

**Series "Jesus Is Better"  
"Unshakable"  
Hebrews 12:18-29  
Study-32**

**Hebrews 12:28**

**"The New Testament is in the Old concealed, while the Old Testament is in the New revealed."**

**The Thought Of Our Passage:** "God's Kingdom Is Unshakable, With Great Privileges; Which Understood, Should Lead To Greater Responsiveness From God's People."

- 1. Verses 18-21 – The Earthly Mountain**
- 2. Verses 22-24 – The Heavenly Mountain**
- 3. Verses 25-29 – The Great Warning**

**1. Verses 18-21 – The Earthly Mountain:**

Hebrews 12:18

**What is needed in the Christian race is the assurance that we are on the right path! (Contrast of Law Versus Grace)**

"to a mountain that can be touched" – This was the giving of the Law Of God On Mount Sinai, Exodus 19-20; Deuteronomy 4-5 – Holiness And Reverence For God!

Exodus 19:16

Exodus 19:18

Hebrews 12:19

The Divine Voice Was Overwhelming: "those who heard begged that no further word be spoken to them."

Deuteronomy 5:26-28

Hebrews 12:20

The Description Of Sinai Is That Of Unbearable Fear: "For they could not bear the command,"

Hebrews 12:21

The Divine Presence Was Unapproachable: "so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, 'I AM FULL OF FEAR and trembling.'" Exodus 19:16

Exodus 33:11 – Moses, face to face, was now afraid.

Isaiah 6:5

### **A True Mount Sinai Leaves Us With Doom, Dread, And That Of Unbearable Fear!**

Romans 8:3

## **2. Verses 22-24 – The Heavenly Mountain:**

Hebrews 12:22

"But you have come to Mount Zion" – Romans 11:26.

Revelation 14:1

Hebrews 12:18 – "For you have not come to a mountain"; Now in Hebrews 12:22 – "But you have come"; "the readers have arrived right now to the permanent place."

### **The Heavenly City Has 7 Uplifting Elements:**

- 1. You Have Come To The City Of God:** "to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem," – Revelation 21:10-22:5.

"heavenly Jerusalem," – (heavenly/spiritual) Mount Zion, that of life and joy!

Galatians 4:19-31

- 2. You Have Come To Myriads Of Angels:** "and to myriads of angels," – Daniel 7:10; Luke 15:10.

Hebrews 12:23

**3. You Have Come To Fellow Believers:** “general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven,”

The term “firstborn” is in the plural, designating all believers who have spiritual birthrights in Christ.

“who are enrolled in heaven,” – Luke 10:20

**4. You Have Come To God:** “to God, the Judge of all” – Hebrews 4:13.

**5. You Have Come To The Church Triumphant:** “and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,” – Old Testament saints that have died are present at Zion. Hebrews 10:14

They are “made perfect”, Hebrews 11:40.

Hebrews 12:24

**6. You Have Come To Jesus:** “and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant,” – Christ promised His own, John 14:3.

**7. You Have Come To Forgiveness:** “and to the sprinkled blood,” – Exodus 24:6-8; Hebrews 9:22.

1 Peter 1:2

“which speaks better than the blood of Abel.” – Genesis 4:10 – but Jesus Christ’s blood speaks from heaven for salvation and forgiveness. This is grace!

### **3. Verses 25-29 – The Great Warning:**

Hebrews 12:25

Verses 25-27 – Beware: “See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking.”

Verb “refuse” was used of those who “made excuses”, Luke 14:18-19.

“Him who is speaking.” – “Him” – Hebrews 1:1-2

### **“5 Problem Passages In Hebrews”**

5<sup>th</sup> problem passage – Defying the Word – 12: 14-29 (Refusing To Hear)

Hebrews 2: 1

Numbers 14: 29

**Israel failed to learn that rejecting God’s Word is identical to rejecting God!**

Hebrews 12: 26 – This is taken from Haggai 2: 6.

Hebrews 12: 27

Isaiah 13: 13

2 Peter 3: 10

Verses 28-29 – Let Us Have Grace: Hebrews 12: 28

“Therefore,” – What is the “Therefore” there for? God has spoken; we better not refuse Him, for the shaking that is coming will not affect the eternal.

Luke 17: 20-21

**The Kingdom Is Here, Yet Has Not Yet Arrived!  
Matthew 6: 9-10**

“let us show (“let us have constant”) gratitude,”

“grace” – The essence of grace can be sustaining grace in the midst of trials.

How do we receive grace/gratitude? Hebrews 4: 16

Hebrews 12: 29

Deuteronomy 4: 24

**“Grace Gives No License To Forget God’s Holiness”. “God is a consuming fire,” – 2 Peter 3: 10-12.**

**Application:**

1. The Giving Of The Law Taught That God Was Holy And Must Be Reverenced. The Divine Voice Was Overwhelming, And The Divine Presence Was Unapproachable.
2. You Have Come To The City Of God; You Have Come To Myriads Of Angels; You Have Come To Fellow Believers; You Have Come To God; You Have Come To The Church Triumphant; You Have Come To Jesus; You Have Come To Forgiveness. If These Heavenly Elements Don't Create An Attitude Of Thanksgiving, What Will?
3. Let Us Serve God With Reverence. Let Us Heed His Word And Not Refuse To Listen. For In His Word Is The Grace And Life That We Need.