

## BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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### THE LORD'S DAY

June 18, 2017 8:30 & 10:15AM

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude      Carol Dammann  
Piano      Wendy Baldwin

Doxology

Prayer and Scripture Reading Psalm 119:137-144      Ron Mock

Pastoral Prayer

Father's Day Favorites

Sermon "Jesus' Finished Work on the Cross Demands our Working Out"  
Philippians 2:12-13      Pastor Cal VanderMey

Closing Hymn 740      "Joy Unspeakable"

Benediction

### THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday at 6:30pm

Hour of Prayer Monday at 7pm in sanctuary

Tuesday Bible study at 7pm on Titus – Pastor Cal teaching

Wednesday Men's Bible study – Jim O'Rourke teaching

Choir Rehearsal Wednesday at 7pm

No Precept study Thursday at 9:15am till Sept – "Romans"- Margaret Was

Ladies fellowship Thursday at 10am – Elsa Peters

Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell teaching

Men's Breakfast Saturday at 10am

\*The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary\*

\*\*Anyone interested in joining the choir please see Dawn Fraser\*\*

Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

**Church Camp at Circle C July 3-8. Need to know today!!! Ages 8-18**

## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!

"The Enemy and the Believer Contrasted"

II John 9

*Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.*

In verse 9, John contrasts the one who goes outside and the one who remains "in the doctrine of Christ." That doctrine is the teaching concerning Christ's incarnation which John has already pointed out in verse 7.

The false teachers do not remain in the doctrine, but rather have transgressed that doctrine. The word "transgresses" literally means to go beyond or before." This again is directed at the Gnostics, who claimed that they were advancing beyond the inferior concept of the incarnation. They assumed themselves to be progressive in their thinking as has so often been the case when doctrinal error has arisen in the church.

John makes it plain in this first sentence that those who do not have the doctrine of Christ (the incarnation) do not have God. No matter how profoundly one may discourse about knowing God, if he denies the incarnation, he does not have Him. Remember, Jesus declared: *No man comes unto the Father, but by Me" (John 14:6)*. Perhaps the Gnostics would have responded that they were evangelicals, just finding exception to one small item--Christ's incarnation as the God-Man. Mormons today have adopted the tactic of agreeing with evangelicals and claiming to be evangelicals. They even had the president of Fuller Seminary come to Salt Lake to apologize for misunderstanding them on behalf of evangelicals.

John believes that only those who have the doctrine of Christ are abiding in the truth that will allow them eternal life. When the truth is possessed meaningfully, the result is that God the Father and God the Son become our God and our Savior.

I pray this encourages you all in your walk today