

The Oologah Informer

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WHAT WE HAVE IN COMMON

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Service Times

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 A.M.

Worship: 10:30 A.M. & 5 P.M.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7 P.M.

Preacher:

Russ Earl

AM Sermon:

A World without God

(2 Chron 20:6-9)

PM Sermon:

Guest Speaker: Paul Moses

Sunday AM Bible Class:

The Book of Job – D. Jackson

Wednesday Bible Class:

The Christian Do's - Swearingen

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way

Tulsa KWHB TV 47

Sunday mornings at 7:30am

For the Record: 10/13

AM Bible Class:

AM Worship:

PM Worship:

Contribution:

Weekly Budget: \$2700

Wednesday Night Bible Class:

When Christians travel from place to place in this world and assemble with other Christians on the Lord's day one is able to quickly see differences in the order of worship, the way people might dress, the number of songs, prayers, etc., but what we have in common is that the worship directed to God is "in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). The Bible speaks of having things in common as Christians and these are certain things that we should treasure.

We have a common salvation. Jude wrote; "Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation..." (Jude 3). The Christians from the first century until today have a common salvation because of other things that we have in common.

We have a common teaching or doctrine. Jesus instructed his disciples to "preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). Paul said that he was "not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation..." (Romans 1:16).

Our common salvation is based upon a common gospel and it was this gospel that the Romans had believed and obeyed. "But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered" (Romans 6:17).

We have a common Lord. Since the day of Pentecost those that have responded to the gospel to receive the common salvation have done so through belief in Jesus as Lord. "God has made this Jesus... both Lord and Christ" (Acts 2:37). Isn't it wonderful what we have in common?

"Offending the One You Love"

*Taken from "The Preachers PC" by Tom Moore

When you offend one you love, you are more than willing to apologize and say you are sorry. In the popular TV program, All in the Family, Archie and Edith had a marital spat. He deeply offended her when he said that she was not human. She declared that in the twenty-three years of their marriage, he had never said he was sorry, and until he did so, she would not be a friend with him. For two weeks they did not talk to each other. Then Archie brought up the subject. Edith asked, "Are you saying you are sorry?" Grudgingly, he grunted an affirmative answer. He really loved Edith, and he had to swallow his pride by saying that he was sorry.

This shows us the meaning and horror of sin. It grieves and offends God - the One we love with our whole being. When we hurt Him by our sins, we break His heart, for you remember that on the cross, blood and water flowed out of His heart, a sign of a broken heart. When Peter realized what his triple denial meant to the One he loved the best, he wept bitterly.

The apostle Paul declared, “For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though it were but for a season. Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death” (2 Cor. 7:8-10). May we all sorrow to repentance when we offend the Almighty through sin.

Announcements

Speaker Selection for 2014 Gospel Meeting

If you would like to suggest a speaker for next year’s gospel meeting please tell one of the men. A decision will be made at the November men’s meeting.

Sermon Series

A new sermon series entitled: “Why I am a member of the Church of Christ” will begin in November. These lessons will be on Sunday nights. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to hear these important lessons.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the Casebolt family. Marvin Casebolt – (Jody Northrop’s father) passed away Thursday morning. Visitation is this evening in Wichita, KS and the funeral is Monday at 10am.

Recent Prayer Requests

Joyce Cash – is having problems recovering from her knee surgery.

Barbara Coats – is doing better.

Kenny (Patty Payne’s husband) – is waiting to schedule his surgery.

Delphine Duncan – (Sister of Vance) has pneumonia.

Patti- Payne – has a blockage in her colon.

Please keep all of these in your prayers.

Please keep the following in the prayers.

Ed & Barbara Coats

Allen & Joyce Cash

Mary Ann Haugh

Emma and Ruth (Darla Smith’s sisters)

John Babb

Kennedy Cox

Larry Brown

Daphne Miller

Roy Daniel

Steve Lay’s mother

The Benham family

William Claxton