



**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?)