

UNSHAKEABLE

LIVING THE WORDS OF JESUS



SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday Feb 14th, 2021

The Narrow Gate - Pastor Nick Campagna

Matthew 7:13-14

- **Wide or Narrow Gate**

"I am the WAY and the TRUTH and the LIFE." John 14:6

- Love does not force itself on another
- Love selflessly leverages its own resources for the benefit of the other
- The truth will set you free
- Destruction vs. Life
- Surrender, Follow, Listen Do.

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

We meet in Life Groups to **Connect**:

- Deeper with God and each other through prayer and relationship.
- The Bible to life.
- With our community through serving.

FREE RESOURCES:



LECTIO 365 APP 24-7prayer.com/dailydevotional

Helps you **pray the Bible** and engage with Scripture to inspire prayer and shape your life.



YOU VERSION BIBLE APP bible.com

1,200+ Bible versions, also allows you to connect with friends to do **devotionals together**, sharing real-life insights and comments.



THE BIBLE PROJECT www.thebibleproject.com. What is in the Bible and **how to read it**. Check it out at: <https://youtu.be/vFwNZNyDu9k>.

SERMON SERIES: “Unshakeable: Living The Words of Jesus”

Exploring how to live according to Jesus’ teachings in Matthew chapters 5-7. When we do that, we are immovable, unshakeable because the foundation is Jesus and he is the **Rock of our salvation** that is immovable and *unshakeable*. Series Reference: *The Essence: Unpacking Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount* (2020). Winslade. Wipf Stock Pub.

THIS WEEK: Matthew 7:13-14

Watch the weekend’s sermon: <http://www.coldspringschurch.net/sermons.html>.

ICE BREAKER: How would you describe a “warning sign”?

FOR FUN:

A husband and wife, before their marriage, decided that he would make all the major decisions and she would make the minor ones. After 20 years of marriage, he was asked how this arrangement had worked. “Great!” he said. “In all these years I have never had to make a major decision!”

PRAYER: God is worthy to be sought - take time to pray together in your group.

EXPLORING TOGETHER

There is value in sharing perspectives about the weekend message in community. With dialogue around God’s truths, perspective broadens and impacts transformation.

1. What is something from this weekend’s message that stood out to you? How so?

2. When you have to make a significant decision or choice in life, how do you go about finding the will of God?

3. Read Deuteronomy 30:19, Joshua 24:15, Jeremiah 21:8. Free choice (aka, “free will”), is spoken of as a gift God has given to everyone through creation. How do you respond to that?

4. Jesus sets before us the example of two gates leading to two destinations: *one or the other must be chosen*. What are some challenges that present with choosing the “gate” that leads to “life”?

5. What might be an example of “wide gate/easy way” living that tempts you from time to time? What consequences come with that choice?

6. The “narrow gate/hard way” is about disciplines. Who actually has more fun —those who live by disciplines (boundaries) or those who do not? Share the value of the way you choose.

7. Who do you know within your circle of acquaintances who is currently choosing the wide/easy way, for whom you can pray as a group that they will choose more wisely?

WEEKLY REFLECTION - NEXT STEPS: Surrender. Follow. Listen. Do.

At Cold Springs we encourage one another to **take the long view**. This week Pastor Nick spoke about *the Gate, the Way, the Destination*.

8. What do you need to *surrender, follow, listen or do* to increasingly become (or help someone else become) a person who **chooses the way of Jesus**?

SPIRITUAL CONVERSATIONS: Wednesdays, 6:30pm Zoom: 842 034 805

Have you ever had a conversation with someone who has spiritual questions and you wish you had some tools to help you answer? Our new **Alpha Online** group can be that tool! The weekly video explains spiritual principles in everyday language for discussion. You’re welcome to join for one session or all of them. Invite someone too!