

ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

January 2, 2022

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 #682 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 52:7-15

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #688 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

HYMN #324 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

THE LORD'S SUPPER

(Children - ages 9 to 12 - will be dismissed to Junior Church.)

HYMN #311 Hallelujah, What a Savior!

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #686 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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

Isaiah 52:7: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

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.

Pastor, Deacons, and Trustees' Meeting - Saturday, January 22

Annual Business Meeting - Wednesday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.

Resolutions - Joshua 1:1-9

Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

Resolutions can be found in the Book of Joshua. Joshua spent 40 years of on-the-job training under Moses. After Moses' death, the Lord called him to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land. This new responsibility of leadership was scary. The Lord promised to be with him and protect him every step of the way (Joshua 1:5). Verse 8 was a reminder to Joshua that the book of the law was never to depart from his mouth. It was to be the rule of life in everything. The importance of meditating on the Word of God is to be a constant practice in our lives. Choosing to live faithfully according to His Word honors God, and He will bless us.

In Joshua 24, we see how Joshua's commitment turned out. Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel and their leaders, and they presented themselves before God. Joshua recounts their history. God does not always reveal what is in store for us or the battles we will face, but He always promises to be with us and help us.

Joshua 24:14: "Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve Him in sincerity and truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt: and serve ye the Lord." God expects us to give our heart to Him and to live for Him. To have His blessing, we are to put away things that distract us from God, and we are to put away the evil and sin in our lives. We are accountable to God, and we must not hold on to things that draw us away from Him.

Joshua's strong statement in Joshua 24:15 is: "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." It takes a strong personal commitment and an effort to live for God. It hurts our fellowship with Him when we fail in our commitment to Him. We must determine to forsake all to follow and serve God. Putting God first in your life may seem scary, but God wants such a commitment. Can you make this commitment or resolution?