

## “UNSHAKABLE SECURITY”

**Hebrews 12:25-29**

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For Christian people around the world, Easter is a day of celebration. On that day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. That great fact is a foundation for our hope.

For many people, however, life is unsure. That uncertainty leads to insecurity and insecurity leads to fear. No one can totally avoid uncertainty because no one can be sure of tomorrow; much about tomorrow is hidden.

But I ask, is there any way to gain security in spite of the unsureness of tomorrow? The answer is yes. Yes, there is a way to gain security. Faith in the true God provides the foundation for **UNSHAKABLE SECURITY**. Hebrews 12:25-29 is a text to bring you to such faith.

*25. See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:*

*26. Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.*

*27. And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.*

*28. Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:*

*29. For our God is a consuming fire.*

Within this descriptive text there are several stimulating **WORDS** which should lead us to an unshakable security.

**MUCH MORE** are two such words in verse 25. Notice the association of those words. One who spoke on earth could not be refused. I propose that one was Moses. When Moses spoke from Mount Sinai and declared the will of God as he had heard it, every one of the commandments that he spoke was sure. They could not be refused. God spoke them to Moses and through Moses to the people of Israel.

There is a graphic description of that experience in Exodus 19:16-19: “And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the lower part of the mount. And mount Sinai was altogether in a smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by a voice.”

They could not refuse him that spoke on earth. Much more, we cannot refuse Him who speaks from heaven. Now listen again from Exodus 20, “And all the people saw the thunderings, and lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar

off. And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.”

Do you see what the writer of Hebrews is telling us? They could not refuse him who spoke on earth. Much more then, we cannot refuse Him who speaks from heaven.

I find in the very first two verses of Hebrews a very striking statement like this: “God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;”

Much more, much more, God has spoken to us through His Son. The words, “much more” mean, we ought to listen to what God has said in this book, the Bible. That will give us an unshakable security.

**ONCE MORE** are two more stimulating words in verses 26 and 27. Now notice the association with these words, “The voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also the heaven.” The writer of the book of Hebrews is quoting from the Prophet Haggai in the second chapter of his book, verses 6 and 7: “For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.”

The Prophet predicted a time when God will do a tremendous shaking just before the desire of all nations shall come. That desire of all nations must be Jesus Christ. That shaking is far more extensive than the shaking in Moses’ day. In Moses’ day it was confined to Mount Sinai where the people of Israel were gathered to hear the word of the Lord. The shaking mentioned in this text and quoted from Haggai is going to be much more extensive. The sea and the dry land, all nations, God is going to shake once more.

What is the purpose of this shaking? It is to exalt the unshakable. The creations of men will crumble. The creations of men have crumbled in the past. Governments will shatter like earthen vessels. The Psalmist predicts a time when the Son will take His scepter of iron and dash the nations in pieces like a potter’s vessel. Only the spiritual will remain. All the material and natural will be shaken to pieces. God said, “Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.” The words “once more” mean, we ought to hold to those things which remain and cannot be shaken, as set forth in the Bible. That will give unshakable security.

**NO MORE** are two stimulating words not exactly stated but implied in verse 28, “which cannot be moved.” Kingdoms of earth rise and fall. Our history books are full of the accounts of falling nations.

But God’s kingdom is permanent. His kingdom is not to be moved. It cannot be moved. We can have ultimate unshakable security when we are a part of that kingdom. All other kingdoms will be moved, but not the kingdom of God.

Now notice further that there is to be a gift of grace. “Let us have grace.” Grace is a bestowal from God. It comes from the Lord. Nobody can generate grace in his own heart. No, the grace of God is a gift from God. It is an enablement, it makes possible our serving God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. The grace of God which He gives is what you and I need. Then because our God is a consuming fire there comes a reward.

The words “no more” mean, we ought to choose God’s kingdom which will lead us to unshakable security. I'm glad to tell you that that kingdom cannot be moved. You will not need to search anymore. You will be at the end of your search when you come into the kingdom of God.

Thus, these words, much more, once more and no more, should help us to find that unshakable security which only faith in God can produce or provide.