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#### Service Times

##### Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 A.M.  
Worship: 10:30 A.M. & 5 P.M.  
Sonshiners: 4:45pm

##### Wednesday

Bible Study: 7 P.M.

##### Preacher:

Russ Earl

##### AM Sermon:

Lessons from John #2 (**Jn 3:1-5**)

##### PM Sermon

Lessons from Ezekiel #2

##### Sunday AM Bible Class:

Nehemiah – R. Earl

##### Wednesday Bible Class:

Praschnik

#### The Gospel of Christ TV Program

on Saturday @ 7:30am on Channel 53

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## The Oologah Informer

### October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### *Thoughts from the Preacher*

##### **“Reflection”**

We often see ourselves in a mirror or a reflection of ourselves.

Spiritually speaking we must look at our own reflection.

When you see yourself spiritually are you happy with what you see?

If not, are you ready to make changes?

#### **10 Reasons**

##### **The Christian Wants To Attend Worship Services**

##### **Regularly and Consistently**

Gary Grizzell - Via the Olathe Church of Christ bulletin

1. The Christian should attend ‘regularly to be eager to obey Gods command to assemble.

Hebrews 10:25 is a command, not a request. The Hebrew writer used the word “assembling” not “assembly.” Therefore, attendance on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night will be no problem to the faithful Christian. Rebellion towards Gods commands is a tragic sin in God’s Book. **“FOR REBELLION IS AS THE SIN OF WITCHCRAFT, AND STUBBORNNESS IS AS IDOLATRY”** (I Samuel 15:23).

2. We should assemble regularly to show respect for God who gave His Son (John 3:16-17; 1 John 4:10; 1 John 2:2).

3. To show respect for Christ who gave his life.

No man had greater love than Jesus who died for his friends (John 15:13), but he is a friend only to those who obey him (John 15:14). He became the **“AUTHOR OF ETERNAL SALVATION UNTO ALL THEM THAT OBEY HIM”** (Hebrews 5:9). One simply cannot be a friend of Jesus and forsake the assembling of the saints.

4. To show respect for the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit gave us the New Testament which we are under as a law (Romans 8:1-2). He gave us the pattern of the worship, work, organization, and purpose of the church. Therefore, to forsake the assembling of the saints is an affront to the Holy Spirit Himself.

5. To show love and concern for one’s brethren.

Hebrews 10:24 says to **“CONSIDER”** one another in provoking to love and to good works. Therefore, it is inconsiderate to forsake the assembling. How is the new Christian to be encouraged to love the Christian life when some do not show enough interest in God, Christ, the church, the salvation of souls and the true values of life to show up on Sunday and Wednesday nights (when they could)?

6. To show love and concern for one's own family.

The husband/father is to be the guide, protector and provider SPIRITUALLY as well as PHYSICALLY. Yes, a man must provide for his own physically, but not at the price of his family's souls. In many congregations some work on assembly days when they could have rearranged their schedules to please God. Yet Jesus asked, "FOR WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT A MAN, IF HE SHALL GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL?" (Mark 8:36) (Study also I Timothy 5:8; Ephesians 6:4; Ephesians 5:23).

7. To have a good influence on one's neighbors and the world.

"ONE SINNER DESTROYETH MUCH GOOD," said King Solomon in Ecclesiastes 9:18. Our neighbors who are being influenced KNOW when we go to worship and they KNOW when we don't. The Christian is to be a light to those of a crooked and perverse nation (Philippians 2:15).

8. To show proper concern for one's own soul.

One of the reasons for coming to the assembly is to feed on the Word of God (Acts 20:28; Acts 2:42). The inner man needs soul food. How's your appetite? Can one maintain a healthy spiritual body by pulling up to the table to eat only once a week or only a couple of times per year? (II Corinthians 4:16-18).

9. To show proper appreciation for the divinely appointed pulpit (II Timothy 4:2).

10. To seek FIRST the greatest cause in this life (Matthew 6:33).

Jesus said it must come first, First, FIRST! It cannot come second, third or forty-third. It must be First before business, family, friends and recreation since one cannot be a faithful Christian with one foot in the church and one foot in the world! Of course we will love our family and friends properly when and only when we truly seek first the kingdom of Christ.