

**“Blessed is the Lord who has not left you without a redeemer [Boaz] today, and may his name become famous in Israel.”**  
**-- Ruth 4:14**



Ezra McDunn, of Clinton, MT  
cheering on the teams from Christ's Church in the Clark Fork  
softball league's championship  
Missoula, MT

**“But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ!”**  
***2 Corinthians 10:6***

“Follow through in 2022!!”

## August 21, 2022

### Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

Holiday Inn Express — Butte

**BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Gunnar Landsgaard**

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Andrew Wallace

L.S. - Jim Mitchell

Preaching - Luke Wilson

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

**\*DANIEL**

L.S. - Bob Edgar

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

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Caleb Wilson

L.S. - Zac Zech

Preaching - Jay Wilson

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

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Jay Wilson

Preaching - Jay Wilson

#### Bozeman

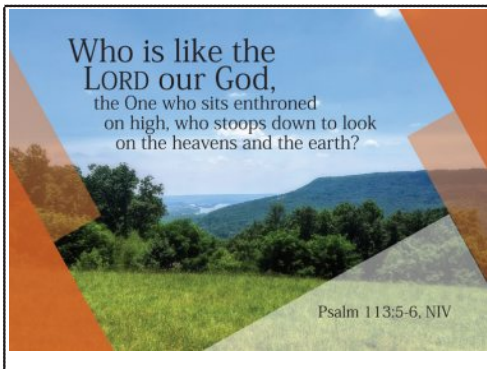
Prayer/Potluck - Aug. 27,28. Potluck following assembly!

Pre-Family Camp Young Adult

Fellowship Cookout - Fri. Sept. 2 - Nick Jacobs' place, 4:00 pm, BBQ and volleyball

#### Butte

Aug. 21 - Fellowship dinner 6:30 pm



**BOZEMAN -**

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

*Epistle of Titus*

**Phil Sutton**

**GREAT FALLS -**

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

Jay Wilson – “Conviction”

#### Great Falls

L.D. Aug. 21 - Prayer and fasting

Backyard movie - Sat. Aug. 27

School Meeting - Mon. Aug. 29

L.D. Sept. 4 – Assembly at 3:00 pm. No classes due Family Camp

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Family Camp - Sept. 2-5-Theme: “The Way”**

**Ladies' Advance - April 13-15, 2023, Hampton Inn, Great Falls**



Pursue  
righteousness, godliness,  
FAITH, love, steadfastness,  
gentleness.

1 Timothy 6:11 ESV

### Question of the week:

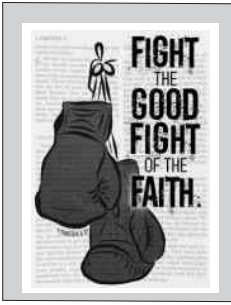
When Paul wrote to the congregation at Corinth, at one point he made a comparison in telling them to be imitators of him. What was that comparison?

Last week's question: Who is the most visible leader in the days of Joshua (Jeshua) the son of Jozadak, the high priest, and who got the foundation of temple relaid, and the temple eventually rebuilt? *Answer: Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel (ancestor of Jesus on both Joseph's and Mary's genealogies) (Ezra 3:8).*

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 87  
Morning Assembly – 110  
Evening Assembly – 86

Wednesday Night (8/17) – 71  
Butte Lord's Day – 14  
GF Lord's Day – 58,71 Wed. - 42



## The Epistles to the Evangelists

### *Nourished on Words*

“You foolish ones,” was Jesus’ pointed remark to the Pharisees, “did not He who made the outside [of man] make the inside also?” (Luke 11:40). God created the entire earth as a giant ecosystem designed to support and sustain the outer man. “Everything created by God is good,” the apostle Paul had stated, “and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with gratitude” (1 Timothy 4:4). That is a tremendous amount of creative genius and technical capability, just to feed the outer man. So what about the inner man?

● **Backdrop** – The apostle’s comments to Timothy, as would be expected, build upon another. He had pointed out that he was writing these things to his son in the faith, that Timothy might know how to conduct himself in the church, the “pillar and support of truth.” He

reminded the evangelist of the basics of the “confession” concerning Christ, and warned of a coming apostasy. In that context, Paul made his comments about how the forces of confusion would introduce doctrines forbidding marriage and the abstinence from certain foods, and how everything created can be used for food. But the focus is on the inner man. “In pointing out these things [summarized above] to the brethren, you will be a good servant of Jesus Christ” (1 Timothy 4:6).

- **Teaching the brethren** – The apostle emphasizes “pointing out” these basic doctrines and concepts to the brethren. It is pretty clear that Paul expects that Timothy will engage in teaching and preaching in some depth, and working through issues that some brethren in Ephesus would consider controversial. The apostle led by example, reminding the elders of this same congregation that he “did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable,” and that he “did not shrink from declaring to you the whole purpose of God” (Acts 20:20; 20:27). Timothy was in this way admonished to be “a good servant of Jesus Christ.” The model, then, is depth of teaching on all topics; not “spiritual cotton candy” designed to bring people into a modern entertainment circus!
- **Constantly nourished** – God designed the need for “daily bread” for the outer man to help His children of faith process the need for “daily spiritual bread” for the inner man. The terminology of the apostle is “nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound doctrine which you have been following.” Timothy himself was thus to be constantly nourished, and to be in the process of providing that nourishment to the brethren as well.
- **Words of “the faith”** – “The faith” is an expression of the entire belief system based on what Jesus Christ brought into the world by virtue of that great “mystery of godliness”; everything from His coming in the flesh through to His ascension into glory itself. This new covenant doctrine, in the context of 1 Timothy, is somewhat in juxtaposition to words of “the Law.”
- **Words of “sound doctrine”** – “Doctrine” means “teaching,” in this context a body of teaching comprising the entire new covenant instruction. “Sound doctrine,” an expression commonly used by the apostle in these epistles, means that the system of thought sometimes termed “the faith of Christ” is taught in its entirety and without deviation from its terms and its principles. It is “sound” because it is based on firmly established truth.

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Paul commends Timothy, commenting that it is the words of the faith and sound doctrine “which you have been following.” He urges his charge to continue on that path, stating “have nothing to do with worldly fables fit only for old women” (1 Timothy 4:7). There is a tendency on the part of some to get carried away by the “wild and wonderful” fables (flat out “fiction”) that some who are skilled “story-spinners” are able to foist on an undiscerning audience. There are those who are adept at weaving together tales that “warm the heart” and “stir the emotions,” particularly directed at the female audience. The warning is absolutely clear for Timothy and moderns: stick with sound doctrine and the words of the faith!”