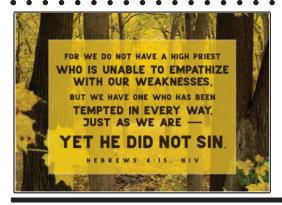
Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman -

Young adults fellowship (18-29) -

Sat. Sept. 25, 5:30 pm. A Guys Night and a Girls Night. For more info and to be put on text list, contact Andrew at 406-595-1220

Fasting - Sept. 25,26 **Fellowship dinner** following assembly Sept. 26



Bozeman -

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

Great Falls - Wed. night, 7:00 pm: "Judgment Day" (intel-

ligent design on trial)

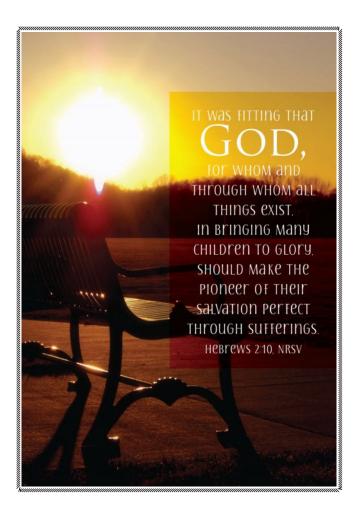
Butte -

Fellowship dinner - Lord's Day, Sept. 19, 6:30 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spiritual Warriors' Weekend - Oct. 29,30

Congratulations to *Alina Jacobs*, who was immersed into Christ on Thurs. Sept. 16 by Luke Wilson in her grandparents' hot tub!! Alina is an extremely capable young lady, daughter of Charlie and Denya Jacobs, and currently works for 406 Cleaning Company.



Question of the week:

In Galatians chapter 4, the apostle Paul used the relationship between Sarah and Hagar to illustrate the difference between the old covenant people and the new. What quotation from this portion of Genesis shows that the physical Jews were no longer God's people.

Last week's question: Isaiah prophesied that Jesus' ministry would be in Galilee; in that same prophecy, what did he say about those who walk in darkness? Answer: That they would see a great light (Isaiah 9:2).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School — 97 Morning Assembly — 128 Evening Assembly — 88 Wednesday Night (9/15) — 78 Butte Lord's Day — 10 GF Lord's Day — 14 (78 at camp),*Wed. - 54* Tou shall be:

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of the earth.

Acts Alive ...

The Assembly at Troas

After Paul left Ephesus, he traveled through Greece, speaking to the congregations in Macedonia and Achaia. As he was preparing to leave Corinth, he found that a group of Jews was plotting to kill him as he set sail for Antioch, so he changed his mind and went north by land through Macedonia, As he was bringing the offering from the Gentile congregations in Macedonia, Achaia, and elsewhere, he was accompanied by designated men from the congregations to make sure everything was handled properly, as Paul expressed it in his preparatory letter to the Corinthians: "For we have regard for what is honorable, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men" (II Corinthians 8:21).

Since Paul could not sail on the ship because of the murder plot, these men sailed to Troas with the agreement to meet Paul there. In the meantime, Paul picked up Luke in Philippi "after the days of Unleavened Bread, and came to them at Troas within five days; and there we stayed seven days. And on the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul began talking to them, intending to depart the next day, and he prolonged his message to midnight. And there were many lamps in the upper room where we were gathered together" (Acts 20:6-8).

This is the only assembly of the saints we are permitted to view directly in the pages of the New Testament. Let us note, then, some of the important points in this assembly:

 This was a regular gathering, which was customary throughout all the churches, on the first day of the week. Paul and his traveling companions had to stay seven

days to catch all the saints gathered together, and they knew ahead of time this would happen on the day after the Sabbath.

- The purpose for this gathering was "for the breaking of the loaf" [to break bread], another name in this instance for the Lord's Supper.

 They met in the upper room of someone's house in Troas, where there were many lights.

- Paul took advantage of this opportunity when the saints were assembled to preach to them.

The saints took advantage of having so worthy an instructor as Paul as to be willing to stay up all night to listen to him.

 A young man named Eutychus fell out the third-floor window when he was overcome by sleep while Paul was talking. Paul went down, raised him from the dead, and brought him back up with him.

 They "broke bread", a regular meal in contrast to the Lord's Supper, after this midnight fall.

- Paul talked with the brethren until daybreak, and then he and his companions walked to Assos, some 30 miles away.

It is of significance to us that the expression "first day of the week" was not a one time occurrence. Just as the expression "the Sabbath" refers to every Saturday observance of the Jews, the [more literally] "day after the Sabbath" refers to the Sunday observance of the Christians.

It is also significant that the primary focus of their assembling was to share in "the breaking of the loaf", an expression for the Lord's Supper. Hence it was that the first day of the week came to be known as "the Lord's Day" (Revelation 1:10) because primitive Christians assembled then to celebrate the Lord's death on the day of the week He rose from the dead.

As we work to restore primitive and powerful Christianity, let us meet in our congregations on the first day of the week to break bread. And let's be willing to put in that extra time on special occasions, as in Troas, to learn more about the word of the kingdom.

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Let us meet on the first day of the week "for the breaking of the loaf."