

THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS.

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

**WHAT DO YOU SEE, MOUNTAIN OR ROCK?
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ANCHOR BIBLE REFERENCES

➤ Hebrews 13: 5-8

➤ ⁵ God has said,

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

➤ ⁶ So we say with confidence,

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

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

➤ ⁸ **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** ³⁰ “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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Brethren, last Sunday, we were reminded of the last words of Jesus Christ: "IT IS FINISHED" (Jn. 19:30). And we saw that as many as received Jesus and believe in His name, He gave them the right to become children of God (Jn. 1:12). By this right, we changed position from the domain of darkness to the kingdom of light.

Now, in the kingdom of light, **both Mountain and Rock exist:**

#1: Mountains: God uses them to show forth His power and to test our faith. They can never harm you. They are there only for a while; and they are moved.

Psalm 46: 10 God says to the righteous, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

In **Matthew 17:20** Jesus said, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. **Nothing will be impossible for you.**"

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► Reason, scripture makes it clear that our faith is key:

Romans 1:17 “For in the gospel, the righteousness of God is revealed from faith o faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.” (NKJV)

2 Corinthians 3:18 “We are being transformed ... from glory to glory” (through the mountains we overcome).

Hosea 4:6 “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God.”

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”

Brethren, the mountains we overcome enable us to declare the praise of God.

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#2: the ROCK: God uses the Rock to bring help to you at the point of your need. It is always there around you. It never goes away. It shows up at point of need. But you **MUST** recognize its presence.

Matthew 28:20 Jesus said “And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” **Jesus is the Rock!**

1 Corinth. 10:4 “And all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.”

In Psalm 18:2, David said “The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.”

1 Samuel 2:2 says “There is none holy like the LORD: for there is none besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

2 Samuel 22:2 “The LORD is my Rock and my fortress and my deliverer”

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1 Peter 2:6 God said “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone (Rock) chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

Isaiah 26:4 “Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD GOD is an everlasting Rock.

Brethren, Jesus is the Rock. He goes with you everywhere you go. His job is to defend you and to supply your needs to enable you stay effective in the game.

In Psalm 18:31, David said “For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God”

In Psalm 61: 2, David said, when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.”

Deuteronomy 32:18 tells us to be mindful of the presence of the Rock. “You were unmindful of the Rock that bore you, and you forgot the God who gave birth to you.”

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The question then is “are we children of God, in the kingdom of light, making a clear distinction between Mountain and the Rock? Do we know that while Rock is always there, mountain needs to be moved?”

- Ability to make this spiritual distinction, clearly, is a demonstration of knowledge and discernment.
- If we don't distinguish, then we will be treating a mountain like the Rock, and thus leaving it last for too long in our lives **OR**
- we will be treating the Rock as a Mountain, and thus instead of us asking it to supply our needs, we will be commanding it to move.
- Or we will not even **be mindful of the presence of the Rock.**

Brethren, the Rock supplies our needs:

Exodus 17:6, we see that both mountain (allowed by God) and Rock co-existed in the same place for Moses:

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On one side, God referred to it as a mountain and on the hand He referred to it as Rock.

➤ **As Rock:** When Moses needed water to give to the children of Israel to drink, God pulled water for him from the Rock (**Exodus 17:6**):

Exodus 17:6 “Behold, I will stand before you there on the Rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel.”

The case:

Exodus 17:1 “The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² So they quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.

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Moses replied, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?” ³ But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?”

⁴ Then Moses cried out to the LORD, “What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵ The LORD answered Moses, “Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. **Strike the rock,** and water will come out of it for the people to drink.” So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel.

➔ **As a Mountain:** Mount Horeb (or Mount Sinai) is the same place where Moses saw the glory of God but the Israelites saw His glory in the form of a consuming fire. It was the same place where cloud covered the mountain and God spoke to Moses from the mountain (**Exodus 19 and Exodus 34**).

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Brethren,

1 Corinthians. 10:4 “they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.”

Each of us has the Spiritual Rock that follows us, and that Rock is Christ. Therefore, just as Moses drew the solution to his problem from the Rock that followed them, let us also draw the solutions to our problems from the Rock that follows us. And let us not confuse the mountain with the Rock.

Mountains will go BUT the Rock follows us around. He will never leave us and He will never forsake us (**Hebrews 13: 5**).

Though God provides everything automatically, there is always that one He leaves us to get from the Rock. The ability to get from the Rock is what distinguishes one Christian from another.

Exodus 13:21-22 says ²¹ By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of

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fire to give them light, so that they could travel by day or night. ²² Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.

God did all these and yet held back drinking water until Moses turned to the Rock.

Isaiah 53:5 says “But He was wounded^[a] for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. **Let us tap unto the power in the Rock.**

GOD BLESS YOU!

KCM Corporate Prayers:

1. Pray for KCM, that it continues to fulfil its mandate to God's glory.
2. Prayer for Nations: Speak to their specific needs and also ask for forgiveness of sins
3. For Leaders of each nation.
4. For Ministry/Missions/Churches & For Ministers/Missionaries/ Priests.
Remember the Ministers are being pulled down and their churches scattered
6. For God's elect and Peaceful Leadership Transitions in various Nations.
7. For Families, Marriages & Children.
8. For Members of KCM.
9. Pray for all First Nations, Indigenous Australians and others, for forgiveness of hurt, rebuilding of relationship and allowing God's word to penetrate their land so they can get the abundance of God's love.
10. Pray for an end to the war of Israel & Hamas and Russia & Ukraine.
11. Personal prayer, especially based on lessons from the message today
12. For Any Special Request – (also bring up your private special request to God).
13. For the week & next Sunday.