An Unshakeable Kingdom

(Hebrews 12:28)

Introduction: 1. Sometimes we don't appreciate what we have and need to be reminded.

- 2. Such is the case with the church.
- 3. To be a part of the church is glorious privilege we should never take for granted.

I. The Promise of the Kingdom

- A. (Daniel 2:1-49).
 - 1. Nebuchadnezzar's dream (2:1-13).
 - 2. Daniel's interpretation (2:14-45).
- B. This prophecy is a bold prophecy!
- C. It foretold something that has never been witnessed before.
- D. Kingdoms come and go, but herein is a kingdom described that would never be destroyed.
- E. John the Baptist stated that the kingdom was at hand (Matthew 3:2).
- F. Jesus said that some would not die before its coming (Mark 9:1).
- G. And Jesus promised that even death couldn't stop him from establishing this kingdom (Matthew 16:18).
- H. And though this prophecy was spoken some 500 plus years before the beginning of this kingdom, it has been in existence for nearly 2000 years!

II. The Power of the Kingdom

- A. This kingdom hasn't stood for 2000 years because it hasn't faced opposition.
- B. On the contrary, Satan has made every effort to destroy it, but has met with failure (Revelation 12:13-17).
- C. Enemies of the kingdom.
 - 1. False prophets (2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 4:1; Matthew 24:24).
 - 2. Persecution (Acts 14:22; Rom. 8:18; 1 Pet. 4:12,16; 1 Cor. 15:30).
 - 3. Apostasy (Gal. 5:4; 2 Tim. 4:10).

III. The Pleasure of the Kingdom

- A. We are subjects of a perfect King (John 18:37; 1 John 5:3).
- B. This King will save us from our sins (Ephesians 5:23).

Conclusion: 1. Don't ever forget how blessed you are.

- 2. Neither get so comfortable that this blessing becomes contemptible to you (Malachi 1:13).
- 3. If you're not a citizen of this kingdom, why don't you obey the gospel and allow the lord to add you to his roll book?