

## A Kingdom That Cannot Be Shaken

Hebrews 12:22-28

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## Kingdom Propheesied

- ▶ Daniel 2:44-45 Kingdom would not be destroyed.
- ▶ Daniel 7:13-14 Kingdom given when Son of Man ascends.

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## Kingdom "At Hand"

- ▶ John the Baptist. Matthew 3:1-3
- ▶ Jesus. Matthew 4:17; 10:5-7; Mark 1:14-15; Mark 9:1
- ▶ Apostles. Matthew 10:7
- ▶ The 70 disciples. Luke 10:9

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### **Spiritual Kingdom.** John 18:36

- ▶ Romans 14:17, "*for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.*"
- ▶ Message of righteousness. Romans 1:16-17
- ▶ Heavenly Jerusalem. Hebrews 12:23-24
- ▶ Redeemed. Colossians 1:13-14
- ▶ Priesthood. Hebrews 9:11-12; 10:12-14; 8:1-2

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- ▶ Daniel 7:13-14 Ascended to spiritual throne.
- ▶ Hebrews 8:4 Cannot be on earth.
- ▶ Zechariah 6:12-13 Priest and King at same time.

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- Christ Sitting at God's right hand.
- ▶ King on David's throne. cf. 2 Samuel 7:14-16; Luke 1:32ff; Acts 13:30-34
  - ▶ Head of His church. Ephesians 1:22-23
  - ▶ God's great and final prophet to man. Hebrews 1:1-3; 12:25
  - ▶ Ever lives. Hebrews 7:25

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### **Spiritual Rule.** Luke 17:20-21

- ▶ Constitution: "The system of fundamental laws and principles that prescribes the nature, functions, and limits of a government or other institution." (American Heritage Dictionary)
  - Will not be altered. Matthew 24:35
- ▶ Not a threat to world empires. Romans 13:1-7

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### **Citizenship Obtained By Spiritual Birth.** John 3:1-6

- ▶ Entrance gained by doing the will of God. Matthew 7:21ff
- ▶ Contrast Physical Israel and Spiritual Israel. cf. Hebrews 8:6-12

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#### The new Birth and Baptism ...

- Mark 16:15-16 Baptized - Salvation. (cf. Luke 24:47)
- Acts 2:38 Baptized - Remission of sins.
- John 3:5 Baptized - Born again (cf. Romans 6:3-4)
- Ephesians 5:25-26 Baptism - Washed
- Acts 22:16 Baptized - Washed sins away
- 1 Corinthians 12:13 Baptized - Into one body
- Galatians 3:26-27 Baptized - Into Christ
- Galatians 3:26-29 Baptized - Heirs of Abraham

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### **Spiritual Hope.** Daniel 2:44ff; Hebrews 12:28

- ▶ It is the hope of heaven. 1 Peter 1:3-5; Colossians 1:5; Ephesians 4:4
- ▶ In the end, the kingdom delivered up to God. 1 Corinthians 15:22-25
- ▶ Therefore, its subjects cannot be destroyed. Matthew 10:28

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- ▶ **Spiritual in nature.**
- ▶ **Spiritual ruler, head or king.**
- ▶ **Spiritual rule in the hearts of people.**
- ▶ **Spiritual birth.**
- ▶ **Spiritual hope.**

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## This Hope Is In The Kingdom

- ▶ Daniel 2:44, "*And in the days of those kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom **which shall never be destroyed**, nor shall the sovereignty thereof be left to another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*"
- ▶ Hebrews 12:28, "*Wherefore, receiving a **kingdom that cannot be shaken**, let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well-pleasing to God with reverence and awe.*"

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## Conclusion

- ▶ Have you obeyed the gospel that you might become a citizen of this great kingdom that cannot be shaken? 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9
- ▶ You need the security that only this kingdom and its hope can supply! Matthew 11:28-30
- ▶ Are you coming to Mount Zion, or to that which will be shaken?

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