THE GOD THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS. JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY AND FOREVER.

WHEN THE MOUNTAIN IS MOVED - Part 1: - "THE LATER GLORY OF THIS TEMPLE WILL BE GREATER THAN THE FORMER."

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Hebrews 13: 5-8

5 God has said,

"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

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 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 "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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"THE LATER GLORY OF THIS TEMPLE WILL BE GREATER THAN THE FORMER." In Haggai 2:9, God said

"The latter glory of this temple (house) will be greater than the former,' says the LORD of armies, 'and in this place I will give peace,' declares the LORD of armies." (NASB)

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 says "¹⁹Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have received from God?" ²⁰.... Therefore glorify God with your body"

Romans 8:9 "if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ"

Brethren, what this means is that God sometimes allows mountains in our body because it is the means to expand the glory. But God never intends that the mountain will consume us.

2 Corinthians 4:8 "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair."

Romans 8:37 "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

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John 16:33 "I have told you these things so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take courage; I have overcome the world!"

Isaiah 40:31 "Those who wait upon the LORD will renew their strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint."

Psalms 34:19-21 "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the Lord delivers him out of them all. He guards all his bones; Not one of them is broken. Evil shall slay the wicked, And those who hate the righteous shall be condemned."

1 Corinthians 15:57 "My beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain."

Unfortunately, sometimes, because of ignorance (lack of knowledge), and sometimes because of disobedience, we allow the mountain to over stretch us or sometimes even consume us by making us give up the fight and change gears..

Hosea 4:6 "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you <u>from being priest for</u> <u>Me</u>; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

God intentionally allows mountains in our lives. In every case, He expects us to be able to overcome it either by we being able to move it or God moving it for us.

Example, as we saw in GOD COMMITS HIMSELF – Part 8, God said: "say to this mountain 'be lifted up and thrown into the sea', and it will be done for you."

Mark 11:23 "Truly I tell you that if anyone says to this mountain, 'Be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and has no doubt in his heart but believes that it will happen, it will be done for him."

We saw that Jesus, haven been anointed with Holy Spirit and power,

allows us to draw from His power to move our mountains.

In Luke 8:43-46⁴³ a woman who has been bleeding for twelve years, and no physician could heal her. ⁴⁴ came up behind Jesus and touched the edge of his garment, and immediately her bleeding stopped. Jesus said ⁴⁵ "Who touched me?" ⁴⁶ "Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me."

Brethren, God intentionally allows mountains in our lives. In every case, he expects us to be able to overcome it either by we being able to move it (by drawing power from Jesus) or God moving it for us.

Jeremiah 29:11 "¹¹For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (- We must do everything possible to ensure we triumph in our mountains.)

John 9:2-3 "² His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³ "Neither this man nor his parents

sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.

Brethren, without mountains, there will be no higher glory. We just need to continuously ask for God's grace to triumph

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12, Paul said, "¹¹To this end, we always pray for you, that our God will count you worthy of His calling, and that He will powerfully fulfill your every good desire and work of faith, **12**so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 8:28-30 says "²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also

called: and whom He called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified."

To be triumphant, we need also the mind of Jesus Christ, who though knew that a mountain confronted Him, looked beyond the mountain to see the higher glory that would come after the mountain <u>BUT</u> through the mountain.

Hebrews 12:2 "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting Him, He endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now He is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne.

Brethren, though Jesus knew He would be killed in Jerusalem, He entered Jerusalem triumphantly – with boldness because He was seeing the greater glory:

In Mark 10:32-34,

"³² Jesus and His disciples were now on the road going up to Jerusalem. Jesus was going ahead of the disciples, who were filled with alarm; the people who followed behind were afraid. Once again Jesus took the twelve disciples aside and spoke of the things that were going to happen to him. ³³ "Listen," he told them, "we are going up to Jerusalem where the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the teachers of the Law. They will condemn him to death and then hand him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴ who will make fun of him, spit on him, whip him, and kill him; **but three days later He will rise to life.**"

Mark 11 The Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

¹As they approached Jerusalem, near the towns of Bethphage and Bethany, they came to the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of his disciples on ahead ² with these instructions: "Go to the village there ahead of you.

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As soon as you get there, you will find a colt tied up that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ And if someone asks you why you are doing that, say that the Master^[a] needs it and will send it back at once." ⁴So they went and found a colt out in the street, tied to the door of a house. As they were untying it, 5 some of the bystanders asked them, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶ They answered just as Jesus had told them, and the crowd let them go. 7 They brought the colt to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the animal, and Jesus got on.⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches in the field and spread them on the road.⁹ The people who were in front and those who followed behind began to shout, "Praise God! God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ God bless the coming kingdom of King David, our father! Praise be to God!" ¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem, went into the

the Temple, and looked around at everything. But since it was already late in the day, he went out to Bethany with the twelve disciples.

Brethren, Jesus knew he would not meet anyone n the temple but e wanted to demonstrate that death cannot old Him bound. That the mountain before Him cannot consume Him. He was confident that death will not hold Him bound.

Let of imitate the faith of those who have one before us and handle our mountain with triumph so the we can emerge out on the other side where our glory will be greater than the former.

God Bless you.