PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

Unshakable

Matthew 5:5

Hebrews 12:26-29

Now He has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire."

These are those times

Isaiah 5:20.

Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness

These are those times

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Romans 1:28-32,

Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done. They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy. Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these

very things but also approve of those who practice them.

These are those times

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What do you have that cannot be shaken?

Only what we have received from Christ

The **first** of what He **firsts** gave to us all...

To live **as blessed** in God's blessings – always, in any circumstance...

Matthew 5:3-10

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Today - Vs. 5

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

"The meek"

True meekness follows true poverty of spirit

- It is the antithesis of self-pride
- Even when in great power (Jesus!)

Meekness is the fraternal twin of **humility**

- It does not presume

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- Does not grasp, even what is rightfully his/hers
- Philippians 2:5-8
- It holds all things with open hands

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Meekness	never imposes	its will	on others
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It invites them to receive whatever benefit is being offered

Meekness often **expresses** & **demonstrates** itself in **gentleness**

Meekness uses strength & power to **serve** others & **lift them up**

Matthew 11:28-30, James 1:21 & 3:13

"For they shall"

This too, **follows**... at a distant future, **after Christ's return**

- Then... the meek will have restored what
 Adam was given
- Because of **God's promise** that we shall
- **Believing**, we are empowered to **"Hope"** (Confident expectation with pleasure)
- Romans 5:5 & Hebrews 11:1 & 13-16

"Inherit"

To receive from predecessors...

 Benefits & possessions, not previously owned

Our inheritance(s):

- Ephesians 1:11, 14 & 18
- Colossians 1:12 & 3:24
- I Peter 1:3-4

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Matthew 6:19-21

Philippians 3:18-19

Colossians 3:1-2

"The earth"

The **new** heaven & the **new earth**

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- Established by Christ at His return!
- I Corinthians 15:52
- I Thessalonians 4:16
- II Peter 3:10-13
- Revelation 21:1-5

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Matthew 5:13

- Now, as a **preservative** & **flavor**

Though **not yet** fully owned outright...

- Occupied in behalf of the One with the Authority to give it
- Matthew 28:18
- In **His Name**, and by **His** standards