

**“THEN DANIEL REPLIED WITH DISCRETION AND
DISCERNMENT...” -- DANIEL 2:14**



Cole Hunsicker engages in conversation
while Hailey Hunsicker signs as a wedding witness
Boulder, MT
Christ's Church in Butte

**“...for it is God who is as work in you,
both to will and to work for His good
pleasure.”**

Philippians 2:13

“Follow through in 2022!!”

March 13, 2022

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

Prayer med – Brian Schweitzer

L.S. - Jason Shanahan

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

L.S. - Jerry Hoffman

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Tracy Baker

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman

Ladies’ night; Mar. 22 - 7:00 pm at the Hoffmans. Bring snacks or desserts to share

Young Adults Fellowship – Sat. Mar.

19, 6:00 pm at the church building.

Live action game of CLUE. Dinner at building. For more info call Andrew

Butte

Fellowship dinner -Mar. 20, 6:30 pm

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St’dship - Caleb Wilson

L.S. - Brad Smith

Preaching - Jay Wilson



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Phil Sutton on 2 Peter

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

“Perfectionism” - Jay

Wilson presentation

and debate video

Montana Youth Camp

- June 12-17

- Beartooth Campground

S. of Columbus

Great Falls

Prayer and fasting – Mar. 20

College-ish Fellowship weekend:

March 25-27, Camp Utmost

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

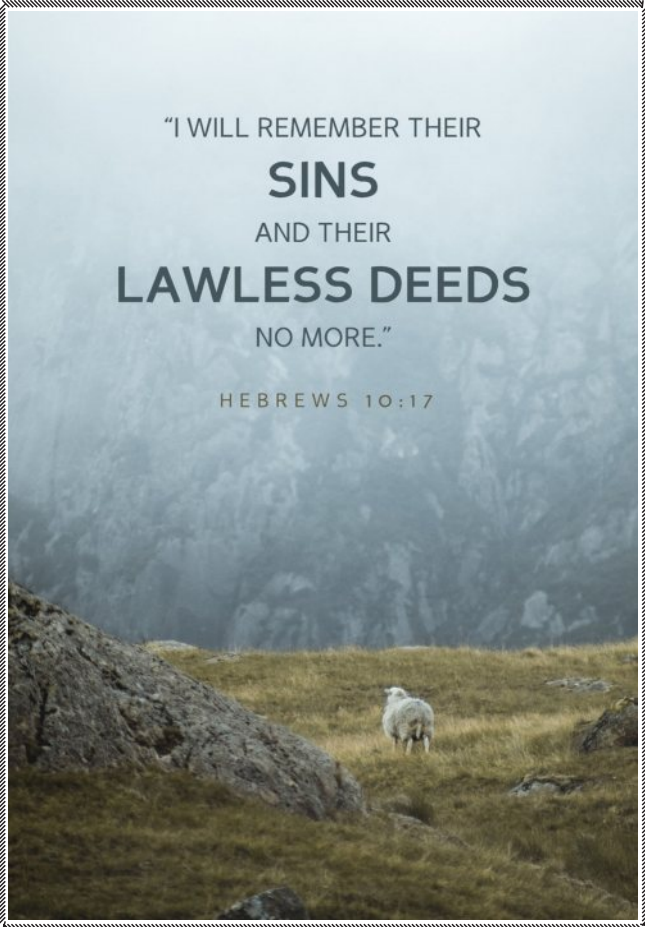
Ladies’ Advance - April 14-16

Lancaster Family Camp - May 27-30

Badlands Family Camp - May 27-30

Men’s Peaks - July 21-23, 2022

Family Camp - Sept. 2-5, 2022



"I WILL REMEMBER THEIR
SINS
AND THEIR
LAWLESS DEEDS
NO MORE."

HEBREWS 10:17

Question of the week:

Early on in the wilderness, the people complained because they had no meat, so God brought quail in on the wind. What happened to many Israelites when they started eating the quail?

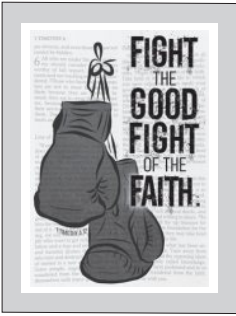
Last week's question: At the mount of transfiguration, how many tabernacles did Peter want to make?
Answer: Three; one each for Moses, Elijah, and Jesus (Mark 9:5).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 87
Morning Assembly – 120
Evening Assembly – 61

Wednesday Night (3/9) – 70
Butte Lord's Day – 13
GF Lord's Day – 67,92 Wed. - 73

“Fight the Good Fight”



There are many temptations for any saint who tries to keep his focus on Christ. Even for someone like Timothy, protégé of the apostle Paul, the pressures from the forces of darkness would be intense. Hence, the apostle has an exhortation (a *command*, even) for the younger man and co-laborer in the gospel. But before the exhortation is issued, Paul reminds Timothy of some important history in the evangelist’s life, and uses that history as a basis for his exhortation.

- **Timothy’s being “set apart”** – What are called gifts or “manifestations” of the Spirit were given by the laying-on-of-hands of one of the apostles. Paul, for example, laid hands on twelve men at Ephesus who had been immersed into Christ after previously hav-

ing been immersed into John’s immersion. When he did so, the men “began speaking with tongues and prophesying” (Acts 19:6). Paul also had laid hands on Timothy. This is how the apostle noted that in the inspired record: “I remind you to kindle afresh the gift of God which is in you through *the laying on of my hands*” (2 Timothy 1:6). Whether Timothy could prophesy or cast out demons or whatever is not recorded for us; but he has at least one of the gifts of the Spirit through Paul’s laying his hands on him. But Timothy received the gift of being an evangelist through the laying on of hands of the eldership (presumably Lystra). “Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you, which was bestowed upon you through prophetic utterance with the laying on of hands by the presbytery [eldership]” (1 Timothy 4:14). Just as Barnabas and Saul of Tarsus were set apart by the laying on of hands by the leadership of the church at Antioch of Syria (Acts 13:1-4) to go and preach to the Gentiles, Timothy was “set apart” to do the work of an evangelist by the laying on of hands of the leadership (the group of elders) of the congregation to which he was closely connected.

- **Prophetic utterance** – In the case of Barnabas and Saul, one of the prophets in Antioch, directed by the Holy Spirit, made a prophetic utterance. Here is how Luke the beloved physician noted the occasion: “And while they [five leading men of Antioch] were ministering to the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, ‘Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.’ ” (Acts 13:2). Notice that in Timothy’s case a similar “prophetic utterance” was tendered, the result of which was that Timothy was set aside to do the work of an evangelist. The apostle Paul, then, refers back to these events when he exhorts his true child in the faith: “This command I entrust to you, Timothy, my son, in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you...” (1 Timothy 1:18).

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the war worth
engaging in!

The Lord is using the church — His saints — to wage war against the forces of darkness. The battle for each soul is raging, as the new covenant writings consistently point out. Timothy is encouraged to “fight the good fight,” not only maintaining his faith for his own soul, but having the character and preaching / teaching power to continue to reach the lost and work with the brethren.

It is a “fight”; it is absolutely brutal spiritual warfare. In the physical realm, troops are recruited, armaments amassed, and armies take the field under swirling banners with navies standing offshore; then the opposing forces proceed to cut each other to pieces. It is comparatively easy to process just how brutal warfare is in the physical realm, both for those who have experienced it firsthand, and for those who have to some degree processed that warfare through actual photographs or verbal pictures. But God wants His children of faith to use the physical as a basis to process the spiritual, and draw the conclusion about the horrific brutality of that war for men’s eternal souls. This war is the one worth engaging in. Timothy, and all moderns, “fight the good fight!”!