

# ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

January 9, 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 #210 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 34:1-8

### OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #648 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYMN #634 More Love to Thee  
(Children - ages 9 to 12 - will be dismissed to Junior Church.)

HYMN #647 Pure and Holy

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #235 Take the Name of Jesus with You

### 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*

*Psalm 34:1-3: I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.*

## 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, Trustees, Missions Committee, Christian Education Committee, Youth Ministry, Nursing Home Ministry, and Annual Conference Delegate. All reports are due by **next 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.

### **Miracles - Matthew 4:23-25** **Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.**

Matthew 4:23 points out that Jesus went about Galilee teaching, preaching and healing all manner of sicknesses and diseases. The definition of a miracle is something that occurs against the laws of nature or is a supernatural act of God. We must be careful not to confuse God's acts of providential care with a miracle. His timing in providing our needs, keeping us from harm, and answering our prayers do not qualify as miracles. Miracles are supernatural acts of God, and He still operates on that level to heal as He chooses.

There are three broad areas in which Jesus performed miracles (Matthew 4:23-25). Spiritual - He dealt with demonic afflictions. Mental - He healed a Greek lunatic whose actions were just not right. Physical - He healed paralytics and those with palsy and physical handicaps.

Why did Jesus perform miracles? It was a proof of His deity (John 10:37-38; John 14:11; John 20:30-31). It showed God's compassion toward those who suffer (Matthew 9:35-36, 14:14). The Old Testament predicted the Messiah would perform miracles, so it showed Jesus was the prophesied Messiah (Isaiah 35:5-6). Jesus performed miracles to prove that the coming kingdom was a reality. This was a foretaste of what life in the kingdom would be like had Jesus not been rejected at that time.

The Purpose of Miracles: Miracles introduced new eras of revelation, but the Canon of Scripture is now complete. Miracles authenticated the messengers of the revelation. Miracles called attention to new revelation as it related to each era. We now live in the Church Age. 2 Peter 1:12-21 says we have "a more sure word of prophesy", which is the Bible. God has spoken to us through His Son (Hebrews 1:1-2).

As the Apostolic age faded, so did miracles. Today we are commanded to follow and obey Scripture. We are to hope in God's Word and not in quick fixes or miracles.