

“THEN DAVID SAID TO ALL THE ASSEMBLY, ‘NOW BLESS THE LORD YOUR GOD.’ AND ALL THE ASSEMBLY BLESSED THE LORD, THE GOD OF THEIR FATHERS, AND BOWED LOW AND DID HOMAGE TO THE LORD AND TO THE KING.”

-- 1 CHRONICLES 29:20



Jim Palmer and Jason Christensen
having some good fellowship
Grand Canyon Presentation
Christ's Church in the Clark Fork
Missoula, MT

“Judas and Silas, also being prophets themselves, encouraged and strengthened the brethren with a lengthy message.”

Acts 15:32

“Victory in 2023!!”

November 12, 2023

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

Holiday Inn Express — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Josh Wallace

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Davis Ashley

L.S. - Matthew Wilson

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

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L.S. - Bob Edgar

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Bobo Womagno

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Jon Reijgers

L.S. - Ryan Compton

Preaching - Jay Wilson

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - George Stone

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman

Prayer and fasting for evangelism -

Nov. 18,19

Fellowship dinner Nov. 19 following
assembly. Theme: Thanksgiving

Great Falls

Nov. 19 - Prayer and fasting



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Book of Hebrews

Luke Wilson

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Jay Wilson

Butte

Fellowship dinner - Nov. 19, 6:30
pm

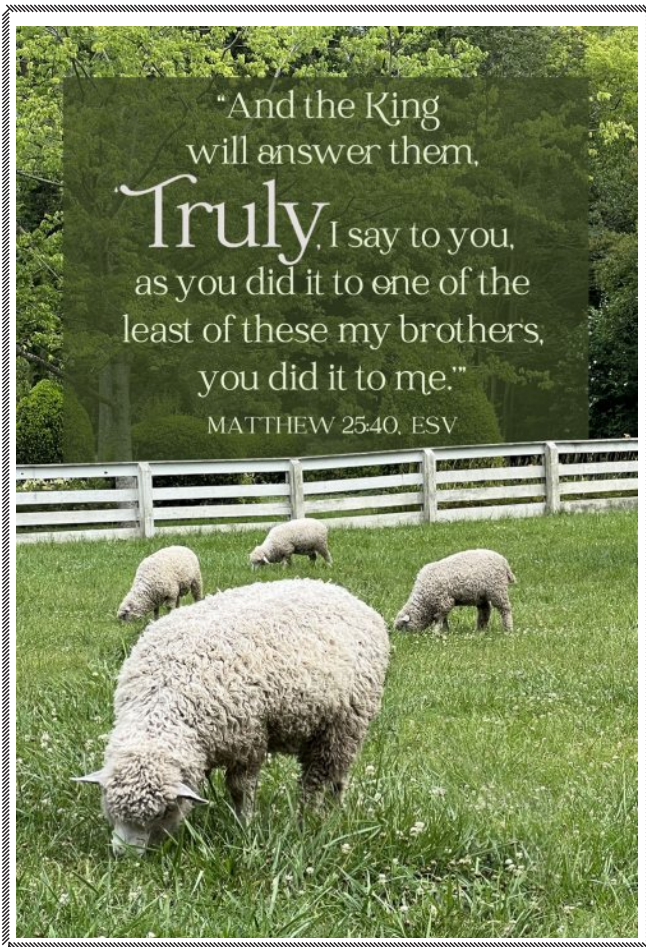
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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:

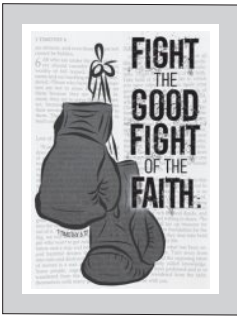
The words “will,” “testament,” and “covenant” are generally interchangeable in the scriptures. In Hebrews 10, Jesus is described taking away “the first in order to establish the second.” Which one of those three words is used in English translations?

Last week’s question: In a vision, as Ezekiel describes it early in the book that bears his name, he is given a scroll to eat. How did it taste? *Answer: Sweet as honey (Ezekiel 3:3).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 88
Morning Assembly – 112
Evening Assembly – 74

Wednesday Night (11/8) – 63
Butte Lord’s Day – 15
GF Lord’s Day – 72,94 *Wed. - 59*



The Epistles to the Evangelists

Major “Trustworthy Statement”

There are five of what the King James Version called “faithful sayings” in the epistles to the evangelists. In the order in which these are being covered, the fifth shows up here in 2 Timothy. After speaking of the wonders of saints’ being chosen, possessing salvation, and attaining to eternal glory, the apostle Paul then brings this to Timothy’s attention: “It is a trustworthy statement: For if we died with Him, we shall also live with Him; If we endure, we shall also reign with Him; If we deny Him, He also will deny us; If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself” (2 Timothy 2:11-13). When the apostle speaks of the “trustworthy statement,” another way of putting it is, “You can believe this.”

- **If we died with Him...** – “For if we died with Him...” is the proposition put forth by the apostle. Paul is taking brethren back to their immersions into Christ as a beginning point. “We were buried with Him through immersion into death,” he had stated, speaking clearly of a spiritual death and burial rather than a physical one. Immersion in water certainly looks like a burial, and it is the key to the saint’s old self being crucified and buried spiritually. “Or do you not know that all of us who have been immersed into Christ Jesus have been immersed into His death?” (Romans 6:3). “For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God,” is the way the apostle phrased it in writing to the Colossian brethren (Colossians 3:3). No one can claim to have “died with Him” apart from being properly immersed into Christ.
- **We shall also live with Him** – The key part of the quotation is the following phrase, “we shall also live with Him.” As important as dying to self is, being alive in Christ is much more significant. “The life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God [literally: by *the faith* of the Son of God], who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me” (Galatians 2:20). What has been built is more important than what has been destroyed. The new structure supersedes what was destroyed.
- **If we endure ...** – The road of faith which the Christian must walk successfully (with help from the indwelling Spirit if the saint avails himself of the help) is not an easy road. Jesus Himself walked that path ahead of us, and it was not easy for Him. The apostles and first century saints were challenged in finishing their journeys in victory, as both the scripture and secular records show. Hence the saints are exhorted, “if we endure, we shall reign with Him.” Clearly, the rewards of endurance greatly outweigh whatever persecution and privation the saint may face in walking in the footsteps of Christ.
- **If we deny Him ...** – “Whoever shall deny Me before men,” stated the Lord Jesus, “I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 10:33). The good profession that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God is to be maintained under all circumstances, and the terms of the faith of Christ are to be upheld. Even being ashamed of Jesus and His words are grounds for disqualification (Mark 8:38).
- **If we are faithless ...** – “If we are faithless, He remains faithful; for He cannot deny Himself.” James described God as “the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation, or shifting shadow” (James 1:17). The fickleness of man and his failures to keep his commitments is no measure of God; He is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8). “Let God be found true,” wrote the apostle Paul, “though every man be found a liar” (Romans 3:4). How comforting and encouraging it is to know that He will keep the promises He has made, and that He will not in any way renege on His word.

This “trustworthy statement” is a significant encapsulation of the faithfulness of God, and the exhortation for saints to maintain their Biblically defined faith regardless of circumstances. Much oil is needed for the lamp of faith!

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