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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:

The New Man (Eph 4:17-20)

PM Sermon

Joel – lesson 3

Sunday AM Bible Class:

Living on the Lord's side, Lesson 3
– R. Earl

Wednesday Bible Class:

Evangelism in 2021, Lesson 4 - R. Earl

The Gospel of Christ TV Program

on Saturday @ 7:30am on Channel 53

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The Oologah church of Christ only uses
the **KJV, NKJV or ASV** translation of
the Bible in classes & sermons.

The Oologah Informer

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LEST WE FORGET

Eddie Whitten

The church of our Lord Jesus Christ is a legacy that does not change with the passing of time, advancements in science, refinements in culture, or fickle philosophy. The values men put upon life are determined by the times. The philosophy that is so popular today is often out of date tomorrow. The world changes every day, but the church never changes in its basic structure, principle, or practice. The never-changing church is a concept that is difficult for the world to understand. It is sad that many in the church have lost sight of the singular distinguishing characteristic of the church that makes it different from the world. The Bible is unique in that it is the only book ever written that applies with equal force and freshness for every generation that passes. It is as meaningful for us today as it was to those living when it was penned by inspired men. For those who believe the church must change to accommodate each generation, we must point to some considerations that not only do not change but which cannot change and the Bible remain the standard by which men can live and be acceptable to God.

1. Jesus promised to build only one church. ***Matthew 16:18*** is the only time Jesus promised to build His church. He did not promise to build a multitude of churches, each teaching something different for men to do. He said there would be forces that would try to prevail against His church, but they would fail.
2. Jesus gave only one creed to follow. He said, “If ye love me, keep my commandments” (***John 14:15***). John said, “For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous” (***1 John 5:3***). Jude said, “earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints” (***vs. 3***). Jesus warned that the words He had spoken would be that by which man would be judged (***John 12:48***). The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation to every person who believes it and who obeys it (***Rom. 1:16; 2 The. 1:7-9***).
3. The gospel is unchanging and unchangeable. The times in which one lives has nothing to do with the teaching of the gospel. The gospel is God's wonderful message of salvation through Jesus Christ His Son. No other person, convention, counsel, conclave, or synod has the power to change the final will and testament of the one who purchased the church with His blood (***Acts 20:28; Heb. 10:28***).

We must be reminded that when we are dealing with the church, we are dealing with God's business. Man can change the things which fall under the scope of his own power. The church is not subject to the power of man. God has put the church in the world at an awful cost for the benefit of mankind. We must never make the mistake of thinking we can improve on God's order of things and enjoy his blessings. We need to think about these things, lest we forget!