

SERIES: August / September Series "HE IS ENOUGH"

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TITLE: Developing the Unshakeable Faith

Have you ever experienced a tornado? Or what about a hurricane? Here in Nebraska, it's not uncommon to hear the sirens and learn of the devastation of a tornado. But what would you think if you saw on a news report of a town that was demolished except for one single home? The home is a miracle. Not a broken window. No missing shingles. Not even a dent in the siding. If you're like me, you'd wonder what made this house so indestructible to a catastrophic event.

Well, we as Christians can be just like that house when the storms of life happen. The question is, how?

Paul has the answer for us in Colossians 2:6-7 (NLT).

"And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness."

I wish I could all my time just on verse 6. But let me say this: when you become a Christian, you are by default a follower, a slave, and a disciple of Christ. Jesus is not just your Savior. He is Lord of all. Therefore, where He calls, we go. And where He leads is freedom and life to the fullest.

But how do we get to that point where we are able to follow Him? How do we come to a place where we can follow Him through the storms and the blessed seasons of life? Paul tells us. Grow your roots down into Christ. Let our lives be built on Christ alone. It is there your faith will grow strong, unshakeable, and full of gratitude.

I'm a gardener. Not a great one, but I understand what you reap is what you sow. But it's not just what you sow, but how you sow it. Take radishes for example. The type of soil, the type of fertilizer, the amount of water, and sun all create a unique radish. So if you want a life and faith that is unshakeable no matter the outcome, diagnosis, relationship status, or bank statement, you must be firmly planted in Christ and His Word.

This is why Charles Spurgeon said, "A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't." If you want a strong faith, begin with strong roots in Christ fertilized by the Word of God.

So this is my challenge for you today. Commit to engaging in God's Word 4 or more times this week. We know at BttB that if you engage in God's Word four or more times per week, you will

see a difference in your life. It leads to life transformation. God wants us to stand firm. Stand faithful. And stand on His Word. So commit to engaging in His Word. Now that you how to stand firm, go win the day.