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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 – Lesson 6 Resurrections (John 11:17-27)

PM Sermon

Daniel – Lesson 1

Sunday AM Bible Class:

Esther – R. Earl

Wednesday Bible Class:

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## The Oologah Informer November 18th, 2020

## Thoughts from the Preacher "Revive"

Various aspects of life can be exhausting mentally and physically. It is a common practice to take time to revive oneself. The Christian is no exception, a time of revival and refreshing is needed. Christ at times would take time to be alone with God and be refreshed. We can learn from His example.

## A SECOND CHANCE

By Jesse Dickison

Years ago, a man was trying to commit suicide. It seems that circumstances kept getting in his way. Finally, the man was convinced that the Lord was trying to give him a second chance, that He was trying to help him. The man decided to try and help himself and he did. He became a Christian and lived a productive life for many years in the Lord's church.

A father was once very ill--he needed a blood transfusion, but his blood type was very rare. His small daughter was the only person in the area with this rare blood type. The small girl willingly gave her blood. When the nurse finished taking the pint of blood the little girl asked, "How long will it be before I die?" She thought that giving her blood would cost her her life. She was willing to do so in order to give her Daddy a second chance.

In a country cemetery there was a tombstone with this inscription, "In him we saw Jesus." The people who knew the man said, "This was the whole truth about that man's life." Though the man had been dead for several years, his godly influence was helping give men a second chance.

Mary Magdalene saw Jesus one day. After that she was never the same. The Lord had given her a second chance. Saul saw the Lord one day on the road to Damascus., He was never the same. The Lord gave him a second chance.

When Jesus was dying on the cross for the sins of the world, He prayed for the people who were taking His life, "...Father, forgive them for they know not what they do..." (Luke 23:34). He wanted them to have a second chance. He did not pray that God would forgive them then and there in the condition they were in spiritually, without their doing anything about it. A change had to take place in them before they could be saved. First, they needed to realize that they were in sin. They also had to be told of the conditions upon which God would save them and they had to meet those conditions.

In Acts 2, being sorry for their sins, they cried out "...Brethren, what shall we do?" (v. 37). Peter told them to "...repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins..." (v. 38). Jesus' prayer was then answered in all those who complied with the conditions of salvation stated in the gospel that day. This is the only way God saves sinners today! He had given them a second chance. He offers you that second chance today. Will you take it?