

ROBERTSVILLE BIBLE CHURCH

October 6, 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 #1 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 57

OPENING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #306 Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?

THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN #358 Because He Lives

BIBLE MESSAGE Pastor Stephen Christopher

HYMN #582 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

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

Nursing Home Ministries:

Sunday, October 13, 2:00 p.m. - Excelcare, Manalapan

Sunday, October 27, 2:00 p.m. - The Manor, Freehold

Because of Christ - Philippians 2:1-7 Rev. Dr. Ernest Brodie Jr.

Unity in Christ is one of the main themes found in Philippians. In Philippians 1, we learn there is joy in living for Christ. In Philippians 2, we learn there is joy in biblical unity. All this is possible because of Christ's sacrifice and example.

There are four practical benefits of biblical Christianity (Philippians 2:1).

1. Because of Christ, there is consolation. Consolation (paraklesis) - encouragement. God is the one who gives us encouragement.
2. Because of Christ, there is comfort. Comfort (paramuthion) - consolation. It is close to that of paraklesis (consolation or encouragement). Both words convey a close relationship marked by true concern, helpfulness, and love.
3. Because of Christ, there is affection. Affection (splanchna) - literally the bowels, a metaphor for the emotions.
4. Because of Christ, there are mercies. Mercies (oiktirmos) - compassion. We receive compassion because of Christ, and He enables us to have compassion for others.

There are three marks of Christian unity (Philippians 2:2).

1. Love (agape) - intentional love, choosing the welfare of another over our own (Romans 12:1-14).
2. One accord - unified, one-souled, united in spirit. This means living in harmony, allowing no room for personal ambition, selfishness, hatred, envy, or jealousy. True biblical unity is based on being grounded in the Word of God.
3. One mind - being of one mind, to think the same thing, or to be like-minded. This is essential to spiritual unity. Paul is not talking about doctrine or moral standards, but about actively striving to achieve common understanding and genuine agreement.

Every believer is a temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19).

- The Holy Spirit seals the believers eternal inheritance (Ephesians 1:13-14, Ephesians 4:30, 2 Corinthians 1:22).
- The Holy Spirit is the source of our spiritual power (Acts 1:8).
- The Holy Spirit is the source of spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12:4-11, Romans 12:6-8).
- The Holy Spirit develops spiritual fruit in us (Galatians 5:22-23).
- The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness and makes intercession for us (Romans 8:26).
- The Holy Spirit fills us (Ephesians 5:18).

Life can be cruel and harsh. It is Christ that makes life bearable, worthwhile, and purposeful. If you do not know Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, call upon Him to save you.