

# UNSHAKEABLE

LIVING THE WORDS OF JESUS



## SERMON OUTLINE

**Sunday Nov 8, 2020**

### **UNSHAKABLY GRATEFUL**

"Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward."

Matthew 6:1-2

- As we grow in Christ he invites us in to a place of deeper and deeper humility.

4"Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

Philippians 2:4-8

- Your Father in Heaven sees you.
- Kingdom People Live with
  - Joyful Humility

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ”

James 1:17

- Kingdom People Live with
  - Joyful Humility
  - Purposeful Compassion
  - Abiding Trust

“Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ”

Philippians 2:9

### **Surrender - Follow - Listen - Do**

(2 Corinthians 5:21, John 8:36, Luke 19:10)

## SERMON STUDY GUIDE - 11/8/20

### UNSHAKABLY GRATEFUL

**ICE BREAKER:** What quirky thing did you learn when you were young, that you still know how to do?

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

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

In this sermon series we explore how to live according to Jesus’ teachings in **Matthew chapters 5-7**. This is the **Gospel of the Kingdom**. It is something we are not only to know, but to do, to *live*. And 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*.

Reference: *The Essence: Unpacking Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount* (2020). Winslade. Wipf Stock Pub.

#### **THIS WEEK: Matthew 6:1-2**

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

#### **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?

#### **TAKING IT HOME**

2. How do you decide which kinds of charitable causes you support? How important is it to know where donated money to charitable causes is used?
3. Some interpret verse 1 as saying that faith is purely private and not something others should see. Do you agree? What do you think Jesus’ point was in this verse?
4. How do you feel about public acts of righteousness (like giving to needy causes)? Take into consideration the current time we live in, ex: GoFundMe / Facebook Random Acts of Kindness page, etc. Is it wrong for others to notice those acts?

5. How does God give us the blessings/resources/giftedness that he wants us to show toward others—even our enemies?
6. Read Acts 2:44-45 and Acts 4:34-35. How applicable are these amazing examples of sharing to our situation in the twenty-first century? What is the timeless principle we should apply now?

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

**Within every Christ-follower is everything required to treat other people the way God does**—even, if not especially, those who treat us as enemies. It is a potential within all of God’s children. All we need to do is activate it and show the family likeness.

**Surrender - Follow - Listen - Do** (2 Corinthians 5:21, John 8:36, Luke 19:10)

- The Gospel - the Good News of Jesus - is that we are forgiven by God. Because we are forgiven, through the Spirit of God we have been given the power to forgive.
  - No forgiveness, no freedom.
  - In forgiveness, there is freedom.
  - Freedom to love and be loved.

8. Jesus teaches us that it is not about the act of worship (or spiritual practice) but about the motive behind the act of worship. In light of this week’s message, what do you need to *surrender, follow, listen* or *do in order to be more generous*?

## HOW TO READ THE BIBLE

“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17, NLT)

Ask yourselves the following questions as you read this week’s Bible passage...

*What is God asking me to believe?*

*What is God asking me to do?*

*How is God preparing me to live more effectively for him?*



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