

# ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

September 17, 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 #63 All Creatures of Our God and King

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 8:22-26

OPENING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #492 At Calvary

HYMN #513 Thank You, Lord

HYMN #638 I Need Thee Every Hour

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Ernie Brodie, Jr.

HYMN #553 Nearer, My God, to Thee

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

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

**Saturday, September 23, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.** - Solutions Health and Pregnancy Center's **Walk for Life** is only 6 days away. Be sure to register or sponsor a friend before Saturday, September 23. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a beautiful day on the Boardwalk at Ocean Grove from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. all while celebrating LIFE! Please keep this event in your prayers. Pray for beautiful weather, for spiritual protection, and for a joy-filled afternoon praising God. In order to register, please go to [event.fundeasy.com/25920](http://event.fundeasy.com/25920). If you have any questions regarding registration, please email [clientadvocate@solutionsphc.com](mailto:clientadvocate@solutionsphc.com) or call 732-747-5508

**Marlboro Day - Sunday, September 24, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.** - Be sure to stop by and visit our booth.

**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.

### **Marks of Discipleship - Matthew 16:24** **Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.**

Jesus began teaching His disciples the true cost of discipleship. Matthew 16:24: "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." Here are some marks of a true disciple:

- 1. Self-denial** - "Deny himself" comes from a word meaning to completely and utterly disown, separate from, or shut down your own will. It is a willingness to say, "Not my will, but thine." We must put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh (Romans 13:12-14).
- 2. Willingness to sacrifice and pay the price of discipleship** - "Take up his cross" is a willingness to suffer shame, persecution, loss, and even martyrdom. Persecution is a way of saying you are not wanted here, because you do not believe like we do.
- 3. Obedience** - "Follow me." We are to be resolute in following Christ despite our circumstances, be willing to pay the price daily to be His servant, and to live faithfully for Him. Do you keep God's commandments demonstrating that you love Him? (1 John 2:3-6).

We gain God's blessings by doing things God's way. To be victorious, we must be committed to Him. Total surrender is required. Truly, God is and has absolute truth! We can by faith follow Him to the end.