

# **THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS.**

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

**“HOW WE JOURNEY IS A PHASE TO OUR VICTORY!”  
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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.**



## 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 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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God is interested in how we are journeying along.

In Psalm 34, David said

“<sup>1</sup> I will extol the LORD at all times; His praise will always be on my lips.

<sup>2</sup> I will glory in the LORD; **let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**”

**Brethren**, ‘extol at all times & praise always’ that David talked about here is not the testimony time that happens when we have got our victory. Rather, this is the praise season that happens in the journey to victory.

David recognized that this praise that occurs on our journey, gladdens the heart of the afflicted when they hear it.

“<sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and He answered me; He delivered me **from all my fears.**”<sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and His ears are attentive to their cry;” ... (fear and cry occur during the journey)

<sup>17</sup> The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; He delivers them from all their troubles. (righteous cries out during the journey).

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## 1 Peter 5:8-10

<sup>8</sup>Be sober-minded and alert. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, standing firm in your faith and in the knowledge that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>**And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself restore you, secure you, strengthen you, and establish you”**

**Brethren,** God is interested in how we handle the “little while in our journey”

**In Hebrews 12:8, Paid said...**

If you do not experience discipline like everyone else, then you are illegitimate children and not true sons.

**Luke 4:3-12, as Jesus was on His journey,**

“the devil said unto Him, If you are the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread”. And Jesus said “it is written....”

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**Brethren Jesus is** “The Unseen Guest at Every Meal” and the “silent listener to every conversation” (Hebrew 4:13) is watches to see how the righteous is handling the journey:

**Luke 24: 13-33** gives account of how Jesus silently shows-up.

**Jesus now risen from the death began to show-up in different places.**

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of the apostles were going to a village called Emmaus, (near Jerusalem). <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> **but they were kept from recognizing Him.** <sup>17</sup> **He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”**

<sup>18</sup> They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

➡ <sup>19</sup> **“What things?” He asked.**

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“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. **“He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people (very sharp testimony).** <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> **In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning** <sup>23</sup> but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.” ....

<sup>30</sup> **When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.** <sup>31</sup> **Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him,** and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”



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## Matthew 16: 13-20, on journey, Peter Declared Jesus Is the Messiah

<sup>13</sup> When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” <sup>14</sup> They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup> “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup> Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup> **And I tell you that you are Peter, and** on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be <sup>[e]</sup>loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup> Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

### ➤ How Peter handled the journey paved the way for his next level

- Upon Peter a Rock is built
- The gates of hell will not prevail against him...
- With Peter first 3,000 people gave their life to Christ (Acts 2:41)
- Peter's shadow raised the dead.
- These all happened because Peter proclaimed the correct testimony on the journey

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## Numbers 14, Israelites and the Spies show different dispositions

**The Israelis said** 2 “If only we had died in Egypt! Or in this wilderness! 3 Why is the LORD bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn’t it be better for us to go back to Egypt?” 4 And they said to each other, “We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt.”

6 Joshua and Caleb, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes 7 and said to the entire Israelite assembly, “The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. 8 If the LORD is pleased with us, he will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. 9 Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them.”

10 But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the LORD appeared at the tent of meeting to all the Israelites. 11 The LORD said to Moses, “How long will these people treat me with contempt? How long will they refuse to believe in me, in spite of all the signs I have performed among them? 12 I will strike them down with a plague and destroy them, but I will make you into a nation greater and stronger than they.”

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**Brethren**, David understood this and filled his life with praise, worship and positive affirmations that demonstrate his confidence in the Lord.

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<sup>2</sup> I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.” (Psalm 34:1-2)

**Scripture captured 150 chapters full of David’s praises, worship**

**Revelations 3:15** “So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.”

**Sometimes**, the journey is prolonged because of how we handle the journey.

**Joshua 5:6**, “The Israelites had moved about in the wilderness forty years until all the men who were of military age when they left Egypt had died, since they had not obeyed the LORD. For the LORD had sworn to them that they would not see the land he had solemnly promised their ancestors to give us, a land flowing with milk and honey.”

**Brethren**, let us handle our journey with care. **GOD BLESS YOU!**