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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:

The Hearts of Men (**Mt 12:9-14**)

#### PM Sermon

Taking Liberties (Romans 14)

#### Sunday AM Bible Class:

Mark - D. Jackson

#### Wednesday Bible Class:

Proverbs 28 – R. Earl

#### **In SEARCH of the Lord’s Way**

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## The Oologah Informer

### April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

#### Thoughts from the Preacher

#### **Friends make Friends Better**

As iron sharpens iron,  
So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.  
Proverbs 27:17

### **What Does The Bible Say... About Baptism and Salvation?** **By Jack Williams**

One Baptist writer, Earl Kelly, proclaims boldly in his book Southern Baptist Distinctives (copyright 1989 by Convention Press) “There is no indication in the New Testament that baptism either saves or adds to salvation” (30). This statement fairly well sets forth the teaching of many in the denominational world – but is it in accord with what the Bible says about baptism and salvation? Absolutely not! Notice a few things the God says in His Word about baptism and salvation:

- In 1 Peter 3:21 the apostle plainly stated that “baptism doth also now save us”. Are we to believe those who assert the opposite and contradictory doctrine that “baptism doth also NOT save us”?!
- On the day of Pentecost recorded in Acts 2, the apostles (who spoke” as the Spirit gave them utterance (4) stated that baptism is “for remission of sins” (Acts 2:38) [it would do well for Bible students to examine this exact statement in Matthew 26:28 before trying to misrepresent the word “for” in this passage! Surely they do not assert that Jesus shed his blood because man already had his sins forgiven!].
- Paul, in recounting his conversion, said he was commanded: “why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord” (Acts 22:16). [So much for Saul being saved on the road to Damascus – he and God both knew that he still had his sins that needed to be washed away!]

Oddly the Baptist writer quoted above goes on to say, “Baptism is not an option to be exercised; it is a command to be obeyed . . .” (Kelly, 31). [As has been said in times past – according to Baptist doctrine it’s harder go get into the Baptist church than it is to get into heaven!] I think instead of following the contradictory doctrines of denominationalists, I will simply take what the Lord has said in Mark 16:16: “he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved”