

# **THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS.**

**JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY AND FOREVER.**

**“GOD COMMITS HIMSELF: Part 2”  
- *WHERE THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS, THERE IS LIBERTY.***

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# ANCHOR BIBLE REFERENCES

## ➤ Hebrews 13: 5-8

➤ <sup>5</sup> God has said,

“Never will I leave you;  
never will I forsake you.”

➤ <sup>6</sup> So we say with confidence,

“The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.  
What can mortal man do to me?”

➤ <sup>7</sup> Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you.  
**Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.**

➤ <sup>8</sup> **Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.**



# The Leaders, consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

## Luke 5:37-38

"No one pours new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins, the wine will spill, and the wineskins will be ruined."

"Instead, new wine is poured into new wineskins."

**(This year, we must have a fresh vision of our Christian life)**

As we consider the life of the leaders and their faith, let us apply the lessons and, thus, create new wineskins and expand our spiritual container to enable God to move the mountains He has planned to move for us from 2023.

# Our Mandate Remains:

- ▶ “The House of Prayer for all Nations; Extending God’s Love to all the Nations.”
- ▶ We are sowers (not eaters) but the sowers reap in multiple folds.
- ▶ **2 Chronicles 7:13-14** “When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people, if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”
- ▶ **Ezekiel 22:30** “<sup>30</sup> And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge (wall), and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.”

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**In Part 1: Moses said,** *“The Egyptians You See Today, You Will See No More.”* We saw that Moses worked with god. and god destroyed the Egyptians. There is a difference between working with God and working for God.

**PART 2:** God said, ***“WHERE THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS, THERE IS LIBERTY.”***

“THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS” acts wherever the Spirit of God is. Our focus should, therefore, be on receiving the Holy Spirit and working closely with Him. ***The Spirit brings liberty for God to move the mountain.***

**In Genesis 1,** we see that the Holy Spirit was present before God created everything in the world.

➤ **Genesis 1:**<sup>1</sup>In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **2** Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep (brethren, this mountain needed to be moved), and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters (*With the Spirit in place, God spoke to the mountain and it moved*).



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- ➔ **Brethren**, receiving the Holy Spirit and working with Him is so crucial for our all-round victory on earth.
- ➔ Reason in **Act 19:1-2 at Ephesus**,  
<sup>1</sup>Paul found some disciples <sup>2</sup>and asked them, **“Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”** They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”
- ➔ **WOW!**
- ➔ <sup>3</sup>So Paul asked, “Then what baptism did you receive?” “John’s baptism,” they replied.
- ➔ <sup>4</sup>**Paul said**, “John’s baptism was a baptism of repentance.... <sup>6</sup>Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied.

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➔ In Matthew 3:11 (NLT) John the Baptist said

“I baptize with water those who repent of their sins and turn to God (this baptism is confirmation of repentance). But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I’m not worthy even to be His slave and carry His sandals. **He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.**”

**2 Corinthians 3: 16-18 says**

<sup>16</sup>Whenever someone turns to the Lord (repentance), the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup>For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty (freedom). <sup>18</sup>So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like Him as we are changed into His glorious image (to comfort to the original plan of God in Genesis 1:26).

**Genesis 1:26** “Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

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- **Brethren**, we are baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire
- The Holy Spirit establishes our holiness before God and positions us for our liberty/freedom.

**2 Corinthians 1:22** says “God has identified us as His own by placing the Holy Spirit in our hearts as the first installment that guarantees everything He has promised us.”

**Romans 8:16** “The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.”

**Ephesians 1: 13-14 (NLT)** <sup>13</sup>When you believed in Christ, He identified you as His own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom He promised long ago. <sup>14</sup> **The Spirit is God’s guarantee that He will give us the inheritance He promised and that He has purchased us to be His own people.** He did this so we would praise and glorify Him.

**Brethren**, a child of God that is not blooming in the Holy Spirit (Paul calls it ‘they spoke in tongues and prophesied’) is short-changing himself or herself.



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1 Thessalonians 4:7-8

- “<sup>7</sup> God has called us to live holy lives, not impure lives. <sup>8</sup> Therefore, anyone who refuses to live by these rules is not disobeying human teaching but is rejecting God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you.”

## ➤ **The Baptism by FIRE**

**Acts 10:38** “God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, because God was with Him.”

- **Jesus is God and without sin. Therefore, He was anointed with Holy Spirit and power (given power straight)**

**2 Corinthians 5:21** “Be reconciled to God. God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”

- **We are sinners and came through the pathway of repentance to accept Jesus Christ. Therefore, we are baptized with the Holy Spirit and with fire (fire consumes sins and is the channel for God to act).**

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- Hebrews 12:29 “for our “God is a consuming fire.”
- God baptizes us with fire as a symbol to confirm that He has accepted our sacrifice and has positioned us for victory:
- **In 1 King 18:36-37,** <sup>36</sup> At the usual time for offering the evening sacrifice, Elijah the prophet walked up to the altar and prayed, “O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, prove today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant. Prove that I have done all this at your command. <sup>37</sup> O LORD, answer me! **Answer me so these people will know that you, O LORD, are God and that you have brought them back to yourself (salvation).**”
- <sup>38</sup> **Immediately the fire of the LORD flashed down from heaven** and burned up the young bull, the wood, the stones, and the dust. It even licked up all the water in the trench! <sup>39</sup> **And when all the people saw it, they fell face down on the ground and cried out, “The LORD—He is God! Yes, the LORD is God!”**

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➤ **Brethren**, your enemies will see the fire, your mountains will see they and they will all be shouting **“The LORD—He is God! Yes, the LORD is God!”**

➤ **The burning FIRE is a channel for God’s power:**

<sup>40</sup> Then Elijah commanded, “Seize all the prophets of Baal. Don’t let a single one escape!” So the people seized them all, and Elijah took them down to the Kishon Valley and killed them there. <sup>41</sup> Then Elijah said to Ahab, **“Go get something to eat and drink, for I hear a mighty rainstorm coming!”**

➤ **Brethren**, the fire of God comes before He moves the mountain.

➤ But none of our efforts is required to bring down the fire of God provided the Holy Spirit is active within us..

➤ **However, when the fire comes on us, we must keep it burning.**

**Philippians 2:12** “continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling.”

**Exodus 24:17** “And the sight of the glory of the LORD was like a consuming fire on the mountaintop in the eyes of the Israelites.”

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➤ **Leviticus 6:** “<sup>12</sup>Meanwhile, the fire on the altar must be kept burning; it must never go out. Each morning the priest will add fresh wood to the fire.”

➤ David said - **Psalm 97:3-4**

“<sup>3</sup>Fire goes before Him and consumes His foes on every side. <sup>4</sup>His lightning illuminates the world; the earth sees and trembles”

**Psalm 50:3** “Our God approaches and will not be silent! Consuming fire precedes Him, and a tempest rages around Him.”

**Brethren**, if the fire is quenched, God cannot arise.

**Psalm 68:1 says** “ God arises. His enemies are scattered, and those who hate Him flee His presence. **2**As smoke is blown away, You will drive them out; as wax melts before the fire, the wicked will perish in the presence of God.



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## ➤ Conclusion

As we are baptized with the Holy Spirit and Fire, once we keep our fire burning, our mountains will be moved.

## ➤ Examples

- Fire came down for Elijah before God moved the mountains of Baal and Rain
- **In 2 Kings 6,** <sup>8</sup> the king of Syria was warring against Israel,
- <sup>17</sup> Then Elisha prayed and said, God open the eyes of my servant that he may see.” So the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.



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## SUMMARY

- **WE HAVE THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS** (Even if He has to use plagues like he did on Pharaoh, He will)
- **BUT LET’S KEEP OUR FIRE BURNING** (add fresh wood to the fire) ....
  1. **Be in agreement with the Holy Spirit** – “The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God” (Romans 8:16).
  2. **Study the bible to show yourself approved**
  3. **Repent & Pray without ceasing** (Proverbs 1:23; Psalm 51:2-3, 10-11)
  4. **Guide your salvation with fear and trembling** (be mindful of your salvation)
  5. **Those who work with God, Listen to God’s voice, Obey God and keep His commands: Example:** In all the plagues sent on Egypt, God spoke to Moses, he heard and carried out.