

UNSHAKEABLE

LIVING THE WORDS OF JESUS



SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday March 7th, 2021

Pastor David Cooke - Matthew 7:24-29

• **Still Standing**

- Living The Adventure
- You don't have to be a fool to live the adventure

"Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline." (Proverbs 1:7, NLT)

"For simpletons turn away from me—to death. Fools are destroyed by their own complacency. But all who listen to me will live in peace, untroubled by fear of harm." (Proverbs 1:32–33, NLT)

• **What if...**

- I told you there was a way to live where you would be guaranteed to be still standing. (Genesis 17:1–8)
- Faith Confession: Galatians 3:29, Galatians 3:9, Joshua 1:3
- Blessing does not mean lack of struggle

• **The Words of Jesus** (Luke 10:25–28, NLT)

- Love is not a feeling or a philosophy, it is action and lifestyle. (Matthew 7:24–29, NLT)

• **Unshakeable**

A. **Surrender** - Mark 8:34–37, NLT

- We surrender because we're the Beloved

B. **Follow** - Proverbs 3:5–8, NLT

- The call stories of Jesus in the Gospels are quite simple. Jesus encounters someone in the midst of their normal life and challenges them to follow him.

C. **Listen** - Luke 9:35 NLT

- Matthew, Mark and Luke all record the story of God speaking to the disciples with a simple instruction: Listen

D. **Do** - Matthew 7:24, ESV

- Being flows into doing. Your doing reveals your being.

A disciple of Jesus is someone who follows Jesus in an ever deepening relationship of love and helps others do the same.

• **Unshakeable - Living The Words of Jesus**

- Just outside Jesus' home town of Capernaum, a hillside Jesus gathered his disciples and all who wanted to hear to speak these words.
- In these words - the longest body of Jesus' teaching - we experience the essence of all that Jesus taught about God and his Kingdom.

• **What's Your Next Step?**

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

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

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

THIS WEEK: **Matthew 7:24-29**

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

ICE BREAKER: What technological changes have impacted you in your life-time?

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?

GOING DEEPER

In this sermon series we explored 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.

2. What are some of the significant cultural changes in values (in the past few decades) that affect our country?

How do you think these changes have impacted Christians?

3. What are some specific examples from your life where “the words of Jesus” (v.24) have provided a secure foundation for difficult life issues?

4. What challenges you most out of James 1:22–25?

5. At this point in your journey with God, is your most pressing need to “learn more” or “practice what you’ve already learned”?

WEEKLY REFLECTION - NEXT STEPS

In Jesus, we have the power to live the **Kingdom Life** (2 Timothy 1:7; Lk. 19:10).

At Cold Springs we talk about next steps as:

Surrender your position as the Gold Standard, as judge (Mk. 8:34-37).

Follow Jesus’ example of love lived - be a person of grace and mercy (Prov. 3:5-8). You can’t follow without surrendering first. A follower of Jesus follows Jesus.

Listen to the voice of Jesus when tempted to judge - he touched people with compassion. You can’t listen without following, you can’t follow without listening.

Do the Good News of Jesus. Being flows into doing. Your doing reveals your being. We surrender because we’re the Beloved. A disciple of Jesus is someone who follows Jesus in an ever deepening relationship of love and helps others do the same.

6. What do you need to *surrender, follow, listen* or *do* to increasingly become (or help someone else become) **a person who lives the Kingdom Life?**