

As we look around today, it's clear we're living in uncertain times. It feels like, with every election season, people are trying to decide who's going to lead us, who's going to fix what's broken. There's a lot of promises, a lot of speeches, and plenty of finger-pointing. But if we're honest, we know that no human leader is going to bring us the lasting peace or righteousness we truly need.

The Bible speaks to this. In Isaiah 1:4, this verse sounds a lot like what we're seeing today—people turning away from God, chasing after what they think will solve their problems, but moving further away from the truth.

I don't usually get into politics, I haven't been preaching that long, and I'm not here to preach a political sermon. But with everything going on around us, especially during election seasons, it's hard to ignore how divided things can get. And the truth is, no matter who's in office, no matter what promises they make, there's only one true kingdom that will never be shaken—God's kingdom.

So today, I want to talk about that unshakeable kingdom, and why we need to focus our hearts and our hope on the One who is truly in control, no matter who holds political power."

Isaiah 1:4

Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward.

UNSHAKEABLE KINGDOM

This afternoon,
I want to talk
about something steady,
something strong—
something we can
truly rely on.

Let's be honest:
we don't have to look hard

to see how far
this country has fallen.

Isaiah's words
from Isaiah 1:4
might sound familiar
to us today:
“Ah sinful nation,
a people weighed down with sin,
children who have
turned from God...”

We look around,
and it's clear
this country is
getting farther and farther
from God.

The moral and spiritual
state of things
is shaky at best,
and so many people
are feeling lost.

Is there any hope?
Yes, there is hope.
But our hope
doesn't come
from a better economy
or from new leaders.
Our hope comes
from something unshakeable—
God's eternal kingdom.

No matter what happens
to our country,
God offers a kingdom

that will never fall,
never be taken over,
and never decline.

We can't put our trust
in things that change
all the time.

Leaders come and go,
laws get made and undone,
and the world keeps shifting.
But God's kingdom
doesn't change. It's solid,
it's forever, and it's built on truth.

We may see chaos all around,
but God is still in control.
He's offering us a place
in His unshakeable kingdom,
a place where
we don't have to worry
about the mess of this world.

Our job is to turn back to Him,
to stop trusting in the things
of this world
and start trusting in the One
who never lets us down.

When we do that,
we can have peace
in the middle
of everything going on,
because we know
that God's kingdom stands strong.

The Bible tells us
that when the people

of Israel served God,
He blessed them.
*"Blessed is the nation
whose God is the Lord,"*
Psalm 33:12 says.

But when they turned away,
God allowed them
to fall into captivity.
The northern tribes
were taken by Assyria,
and later,
the southern kingdom
of Judah
was conquered by Babylon,
just as Isaiah warned
in this very passage.

They were in bondage
for 70 years
because they had turned
their backs on the Lord.

Today, we can clearly see
Something similar is happening.
As a nation,
we're moving
away from God,
and it's leading to
a moral and spiritual decline.

But there is good news.
We have the chance
to turn to God
and be part
of His unshakeable kingdom—
one that doesn't rely

on earthly success
but on God's eternal promises.

Let's think about
what it means
to live for this kingdom,
a kingdom that stands strong
no matter what.

Living in God's kingdom
means knowing that
Our foundation is firm.
Unlike the things
of this world
that can change
or fall apart,
God's promises remain true.

We can trust Him
to provide for us,
to guide us,
and to give us strength
when we feel weak.
In His kingdom,
we find true peace and joy
that the world cannot give.

When we choose
to live in this kingdom,
we commit to
following God's ways
and putting our faith in Him.

It means seeking His will
in our lives
and sharing His love
with others.

Even when everything
around us seems chaotic,
we can hold on
to the hope that comes
from being part
of something much bigger
than ourselves.

So let's not just look
at the problems around us;
let's look to God
and His unshakeable kingdom.
Let's strive to be examples
of His love and truth
in a world
that desperately needs it.

Together, we can
make a difference,
and we can stand strong
in the face of any challenge
because our lives
are built on
the solid rock of Christ.

While we have this hope
in God's kingdom,
we cannot ignore
the struggles we face
in our nation today.

Every day in our country,
many innocent lives are lost
before they even
have a chance to live.
Families are struggling

because many children
are growing up without fathers.
This hurts our communities
and makes life harder
for so many.

We've seen a shift
away from God
in our public lives.
Laws and court decisions
have made it harder
to talk about
our faith openly.
This change has left
a lot of people feeling lost
and disconnected from God.

In the 1960s,
the courts decided
that prayer and Bible reading
couldn't happen
in schools anymore.

This was a big moment
for how faith is viewed
in public places.
Since then, many schools
have stopped prayer
at graduations, sports events,
and even moments of silence.
This has made it tough
for people to come together
and share their beliefs.

In some places,
even displaying
the Ten Commandments

has become a problem.
This shows how far
we've moved away
from being able
to express our faith freely.

We can't ignore
the problems around us.
Our nation is
facing serious issues,
and we see
the effects of sin
in the struggles
people are going through
every day.

Children are growing up
without the guidance they need—
no father figures in the home,
no knowledge of God
to show them the way.

It's like trying to put together
a complicated piece of machinery
without instructions.
Every piece is there,
but without the right guidance,
nothing seems to fit,
and frustration builds.
In the end, it doesn't end well;
the machinery is left
in a total mess,
In complete disarray,
just like lives without direction.

We've let our country
push God out of

the public square.
Taking prayer and the Bible
out of schools
was just the start.
This move has led
to a wider separation
between faith
and daily life,
leaving many feeling lost.

Now, people are afraid
to even mention
God's name in public spaces.
This silence speaks volumes
about how far
we've drifted from
the values that once
shaped our nation.

It's almost like
we're trying to treat God
like that relative
we only see at Thanksgiving—
out of sight, out of mind—
until, of course, we need Him!
This attitude weakens
our connection to God
and makes us less likely
to turn to Him
in times of trouble.

Our freedom to live
out our faith
is being threatened
more and more.

It's not just about

schools anymore;
it's happening at work,
It's happening in government,
And it's even happening
in the streets.
Everywhere we look,
there seems to be a push
to silence our beliefs
and keep our faith hidden away.

If we don't stand up
for what's right,
pretty soon we might
have to start whispering
The Ten Commandments!
If we don't do something, who will?

Marriage, as God designed it,
is between a man
and a woman.
This is clear in scripture,
where we read about
"male and female"
and a man being united
with his wife.
Today, there are many ideas
about marriage and identity
that seem to stray
from what we find
in the Bible.

We see a wide range of beliefs
about gender
and relationships,
which can be confusing.
In our world,
some people identify differently

than the way
God created them.
We hear claims
of changing identities,
and it can feel like
everything is being
thrown into question.

But we must remember
what Jesus taught
about God creating us
as “male and female.”
We need to hold
onto that truth
amidst the noise around us.

Instead of focusing
on labels or identities,
let’s center ourselves
on God’s design for us.
His way is clear,
and while the world
may go down
a different path,
we are called
to follow Him.

Jesus warned us
about the wide road
that leads to destruction.
We need to check ourselves
and consider
where we are headed.

It feels like
we’re losing sight
of common sense

these days, with so many
chasing after
what seems popular.

Sometimes it seems like
people are trying
to make their lives
a spectacle,
like they're in
a reality show,
looking for their moment
in the spotlight.
But in all that noise,
we risk forgetting
what truly matters.

It's easy to get caught up
in the chaos around us.
But remember,
one day Jesus
will look at each of us
and ask about
our choices
and our faithfulness.

We want to be sure
He knows us
and that we know Him.

In the midst
of all this chaos,
we must not forget
the words of Jesus.
One day, He will look
at those who have
turned away from Him
and say, "Depart from me,

I never knew you.”

In times of confusion,
it's vital to hold onto
the simple truths
that God has laid out for us.
These truths
keep us grounded
and help us stay focused
on His purpose
for our lives.

Jesus said in Matthew 24:12
that in the end times,
lawlessness will increase.
We're seeing this happen
right before our eyes
as lawless people fill the streets
of our cities.

We see gangs on the streets,
drugs being sold,
and people with guns
hurting each other.
Every day, it feels like
chaos is everywhere,
and violence has become normal.

There are people protesting,
and there are people
supporting different causes,
but sometimes it seems like
some should just stay home.

It feels like everyone
has an opinion,
but not everyone

is stepping up
to solve the problems we face.

And there are plenty more examples
of this nation's moral decline.
From the breakdown of families
to the increasing division
among the people,
It's clear we
are facing tough times.
Trust and respect
Has been thrown
Out the window,
and many feel lonely
worried, and scared
about what's ahead.

The values that
used to bring us together
are now causing arguments,
making it hard
for people to connect.

As we deal
with these problems,
it's important to look
for guidance and hope,
remembering the simple truths
that can help us
rebuild our communities
and strengthen our relationships.

But in the midst of all this,
we must remember
that God's kingdom stands strong
and offers hope.

We have a choice to make.
We can be part
of this declining world
or embrace the unshakeable kingdom
that God offers us."

Why is this
country in decline?
Because the warning
God gave to Judah
and to Jerusalem through Isaiah
is just as true for us now:

Woe to the sinful nation,
a people loaded with guilt,
full of evildoers,
children deep in corruption!
They've abandoned the Lord,
turned their backs
on the Holy One of Israel.

Today, we see evidence
of this decline everywhere.
The moral compass
that once guided our society
is now lost, leaving many people
feeling confused and directionless.

2 Timothy 3 says,
"Men shall be lovers
of their own selves,
and lovers of pleasures
more than lovers of God."

As we saw
in ancient Israel and Judah,

we see in this country today—
a nation declines
when morality declines,
and people turn
their backs on God.

You don't have to look far
to see how broken
this country is.
Our institutions are worn down,
our systems don't work,
and there's a sense
of hopelessness everywhere.

People are struggling to find jobs,
crime rates are rising,
families are falling apart,
and too many people
are battling addiction.

Many people are struggling
to find purpose,
and the values
that once held us together
are fading fast
like ice cream
on a hot summer day—
just melting away
before we
even have a chance
to enjoy it!

Families are breaking apart,
communities are suffering,
and trust in one another
is crumbling.
It's like a house of cards—

one wrong move,
and everything
can come tumbling down.
We're left wondering
how to rebuild
when the foundation
feels so shaky.

People are more
divided than ever.
We see anger, fear,
and confusion
everywhere we look.

It's like the foundation
we used to stand on
is falling apart,
leaving us scrambling
to find solid ground.
Instead of building
each other up,
we're caught in a cycle
of blame and mistrust,
making it harder
to come together.

Families aren't sticking together,
And trust seems
Hard to find.
Everyone seems
more focused
on their own needs,
and that just leads
to more pain and separation.
It's like we're all lost at sea,
drifting further apart
with each wave

that crashes against us.

But out of all the causes
we talk about,
I want to point out one
that often goes unnoticed.
A hidden reason
for this country's decline—
hidden in plain sight
because it's taken for granted—
is that we have lost
the fear of God.

One big reason
for our country's problems
that often gets overlooked
is that we've lost
the fear of God.

Belief in basic spiritual truths—
like God, angels,
heaven, hell, and the devil—
is declining.

Since 2001,
belief in God
has dropped from 90% to 74%.
While some still believe
in these truths—
74% believe in God,
69% in angels,
and so on—
it's clear we've lost
that deep respect for God.

This lack of fear
creates a gap between us

and our spiritual roots,
making it easier
for people to ignore
what God says
and live how they please.

When we stop
holding on to these truths,
our actions and choices show it.

We start to make decisions
that go against God's ways
and forget about
the consequences.

The Bible warns us that
“there is no fear of God
before the eyes of the ungodly.”
When we lose that fear,
we lose our way.

Where is the fear of God
in the church today?
Where is the fear of God
in the pulpits?
Where is the fear of God
in our marriages?
Where is the fear of God
in our families?
Where is the fear of God
in how we handle
our money and resources?
Where is the fear of God
in our friendships
and the way
we treat others?
Where is the fear of God

in our thoughts and actions
when no one is watching?

It amazes me
how fearless people
are of God.

It amazes me
how people don't care
about the truth.

It amazes me
how they focus on things
that don't matter.

It amazes me
how they ignore
clear signs.

It amazes me
how many look for answers
but skip the source.

It amazes me
how hearts can become
cold and uncaring.

How is it possible that someone,
made in God's image
and living in rebellion
against Him,
feels no fear
about what they're doing?
This absolutely makes
My head hurt.

And this is happening
in a country where,
until recently,
around 80% or more
of the population

identified as Christian.

It blows my mind
to think about this.
How can someone
who was made
in God's image,
someone who knows
right from wrong,
choose to live in sin
without any fear?

It's hard to understand
how so many people
can call themselves Christians
but live as if God doesn't exist.

It makes you wonder
what happened to
the fear of God in our lives.

We have to ask ourselves
why so many
have turned away from
what they know is true.

Recent polls show that number
dropping more and more.
One respected poll
found that only 65%
of U.S. adults
now call themselves Christian.

When I think about that,
I'm reminded of Jesus' warning
to the church in Ephesus
in **Revelation 2:4-5:**

**“4 Nevertheless I have
somewhat against thee,
because thou hast left
thy first love.
5 Remember therefore
from whence thou art fallen,
and repent, and do the first works;
or else I will come
unto thee quickly,
and will remove thy candlestick
out of his place, except thou repent.”**

Is there any hope
for our country,
or for any nation
in spiritual decline?
Are we so far gone
that we can't see
the danger we're in?

Is there hope
for a country where
aborting babies
is seen as acceptable?

Is there hope
for a nation that promotes
same-sex marriage
and gender re-identification?

Is there hope for a place
where stepping on others
to get ahead is okay?
Can we turn back to God,
or have we gone too far?

This country needs to wake up!

This country needs revival.
This country needs
a mighty move of God!
If we don't seek God now,
What will happen next?

If we keep going
the way we are,
what will be left
for our children?

What kind of world
are we handing
down to them?
A world where
right and wrong
are flipped upside down,
where truth is
pushed aside,
and evil is called good.

We have to ask ourselves,
how much longer
Can we go on like this?
It's not just about
what's happening out there
in the world—
it's about what's happening here,
in our hearts.
Are we seeking God?
Are we praying for change?

The time to turn
back to God is now.
The time to repent is now.
We need to get serious
about our faith

because the future
of our country depends on it.
Without God, we are lost.

God promises in **2 Chronicles 7:14**,
**“if my people, who are called by my name,
will humble themselves and pray
and seek my face and turn
from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven,
and I will forgive their sin
and will heal their land.”**

We live in a great country,
but we need to ask
how long we can go on
without turning back to God.
Let's humble ourselves,
pray, and seek Him
so that we can heal
our hearts and our land.

Proverbs 14:12 says,
**“There is a way which seemeth
right unto a man,
but the end thereof
are the ways of death.”**

We say we're a great nation,
but how can that be
if we turn our backs
on God?
We can't expect His blessings
while straying from His truth.

God's patience has limits.
When His protection is lifted,
we risk destruction.

Jesus warns us
that those who build
their lives on sand
will face a great fall.
Our nation is building on sand,
and we've gotta
get right with God.

We live in nations,
but we also belong
to one of two
spiritual kingdoms:
the kingdom of God
or the kingdom of Satan.

Colossians 1:13 reminds us
that we've been delivered
from darkness
and brought into
the kingdom of His Son.

To move from
the devil's kingdom to God's,
we must be born again
through repentance
and faith in Jesus.

When we believe in Him,
we are saved and become
citizens of heaven.
Now, we need to live out
our new identity.

Earthly kingdoms
can rise and fall.
Some fade into nothing—
for example, who today

knows any descendants
from the ancient
Hittite civilization?
If America keeps declining,
there's no telling how far
the nation can fall
unless we turn back to God.

Friends, we find ourselves
in a perilous time
where many place their hopes
in the hands of leaders,
believing that this election
On Tuesday
will somehow restore
what has been lost.
Placing your trust in presidents
and political leaders
can lead to
a dangerous illusion.

They promise change,
yet history shows
that these promises
Often turn
into disappointment,
leaving a wake
of broken hopes everywhere.

In a world where leaders
rise and fall like shadows,
remember that the true foundation
lies with the King of Creation.

He is not swayed
by elections or public opinion.
While political figures

may lure us with their words,
they are mere mortals,
frail and unreliable.
Only in the eternal King
we find unwavering strength
and purpose.

The Bible warns us in Jeremiah 17:5,
'Cursed is the one who trusts in man.'
When we invest our faith
in flawed human beings,
we are setting ourselves up
for disappointment.

Psalms 146 echoes this warning,
reminding us not to look
to princes for our salvation.
Instead, we should remember
the stark truth:
without God, all hope is but
a fading shadow.

We must ask ourselves,
what happens when
we rely on those
Who can't deliver?
The answer is not
just disappointment;
it is a deepening despair.

Our true hope lies
in the eternal promises of God,
who alone can bring about
the transformation
we desperately need.
It is time to wake up
to the reality

that only God can save us
from the darkness
closing in around us.

The day will come
when every earthly being
will bow...not before a president,
But before Jesus,
the King of Kings,
revealing the stark reality
of where our
true hope must lie."