

Trapped By Injustice (Part 4) (Facing Our Inherited Condition)

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Question for the Year: Why People Don't do What They Say they are Going to Do? **Answer**: Some have never had the courage to travel far enough to see their condition.

Series Summary:

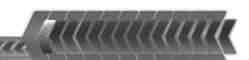
- 1. They have not **faced** their true condition (**Facing Our True Condition**)
- 2. They have not met the right people (People Who Reveal Your True Condition)
- 3. They have not **traveled** to see their condition (**Traveling the Distance to See**)
- 4. They have not **embraced** their inherited condition (**Facing Our Inherited Condition**)

Facing Our True Condition

America is an old house. We can never declare the work over. Wind, flood, drought, and human upheavals batter a structure that is already fighting whatever flaws were left unattended in the original foundation. When you live in an old house, you may not want to go into the basement after a storm to see what the rains have wrought. Choose not to look, however, at your own peril. The owner of an old house knows that whatever you are ignoring will never go away. Whatever is lurking will fester whether you choose to look or not. Ignorance is no protection from the consequences of inaction. Whatever you are wishing away will gnaw at you until you gather the courage to face what you would rather not see. \(^1\) (Isabel Wilkerson)

I. Questions to Ponder About the Condition of Your Inheritance:

- 1. What is the **true condition** of the inheritance that was passed down to you?
- **2.** Was the inheritance house you were left in good condition with no **deferred maintenance**?
- **3.** If you left your kids your **current home** today, what condition is it in?
- **4.** What is the condition of the **debt** you would leave your kids if you died today?



¹ Caste: The Origin of Our Discontent by Isabel Wilkerson



5. How much **cash** will you leave your kids in your inheritance if you died today?

II. Four Closing Thoughts About the Power of an Inheritance

1. The Wisdom of Leaving a Good Inheritance (Proverbs 13:22)

• A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children, but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous.

2. The Wisdom of Following God with Your Whole Heart Joshua 14:9 (NIV)

• 9 So on that day Moses swore to me, 'The land on which your feet have walked will be your inheritance and that of your children forever, because you have followed the Lord my God wholeheartedly.'

3. The Inheritance You Can't Conceive (1 Corinthians 2:9)

• What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what **no human mind has conceived**"—the things God has prepared for those who love him—

4. The Inheritance That Is Unique to the Faithful (Isaiah 64:4)

• 4 Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.

Closing Thoughts: America is a home that we were all left to inherit. God has truly blessed us in our American home. We have a tough history but a great potential. May we bind together and embrace the truth about our journey and work on building a better inheritance for our children.

Next Series: Trapped Financially

Series Map for March

- 1. Trapped by Unnecessary Obligations (How necessary are your obligations?)
- 2. Trapped by a Naïve Assumption (What have you been financially naive about?)
- **3.** Trapped by Uncontrolled **Debt** (How easily broken are you financially?)
- **4.** Trapped by Financial **Isolation** (Who can you call to help you?)

