

The Unshakable Kingdom

Isaiah 9:6-7 (NKJV)

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of *His* government and peace *there will be* no end, upon the throne of David and over *His* kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Psalm 46:1-7 (ESV)

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Isaiah 33:5-6 (AMP)

The LORD is exalted, for He dwells on high; He has filled Zion with justice and righteousness. And He will be the security and stability of your times, a treasure of salvation, wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the LORD is your treasure.

Isaiah 28:16 (NIV)

So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic.

Hebrews 12:26-29 (ESV)

At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken – that is, things that have been made – in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer

to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

“Whatever our situation may be, God has from everlasting decreed that situation for us. But I hear some folks bitterly complaining. ‘How is it possible to be content? The Lord has cast me into very sad conditions.’ One excuse we make for our discontent is the evil of the times. ‘The times are full of heresy and impiety’ we complain – and this is what troubles me.” – Pastor Thomas Watson

Hebrews 12 refers to the Unshakable Kingdom

Hebrews 13 gives us lessons to thrive in the Unshakable Kingdom

7 lessons from Hebrews 13

1. Love One Another (Hebrews 13:1)

1 Corinthians 13:8 Love never fails

1 Thessalonians 3:12 (ESV)

...and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you.

It is not “every man for himself” but love one another

1 John 4:7-8 (NIV)

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love God does not know God, because God is love.

2. Honor Marriage

Hebrews 13:4 (NIV)

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

Let marriage be held in honor

To hold marriage in honor is to value marriage, to consider it precious and esteemed

3. Realize The Principles Of Provision

Hebrews 13:5-6 (ESV)

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

Be free from the LOVE of money

Do not have a materialistic mindset

Understand giving, sowing, and reaping

Genesis 26:1, 12 (ESV)

Now there was a famine in the land, besides the former famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went to Gerar to Abimelech king of the Philistines. ...And Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. The LORD blessed him.

4. Remember God's Word And Hold On To Solid Bible Teaching And Reject False Teachings

Hebrews 13:9a (ESV)

Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings...

Ephesians 4:14 (ESV)

...so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

Be a Berean

Acts 17:11 (NIV)

Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.

5. We Need An Eternal Vision... Looking Beyond This World

Hebrews 13:14 (NIV)

For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

Hebrews 11:26-27 (NIV)

He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible.

Where there is no vision [no revelation of God and His word], the people are unrestrained; but happy *and* blessed is he who keeps the law [of God].

6. Continual Praise

Hebrews 13:15 (NIV)

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

Psalms 33:1 (NIV)

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

Psalms 149:4-6 (NIV)

For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory. Let his faithful people rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds. May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands.

7. Proper Response To Spiritual Leadership

Hebrews 13:17 (NIV)

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

We are told to submit to leadership...

Leaders are not told to put others in submission

1 Corinthians 16:15-16 (NIV)

You know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the Lord's people. I urge you, brother and sisters, to submit to such people and to everyone who joins in the work and labors at it.

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