

COURAGE UNDER PRESSURE
Unshakable – Faith That Endures
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1. Unshakable Faith Is Moved With Compassion

*When Mordecai learned about all that had been done, **he tore his clothes**, put on burlap and ashes, and went out into the city, **crying with a loud and bitter wail**. – Esther 4:1*

Anyone who does not have the Son of God does not have life. – 1 John 5:12

2. Unshakable Faith Risks Reaching Out

*Anyone who appears before the king in his inner court without being invited is **doomed to die** unless the king holds out his gold scepter. And the king has not called for me to come to him for thirty days. – Esther 4:11*

*[Esther says] I will go in to see the king. **If I must die, I must die**. – Esther 4:16*

[Jesus says] If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. – Matthew 16:24

3. Unshakable Faith Recognizes Our Moments Of Opportunity

*Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just **such a time as this**? – Esther 4:14*

4. Unshakable Faith Asks BIG Things From Our King

*Go and gather together all the Jews of Susa and **fast for me**. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. My maids and **I will do the same**. – Esther 4:16*

*On the third day of the fast, Esther put on her royal robes and **entered the inner court of the palace**, just across from the king's hall. The king was sitting on his royal throne, facing the entrance. – Esther 5:1*

***Let us come boldly** to the throne of our gracious God. – Hebrews 4:16*

5. Unshakable Faith Shares The Good News

*And the people of Susa celebrated the **new decree**. The Jews were **filled with joy and gladness** and were honored everywhere. – Esther 8:15-16*

And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? – Romans 10:14
