The Challenge

"Be on the alert then, because you do not know the day nor the hour." Matthew 25:13 NASB

Two challenges for 2026

Don't wait until the last minute to be spiritually prepared, because then it will be too late!

Develop an intention plan to remain watchful and alert, as we wait for His return

Fans want what Jesus offers, but admires Him from afar without true commitment; while disciples of Christ want Jesus for Himself, they are "all in" leading them to transformation, not just inspiration.

2 Cor. 13:5 Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ in in you - unless indeed you fail the test"

Heb. 5:12-14...spiritual maturity

When we take Jesus seriously, we allow His life and truth to reshape our character, faith and walk with Him.

Luke 9:61-62 Amp. "Another also said, "I will follow You, Lord [as Your disciple]; <u>but</u> first let me say goodbye to those at my home." But Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back [to the things left behind] is fit for the kingdom of God."

What is your "Yes, but...moment?

Tony Evan's: "When you don't surrender to Christ; you surrender to chaos"

Oswald Chambers says "If a person is ever going to do anything worthwhile, there will be times when he must risk everything by his leap in the dark"

"Sometimes we step out in faith but then let our circumstances pull us under once again!"

What 2025 showed me was the importance of preparing a pathway for his people, so that they can experience God in ways that would make them unmovable and unshakable in the years to come.

"Unshakable" means "Possessing a faith so firm and strong that it cannot be changed, weakened, or destroyed. It's an unwavering trust that endures regardless of external pressures, trials, or difficult circumstances.

We all face opportunities to increase in faith. The problem is that often those moments don't feel like opportunities at all.

James 1:2-4 NASB "Consider it all joy, my brothers and sisters, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."

What do you run to when faced with uncertainties and troubles?

Have your trials developed your character, increased your faith in God? or Are you still stuck in the "yes, but syndrome?

Every trial will bring you to a crisis of belief that will call you to something bigger than you, it will require faith in God, it will require action

We can't have an unshakable life without intentionally bringing God in everything we do!

"Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God," Hebrews 6:1 NASB

Unshakable connection - add info *

Matt. 5:6 blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

What will you do with what you've been given?

. 2 Cor. 5:9-10 ESV "So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil."

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