

# ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

June 6, 2021

Thank you for being a part of our service today. We trust that you will receive a blessing from being with us and hearing a message from the Word of God. May the Lord bless you as you serve Him.

## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE (Please use this time to quietly prepare your heart for worship)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #21 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

SCRIPTURE READING 1 John 2:18-23

### OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #347 And Can It Be?

HYMN #326 Blessed Redeemer

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN #328 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #491 Jesus, I Come

### CLOSING PRAYER

### Announcements

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting



**Covid Guidelines** - In conjunction with Governor Murphy's Executive Order (Executive Order No. 242 - <https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20210524a.shtml>) and the CDC Guidelines (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>), Robertsville Bible Church is no longer requiring masks indoors or six-foot social distancing. Please review and follow the current law from the State of New Jersey and the current CDC Guidelines.

If you feel sick, please do not enter the building. If someone chooses to wear a mask in the building, please practice social distancing since this person may have a compromised immune system. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Walk Worthy (Part 2) - Ephesians 4:3-7 Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

In Ephesians 4, Paul urges the Ephesian believers to show by their Christian conduct that they are walking worthily. What characteristics in Ephesians 4:2 are essential for a worthy walk? They are lowliness, meekness, and longsuffering. **Lowliness** or humility puts God first (not me) and desires to do His will (not mine). **Meekness** is not weakness but power under control, especially God's control. **Longsuffering** is exercising patience and putting up with difficult circumstances. Here are two more characteristics a Christian should live by.

1. **Forbearing Love** - We are to have an agape love or self-sacrificing love for others. 1 Corinthians 13 is the love chapter. God calls us to have the kind of love that endures (1 Corinthians 13:7). We are to have a fervent love for one another that will cover a multitude of sins (1 Peter 4:8). This does not mean we are to ignore sin, but we are to be willing to help and work with others.
2. **Unity** - This takes work and practice to work together as believers and to submit to the Holy Spirit (Psalm 133:1). This unity is not ecumenism (Ephesians 4:13). It is following sound doctrine, being obedient, and doing what God has declared in His Word.

There are seven "ones" in Ephesians 4:5-7: **One Body** - The Body of Christ with many members. **One Spirit** - The Holy Spirit who indwells us at the moment of our salvation (Ephesians 4:30). **One Hope** - Our calling is only through Christ Jesus, and we are "partakers of the heavenly calling" (Hebrews 3:1). **One Lord** - Our Lord Jesus Christ (John 14:6). **One Faith** - Our commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12). **One Baptism** - This is our baptism into Christ at the moment of our salvation that places us into the body of Christ (Romans 6:3). **One God** (Ephesians 4:6).

Believers are all part of the body of Christ, and we are different from each other. We are not all pastors, teachers, or evangelists. However, we all need to exercise the different spiritual gifts and talents that God has given to us as we endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit. We need to treat each other kindly by exercising the characteristics of lowliness, meekness, longsuffering, forbearing love, and unity. We are to work together without compromising doctrine (Ephesians 4:14-16).