## ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

**December 26, 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 #270 Joy to the World!

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8-20

**OPENING PRAYER** 

HYMN #251 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

HYMN #292 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne (Children - ages 9 to 12 - will be dismissed to Junior Church.)

HYMN #271 Joyful, We Adore You

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #480 Only Trust Him

CLOSING PRAYER

The following programs are available during the Morning Worship Service:

Nursery - Newborns to Age 2 Children's Church - Ages 3 to 8 Junior Church - Ages 9 to 12

Luke 2:8-11: And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

## Announcements

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

Youth Bible Study - Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Annual Reports are needed for our Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, January 26. Reports needed: Pastor, Deacons, Trustees, Missions Committee, Christian Education Committee, Youth Ministry, Nursing Home Ministry, and Annual Conference Delegate. All reports are due by Sunday, January 16. Please email your report to secretary@robertsvillebiblechurch.com.

## Who Is Jesus? Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

The main focus of the four Gospels is to explain who Jesus is. He claimed to be God, and He shows through His ministry of teaching, preaching, and healing that He is God. He established His deity through His words and His works.

Jesus proved who He was through His teaching (Matthew 4:23a). He went throughout Galilee teaching in Jewish synagogues where He was often asked to read and expound on the Old Testament Scriptures. Luke 4:16-21 is a good example of Jesus teaching from the book of Isaiah. He pointed out that these Scriptures were speaking of Him.

Jesus proved who He was through His preaching (Matthew 4:23b). Jesus' first proclamation is of good news. God's marvelous offer is to deliver us from the power of darkness, to redeem us, and to forgive our sins (Colossians 1:13-14). Had the Jews accepted Jesus as the Messiah, His kingdom would have come on earth. Even though they were amazed at the words of Jesus, they rejected His message.

Jesus proved who He was through His healing (Matthew 4:23c-25). Some people are sick and unhealthy as a direct consequence of their sin. God sometimes also uses physical affliction to discipline His people. Ananias and Sapphira lost their lives for lying to the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:1-10). Yet the Scriptures make it clear that all suffering and disease are not caused by sin, ignorance, errors in judgment, or God's discipline. Job suffered greatly even though he was blameless and upright and feared God.

Jesus' healing was a divine proof of His words. These miracles of healing by Jesus were proof of His deity and also proof that He was the Messiah. A miracle by definition is something that occurs against the laws of nature. Jesus healed every kind of sickness and every kind of diseas.

The preaching, teaching, and works of Christ all point to Him as the long-awaited Messiah. He alone can bring salvation and hope to a lost and dying world.