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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:

Guest Speaker: Noah Olson

PM Sermon

Spiritual Cleansing & Restoration (2 Chronicles 34-35)

<u>Sunday AM Bible Class:</u> Guest Speaker: Noah Olson

Wednesday Bible Class: Summer Series – C. Northrop

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way
On Channel 6-2 Sundays @ 7:30 am
The Gospel of Christ TV Program
on Saturday @ 7:30am on Channel 53
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The Oologah Informer July 5th, 2020

Thoughts from the Preacher "Your Reflection Upon the Church"

Each member of the church has the opportunity to be a light for Christ and for the local congregation. Your behavior, language and conversation can draw people to the church or be a cause for blaspheme. How does your life reflect upon the church?

FEAR OF FAILURE

By Jesse Dickison

Someone has said, "It is a far greater disgrace to be afraid to start, than it is to fail." There is much truth in that statement. We can learn much from it in our individual relationships with people. The person who is afraid to begin will never allow an important work to be done--if he has his way. It is not because he is mean, but because he is a coward. There were also cowards in Jesus' day: "Nevertheless even of the rulers many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess it, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: for they loved the glory that is of men more than the glory that is of God. but still needed to become a Christian in order to please God" (John 12:42-43).

If our Lord is with us--as He said He would be--and if the future belongs to Him--as we say we believe it does--why should we be afraid to undertake any worthy work we feel ourselves capable by the help of God of doing? It takes more courage to do right than it does to do wrong. It takes more courage to do the Lord's work than to do our work. And there is nothing in which we are more assured of success. Paul wrote, "But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not found vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me" (1 Cor. 15:10). He also wrote, "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:5).

I like the statement in the Bible about some of the Lord's disciples-after they suffered some bitter persecution: "They therefore departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name" (Acts 5:41). That was the key to their success, and it can also be the key to the success of the Lord's work in our day.