

**YOU, O LORD GOD OF HOSTS, THE GOD OF  
ISRAEL, AWAKE TO PUNISH THE NATIONS**



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Christ Church  
Everett, PA

**“Jesus therefore said to them, ‘Truly,  
truly, I say to you, I am the door of the  
sheep. All who came before Me are  
thieves and robbers, but the sheep did  
not hear them.’ ”**

***John 10:7,8***

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

**November 14, 2021**

## Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

Holiday Inn Express — Butte

**BOZEMAN - 8:45** - Elliot Ashley

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Josiah Sutton

L.S. - Steven Doty

Preaching - Luke Wilson

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

L.S. - Brent Dschaak

**GREAT FALLS - 2:45** - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Zac Zech

L.S. - Nathan Zech

Preaching - Jay Wilson

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

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Sonny LaBuff

Preaching - Jay Wilson

**Bozeman** -

Nov Fasting/Potluck Nov. 20,21.

Potluck theme: Family Holiday

Favorites

**Butte** -

Nov. 21 -- Fellowship dinner, 6:30

pm



**BOZEMAN -**

**Wed. night,** 7:00 pm:

Phil Sutton on 1 Peter

**GREAT FALLS -**

**Wed. night,** 7:00 pm:

**"Is Genesis History"**  
video presentation

**Great Falls**

Prayer and fasting for evangelism -

Lord's Day Nov. 21

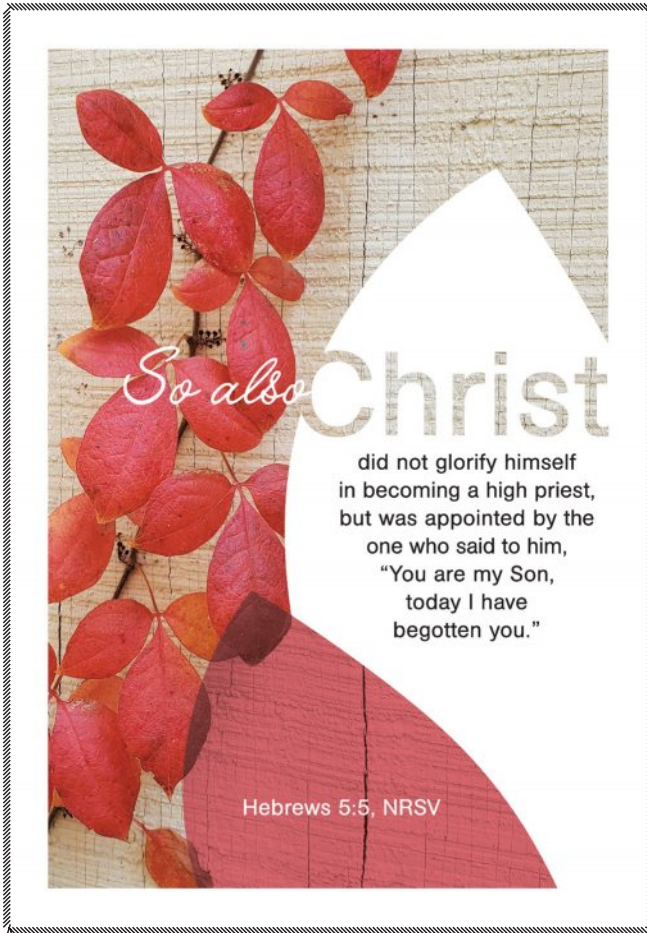
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**South Carolina Men's Retreat** - Dec. 10-12

**Bible Bowl** - Mar. 12, 2022

**Men's Peaks** - July 21-23, 2022

**Family Camp** - Sept. 2-5, 2022



### Question of the week:

What was sprinkled on the “book” of the Mosaic covenant and even the people themselves as a foreshadow of the “sprinkled” blood of Christ?

Last week's question: When Ezekiel was told to make a model of Jerusalem under seige, and to lay on his left and right sides respectively, representing their years of iniquity, he has also told to prophecy. What was he to do with his arm? *Answer: With his arm "bared," he as to prophesy against Jerusalem (Ezekiel 4:7)*

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 94  
Morning Assembly – 123  
Evening Assembly – 64

Wednesday Night (11/10) – 75  
Butte Lord's Day – 16  
GF Lord's Day – 67,84, Wed. - 49



Acts Alive ...

## “Take Courage”

“The Lord knows how to deliver His elect.” Certainly the apostle Paul had learned the truth of that statement by personal experience. Trapped in the temple, rescued by Roman soldiers, on trial before the Sanhedrin, dogged by a murderous conspiracy — all he could do was to trust in the Lord who raises the dead. In the midst of this, in the middle of the night, the Lord stood at Paul’s side and said, “Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause in Jerusalem, so you must witness in Rome also” (Acts 23:11).

Make no mistake about it — the most important priority to Jesus is to have the message of His cause spread. Paul in chains had testified concerning the risen Christ in Jerusalem, and would testify in Rome. Between Jerusalem and Rome...many other opportunities.

As Jesus had told the other apostles when He sent them out two-by-two: “They will deliver you to the courts, and scourge you in the synagogues; and you shall even be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles” (Matthew 10:17,18). Apparently court proceedings and conflict are a good way to get the message of Jesus and His salvation to those who need to hear. Consequently, to those who are going to take the message—in chains—into the courts, Jesus says, “Take courage,” as He stands alongside.

“Take courage” is an interesting translation. A little more literal expression is, “Be of good courage.” The general idea, however, is that “courage” is available and that the individual saint can make a decision to have that courage, and such courage has been a long theme of the scripture. The first instruction given to Joshua was to “Be strong and courageous” as he prepared to be the leader of God’s forces for the first time as they began the onslaught on the land west of the Jordan (Joshua 1:6). As Jesus began to prepare the apostles for what would happen when they began to preach the gospel of Christ, He told them, “In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). It is therefore not surprising if the Lord in a vision should stand by Paul in the middle of the night and tell him, “Take courage,” as the apostle prepared for the unknown journey to Rome in chains.

After being whisked out of Jerusalem in the dead of night by an armed Roman escort to Antipatris, Paul was taken to the governor’s residence at Caesarea to await trial before the Roman authority. Five days later Ananias the high priest, some elders, and an attorney named Tertullus stated the nature of Paul’s capital (worthy of death) crimes: “We have found this man a real pest and a fellow who stirs up dissension among the Jews throughout the world, and ringleader of the Sect of the Nazarenes. And he even tried to desecrate the temple...” (Acts 24:5,6).

Paul’s defense:

- He had gone up to Jerusalem no more than twelve days earlier, and carried on no discussions in the temple or the synagogues to cause a riot.
- They could not prove any charges of desecrating the temple by him.
- “But this I admit to you,” said he, “that according to the Way which they call a sect I do serve the God of our Fathers” (Acts 24:14)
- He believed everything that was in accordance with the Law and the Prophets —He had a hope in God that there certainly will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked.
- He came to present alms to the Jewish nation, to present offerings, and to be purified in the temple without any uproar. If charges were to be brought, it ought to be by certain Jews from the province of Asia.
- These men—Ananias the high priest, and the elders—were challenged to testify concerning any misdeed they found when Paul stood before the Council [the Sanhedrin].
- The issue was the one statement he made before the Council: “For the resurrection of the dead I am on trial before you today.”

That’s it! That’s what Jesus wanted the issue to be—the hope and resurrection from the dead! And His messengers today must also take courage—and stand before judges and governors with that same proclamation!

Jesus wants to issue to be “the hope and resurrection of the dead.”