

ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

February 19, 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

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

WELCOME

HYMN #225 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 53:1-5

OPENING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #353 Victory in Jesus

HYMN #713 Seek Ye First

HYMN #684 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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

This Week at Robertsville

Sunday..... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Saturday..... 7:00 p.m. Young Adults Meeting

Announcements

Young Adults will be meeting this Saturday, February 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This activity is for high school, college, and career young adults.

Ladies Retreats at Tri-State Bible Camp:

Theme: Jesus, Anchor of My Soul

Friday - Saturday, April 14 - 15. Speaker: Debi Pryde

Friday - Saturday, April 21 - 22. Speaker: Amy Herbster

True and False Conversions - Matthew 13:24-30

Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

Matthew 13:24-30 is the parable of the tares and wheat, which represents what the harvest will produce. Matthew 13:24-25: "The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way." The desired harvest was wheat, which represents a true conversion. While the men slept, the enemy (Satan) sowed tares among the wheat. These tares make the crop less productive and rob the soil of nutrients needed to nourish the wheat. The enemy (Satan) afflicts the Church, Israel and all mankind. I Peter 5:8: "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary, the devil, like a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour."

One of Satan's methods is deception.

We see this first in the Garden when Eve was deceived. Satan caused her to doubt God's Word (Genesis 2:15-16, 3:1-6). He is still successful at implanting doubts about God's goodness and His will for our lives. So often, we allow ourselves to go along with Satan's deceptions.

Satan is a master deceiver. He likes nothing better than to sow tares among the wheat in the church. These tares appear to be believers, but they are not. They are religious but not righteous.

One of Satan's methods is to be intentionally deceptive.

The tares and wheat may outwardly look alike. We have all heard of people who were part of a Christian organization, but in time they were revealed to be tares. We may not always discern the tares from the wheat. That is God's job, and He will do it in His time at the harvest (Matthew 13:28-30). God knows who are tares and who are wheat.

One day we will all stand before God and give an account of what we did with Christ. Examine your heart. Are you religious but not righteous? Do you want to hear: "I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21)? Hell is prepared for the devil, his angels, and those who reject Christ. The tares are gathered into bundles to be burned (hell). The wheat is gathered into God's barn (heaven).