ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH
September 29, 2024

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 #104	O Worship the King
SCRIPTURE READING	1 Corinthians 15:50-58
OPENING PRAYER	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
HYMN #90	Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
HYMN #562	Be Thou My Vision
BIBLE MESSAGE	Pastor Josiah Sansone
HYMN #592	Jesus Calls Us
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

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 15:58

Believers Should Magnify The Lord - Philippians 1:20-30
Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

The Bible has many examples of people who chose to magnify the Lord. John the Baptist's words concerning Jesus stand out. John 3:30: "He must increase, but I must decrease. The number one goal of believers today is to magnify the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:20: "According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death." To magnify means to make great, to esteem highly. How can we magnify Christ as a believer?

1. We magnify Christ by boldly living a godly life (Philippians 1:20, 27a). This involves living as a Christian in every aspect of life. It is a way of life to be lived wholeheartedly, boldly, and without arrogance, and showing others whether we belong to Him or not.
2. We magnify Christ by living for God even in the face of death (Philippians 1:21). This relates to our core beliefs. They should not change even in the face of death. Core beliefs are seen in how we respond to temptation, to challenges in the face of obstacles, and when we are drawn to be accepted by the world.
3. We magnify Christ by making difficult choices with God's will in mind (Philippians 1:23-26). Even when others might be swayed, we choose God, because our core beliefs do not change, and we are willing to make the difficult choices with God in mind. The choices must be selfless (verse 24). Paul chose to live for God and continue to serve Him and others. The choices must be sacrificial (verse 25). Paul had faith, confidence, and a willingness to do what God wanted him to do. The choices must be sincere (verse 26).
4. We magnify Christ by being unified (Philippians 1:27b). Psalm 133:1: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" True unity comes from God. Unity means striving together with one mind or having the same goals and working together as a team.
5. We magnify Christ by maintaining trust in God (Philippians 1:28). Even when it seems the world is about to collapse, we must trust God.
6. We magnify Christ by suffering for His sake (Philippians 1:29-30). There is to be no turning back, even in difficult times. Our faith is illustrated by how we handle suffering for Christ. Since Christianity is a way of life, core beliefs should not change even though there will be times that our lives will run contrary to the world, the flesh, and the devil. Read the testimonies of the heroes of faith found in Hebrews 11. They stood fast through mockings, beatings, false imprisonments, and even death!

There are benefits in magnifying Christ. Romans 8:18: "For I reckon that the sufferings (trials) of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." God has so much in store for us. He walks with us in life and carries us to glory at death. He indwells, guides, provides, and protects us and He gives us peace. He is God alone! There is no power in heaven or on earth greater than our God. It is a blessing to serve Him with the knowledge that the best is yet to come. May we be determined to magnify Christ, so He will be glorified in our lives.