

# ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

September 3, 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 #21 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 8:1-9

OPENING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #54 My Tribute

HYMN #316 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN #324 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #479 Softly and Tenderly

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

## Announcements

**Marlboro Day - Next Sunday, September 10, 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.** - Please plan to stop by and visit our booth at Marlboro Day. We could also use your help making a display, setting up the booth, and handing out church flyers and Gospel tracts. Please see Pastor Ernie, if you can help.

**Saturday, September 23, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.** - Solutions Health and Pregnancy Center's Walk for Life at the Ocean Grove Boardwalk Pavilion.

**Saturday, September 23, 9:00 a.m.** - Pastor, Deacons, and Trustees' Meeting.

**Monday, September 25, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** - Color and Coffee for the ladies at the church parsonage.

**Wednesday, September 27, 7:00 p.m.** - Business Meeting.

**Saturday, September 30, 9:00 a.m.** - Men's Bible Study.

### **Who Am I? - Matthew 16:13-20** **Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.**

In Matthew 16:13-20, Jesus presented His disciples with a question: Who am I? A question that each one of us must also answer today. How you choose to answer makes a difference. Verse 13: "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" Jesus used the title Son of Man for Himself. It is an important Messianic title, telling them that He is their long-awaited Messiah, the One who will set up the kingdom. Verse 14: "And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets." The disciples may have thought it was a compliment to compare Him to the prophets.

Verses 15: Jesus wanted them to focus on the important question each person will have to answer. "But whom say ye that I am?" In verse 16, "Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." He recognized Jesus as God Incarnate and Divine. Jesus was pleased with Peter's answer and called him blessed (verse 17).

For fifteen hundred years, the Roman Catholic Church has used Matthew 16:17-19 to say the Church was built upon Peter. This is their origin of apostolic succession and the Pope's supreme authorization and representation of Christ. What does Scripture say? Who is the foundation? Ephesians 2:20: "And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." Psalm 118:22 refers to Jesus Christ and says He is "the stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner." 1 Corinthians 3:5-15 says Jesus is the foundation. Verse 11: "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Truly, our salvation comes from faith in Jesus Christ, not from a person (Peter) or from rites offered by any church.

Verse 19: "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven." What do the keys of the kingdom do? They unlock doors by the Word of God. People who reject the Word of God are condemned (John 3:18). The way through the door of salvation is available through Jesus Christ.