

# Unshakable

## part 4

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### How to become unshakable in uncertain times

#### The resurrection of Jesus give us assurance of

##### 1. the accuracy of the teaching and example of Jesus

(a radically unshakable life of loving God, loving others and living the mission)

##### 2. peace with God

**Romans 4:25** He who was delivered up because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

**5:1** Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

##### 3. a victorious future

**1 Corinthians 15:1** Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,

<sup>2</sup> by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

<sup>4</sup> and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

<sup>5</sup> and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

<sup>6</sup> After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep;

<sup>7</sup> then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles;

<sup>8</sup> and last of all, as it were to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, who am not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

<sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me.

...<sup>51</sup> Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

<sup>52</sup> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

<sup>53</sup> For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality.

<sup>54</sup> But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory.

<sup>55</sup> "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law;

<sup>57</sup> but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not *in vain* in the Lord.

##### 4. God's i\_\_\_\_\_ presence

**John 20:21** Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

<sup>22</sup> And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

<sup>23</sup> "If you forgive the sins of any, *their sins* have been forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they have been retained."

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**Acts 1:4** And gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," *He said*, "you heard of from Me;

<sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

...<sup>8</sup> but you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

**Acts 2:1** And when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

<sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent, rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them.

<sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.

...<sup>16</sup> but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel

...<sup>22</sup> "Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know--

<sup>23</sup> this *Man*, delivered up by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put *Him* to death.

<sup>24</sup> "And God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

<sup>32</sup> "This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.

<sup>33</sup> "Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.

...<sup>36</sup> "Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ-- this Jesus whom you crucified."

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard *this*, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?"

<sup>38</sup> And Peter *said* to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

<sup>39</sup> "For the promise is for you and your children, and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God shall call to Himself."

<sup>40</sup> And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation!"

<sup>41</sup> So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

<sup>42</sup> And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

**Acts 4:8** Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers and elders of the people,

<sup>9</sup> if we are on trial today for a benefit done to a sick man, as to how this man has been made well,

<sup>10</sup> let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead-- by this *name* this man stands here before you in good health.

<sup>11</sup> "He is the stone which was rejected by you, the builders, *but* which became the very corner *stone*.

<sup>12</sup> "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved."

<sup>13</sup> Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John, and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were marveling, and *began* to recognize them as having been with Jesus.

...<sup>18</sup> And when they had summoned them, they commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.

<sup>19</sup> But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge;

<sup>20</sup> for we cannot stop speaking what we have seen and heard."

**Acts 5:29** But Peter and the apostles answered and said, "We must obey God rather than men.

<sup>30</sup> "The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross.

<sup>31</sup> "He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

<sup>32</sup> "And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him."

<sup>33</sup> But when they heard this, they were cut to the quick and were intending to slay them.

...<sup>40</sup> And they took his advice; and after calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them to speak no more in the name of Jesus, and *then* released them.

<sup>41</sup> So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for *His* name.

<sup>42</sup> And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they kept right on teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

### **The result of an unshakable life is worship**

**Hebrews 12:25** See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking. For if those did not escape when they refused him who warned *them* on earth, much less *shall we escape* who turn away from Him who *warns* from heaven.

<sup>26</sup> And His voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth, but also the heaven."

<sup>27</sup> And this *expression*, "Yet once more," denotes the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of created things, in order that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

<sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe;

<sup>29</sup> for our God is a consuming fire.

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