

**“The glory of the LORD filled the house.
The priests could not enter into the house
of the LORD because the glory of the
LORD filled the LORD’S house.”
-- 2 Chronicles 7:1,2**



Photo of crowd under the big tent
Family Camp '23
Christ's Church
Bozeman, MT

**And it shall be that everyone who calls on the
name of the Lord will be saved.”**

Acts 2:21

“Victory in 2023!!”

October 15, 2023



Christ’s Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman
2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls
Holiday Inn Express — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Joe Shanahan

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St’dship - Tyson Jacobs

L.S. - Tommy Widner

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

*** ELLIOT ASHLEY - POWERPOINT**

L.S. - Joe Shanahan

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Jared DuPaul

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St’dship - Caleb Wilson

L.S. - Rick Vaught

Preaching - Brad Smith

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - George Stone

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman

Prayer/Fasting for evangelism - Oct. 21,22

Fellowship dinner following assembly Oct. 22; Theme: football tailgate

Butte

Fellowship dinner - Oct. 15, 6:30 pm



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Book of Hebrews

Luke Wilson

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Jay Wilson

Great Falls

Prayer and fasting - Oct. 15

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spiritual Warriors’ Weekend - Oct. 27,28

Bible Bowl - Mar. 16, 2024

Ladies’ Advance - April 18-20,2024, Beartooth Christian Camp, Fishtail, MT

Men’s Peaks - July 25-27, 2024

Family Camp - Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2024



Question of the week:

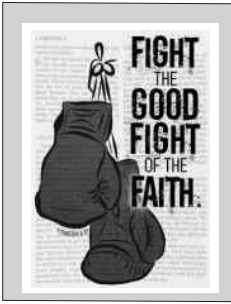
In Paul's first letter to Timothy, he mentioned something Timothy had done in the presence of many witnesses. What was it?

Last week's question: In Jeremiah 2, the Lord is mocking the people who say to a tree, "You are my father," or to a stone, "You gave me birth." How many gods did He say Israel had? *Answer: "According to the number of your cities are your gods, O Judah" (Jeremiah 2:28).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 71
Morning Assembly – 121
Evening Assembly – 49

Wednesday Night (10/11) – 63
Butte Lord's Day – 13
GF Lord's Day – 59,77 Wed. - 74



The Epistles to the Evangelists

Entrust to Faithful Men

The earnest desire of God is for His word to reach out to all men. In fact, these words of Jesus in giving His commission vibrate with that intensity: "Go into all the world," said He, "and preach the gospel to all creation" (Mark 16:15). But one person's trying to do everything by himself is not going to get much done. Jesus Himself early in His ministry selected twelve to help multiply His efforts, and later He enlisted another seventy. Not all of the twelve worked out, Judas betraying Jesus at the end of the Lord's earthly ministry. But of the others Jesus noted in commendation, "You are those who have stood by Me in My trials" (Luke 22:28). It is clear, then, that He had implemented a selection process in which He had recruited tested and trusted men, who would be able to carry out His commission

faithfully. This process also the apostle Paul had learned and implemented.

- **Things you have heard** – The apostle had exhorted Timothy to be strong in Christ's grace. The elements of that grace had been communicated to Timothy, as well as all the other aspects of "the apostles' doctrine." Paul phrases the point in these terms: "And the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses..." (2 Timothy 2:2). These "things" would comprise what the angel told the apostles as he was delivering them from jail in Acts chapter five: "Go your way, stand and speak to the people in the temple the whole message of this Life" (Acts 5:20). This would include everything from the life of Jesus, to the way of salvation through immersion, to the teaching about the church as the kingdom of God, to the events of Jesus' second coming, and all doctrines in between. Timothy heard it all from Paul, "in the presence of many witnesses."
- **Entrust to faithful men** – It is a facet of reality that not all Christians are faithful or spiritual. When the apostle Paul wrote to the Galatian brethren, he commented on the issue of handling saints who have sinned. "Even if a man is caught in any trespass," he stated, "you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness" (Galatians 6:1). Unspiritual brethren would not handle well the delicate matter of holding the trespassing saint accountable, and yet restoring "such a one" to fellowship with Christ and with the brethren. Similarly, Paul writes to Timothy about all the teachings of the new covenant, saying, "these entrust to faithful men." Those in church leadership, such as Timothy, have to be very objective about the current capabilities of those who desire to serve in the body of Christ. Some are new, some haven't grown much, some lack the communication skills necessary, but some are the "faithful men" who have the desire and the capacity to learn, and to communicate as teachers, the words of life.
- **Teach others** – Entrust these things "to faithful men," asseverated the apostle, "who will be able to teach others also." It is in the process of the faithful men's continuing to teach "the whole purpose of God" that the multiplication of effort is going to take place. This statement of Paul to Timothy, then, is one of the most critical of the instructions that he gave his "son in the faith."

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Having an effective system of discipleship is also critical in today's distribution of the gospel. "The whole purpose of God" (Acts 20:27) must still be taught; disciples must be made, immersed, and then continue to be taught all things that Jesus has commanded. That system must include the process of proving definitions of key words, since this takes the doctrines out of the realm of opinion and puts them on the firm footing of scripture itself. The system must be "learnable"; that is, it must be similar to the process of how Math is learned, beginning from "pluses and take-aways" all the way through the complexities of calculus. It must be "teachable"; organized in such a way that a faithful brother can step into the process and be effective. And it must be "duplicatable"; it must be a system wherein the new Christian can be brought to the point where he is a faithful saint, and thus able to teach others also.