# ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH
## January 15, 2023

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**

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| PRELUDE (Please use this time to quietly prepare your heart for worship) | |
| WELCOME | |
| HYMN #648 | Love Divine, All Loves Excelling |
| SCRIPTURE READING | Psalm 130 |
| OPENING PRAYER | |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | |
| HYMN #650 | O for a Heart to Praise My God |
| HYMN #617 | Near to the Heart of God |
| HYMN #100 | Thou Art Worthy |
| BIBLE MESSAGE | Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr. |
| HYMN #596 | I Surrender All |
| CLOSING PRAYER | |

The following programs are available during the Morning Worship Service:
***Nursery*** - *Newborns to Age 2*
***Children's Church*** - *Ages 3 to 8*

**This Week at Robertsville**

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| **Sunday**..... | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Morning Worship Service |
| **Wednesday**..... | 7:00 p.m. | Prayer Meeting |

**Announcements**

**Annual Reports** are needed for our Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, January 25. All reports are due **today, January 15**. Please email your report to secretary@robertsvillebiblechurch.com.

**Pastor, Deacons, and Trustees' Meeting** - This Saturday, January 21

**Annual Business Meeting** - Wednesday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.

**Words, Words - Matthew 12:22-37**
**Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.**

Matthew 12:37: "For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." In Matthew 12:22-23, we see words to prove Christ's deity. He healed a man who could now see and speak because of Christ's miracle. The people were amazed, and said: "Is not this the Son of David?" Christ's miracles and lineage were proofs of His deity, but the Pharisees were quick to oppose Him.

The Pharisees knew the prophesies of the Old Testament. They knew of the lineage of Jesus and what it represented. They had seen His miracles, heard His teachings, and were determined to trap Him. They chose not to believe but to mislead others. They misused their power, their leadership, and their words. They even accused Jesus of being the devil himself.

**Jesus responds to the Pharisees** (Matthew 12:25-32).
- Their attack was absurd (verses 25-26). If they accuse Jesus of being the devil, why would he want to defeat Himself and cast out demons?
- Their attack was hypocritical (verse 27). Without being hypocritical, how could they accuse Jesus of being a devil for doing what they themselves practiced?
- Their attack was rebellious (verse 28). They knew the prophesies of the Old Testament and Jesus' lineage, but their rebelliousness led to their unbelief and their rejection of Him.
- Their attack was blasphemous (verses 31-32). The unpardonable sin is blasphemy against the Holy Ghost and occurred during the time Jesus was on earth. The Pharisees chose to reject Jesus' teachings and willingly mislead others. They also orchestrated His crucifixion.

**Jesus spoke about words** (Matthew 12:33-37). Our tongues reveal what is in our hearts.
- Fruit (verse 33). A tree is known by the fruit it produces. It is the same with our tongues. What fruit does our tongues produce?
- Vipers (poisonous) (verse 34). The Pharisees were known for their evil words. Jesus called them a generation of vipers.
- Good and evil (verse 35). Our character is revealed by the words, thoughts, and actions which proceed from our heart.
- Idle words (verse 36). We will have to give an account and be judged for every idle word we speak.
- Condemned or justified (verse 37). By our words, we are either condemned or justified (Romans 10:9-10).