

UNSHAKABLE

Purpose That Proclaims

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Palm Sunday's Cry

Matthew 21:8-9



*Beneath Jerusalem's sun, a crowd poured forth,
Cloaks and branches paving earth's rugged course.
"Hosanna!" they sang, hope blazing bright,
"Blessed is He who comes in God's holy light!"
Yet soon their voices would fade in the strife -
Our purpose holds fast, proclaiming His life.*



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1. Hope fuels our _____.

1 Peter 1:3-6 (NLT) – "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see. So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while."

Hebrews 6:19 (CEV) – "This hope is like a firm and steady anchor for our souls. In fact, hope reaches behind the curtain and into the most holy place."

Psalms 71:14 (GNT) – "I will always put my hope in you; I will praise you more and more."

Romans 5:5 (NLT) – "And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love."

2. Character makes it _____.

1 Peter 1:14-15 (NLT) – "So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy."

Titus 2:7-8 (GW) – "Always set an example by doing good things. When you teach, be an example of moral purity and dignity. Speak an accurate message that cannot be condemned. Then those who oppose us will be ashamed because they cannot say anything bad about us."

Philippians 2:15 (CEV) – "You live among people who are crooked and evil, but you must not do anything they can say is wrong. Try to shine as lights among the people of this world."

Matthew 5:15-16 (GNT) – "No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bowl; instead it is put on the lampstand, where it gives light for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven."

3. Identity gives us _____.

1 Peter 2:9 (NLT) – "You are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light."

John 1:12 (NLT) – "To all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God."

Romans 8:16-17 (CEV) – "God's Spirit makes us sure that we are his children. His Spirit lets us know that together with Christ we will be given what God has promised."

2 Corinthians 5:20 (NLT) – "We are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, 'Come back to God!'"

4. Love makes it _____.

1 Peter 4:8 (NLT) – "Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins."

John 13:34-35 (CEV) – "I am giving you a new command. You must love each other, just as I have loved you. If you love each other, everyone will know that you are my disciples."

1 John 3:18 (GNT) – "My children, our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action."

Colossians 3:12,14 (NLT) – "Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony."

1 Peter 5:10-11 (NLT) – "In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation. All power to him forever! Amen."

Matthew 21:8-9 (NIV) – "A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David!' 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Hosanna in the highest heaven!'"

1 Corinthians 15:58 (CEV) – "My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile."

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