

# UNSHAKEN: Confident Living in Dangerous Times

## Message 5 – Spiritual Courage

### Warm-up

What is the hardest physical activity you have ever faced? How did you get through it?

Today we are on week 5 of our series entitled, *Unshaken*. Together we will learn what it means to live confidently regardless of the circumstances around us.

### Word and Application

In the second letter Paul wrote to the Thessalonians to encourage them because of the false doctrines circulating that caused confusion and fear. We can learn a lot from this book by looking at the direction our current society is being led by the media. Scripture is given to us not just as a history lesson, but as a tool for survival, power, and comfort for our daily lives.

The Year of the Lord and the Day of Vengeance show us that Jesus proclaimed that the times are broken up into two times; one of the Age of Grace and the other of the Age of Judgment. God wants to see everyone living above the adversities and trials of life. So we unpack the resources given to us by God through His Word.

### Three Questions Paul Is Answering About The End Times:

1. How does the Year of the Lord relate to the End Times and to us today?  
**Read Thessalonians 2:1-2, Isaiah 61:1-2 & Luke 4:18-19.**
2. What happens during the Tribulation?  
**Read 2 Thessalonians 2:3-6.**
3. What do we know about the Antichrist?  
**Read 2 Thessalonians 2:7-15 & 2 Thessalonians 2:15.**

### **Live in the *truth*.**

Devoting daily time seeking God and applying His Word to our daily life opens our hearts to wisdom and insight to things from God's perspective of truth so we are not deceived.

Share with the group about a time where God showed you truth in a situation that brought you peace.

**Live in the *Spirit*.**

You are a carrier of the Spirit of God that was given to us to teach us how to live above the adversities and trials of life. Learning to live out of the new man (Spirit) and dying to the old man (flesh) brings freedom from the yoke of this world and lies that come with it.

How much greater is our strength when we choose to walk in the Spirit and not in the flesh?

**Live in *Community*.**

Surrounding yourself with other like-minded people will fuel this process, rather than isolating yourself. Engaging in small groups to encourage one another is a crucial part to becoming the Body of Christ.

Describe how it encourages you to be part of this small group.

**Prayer**

Thank God for His unconditional love. Ask God for His help this week to keep His word at the forefront of our minds each day. Pray for specific needs of the group.