

## Articles and Sermons :: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains

### You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains - posted by FranklinB, on: 2010/11/2 22:49

Jesus gave you his authority to rule in life. That's why He said to his disciples "Occupy till I come", in other words you hold things down until I come back. Well if He told you to occupy until He comes then He empowered you to do it. That's why He said "If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed you will say unto this mountain, be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea and it shall obey you" (Matthew 17:20). A lot of times when we approach a mountain we have the wrong view point. We look up at them when we should be looking down on them. The scripture says God raised Jesus up and sat him at his right hand with all things under his feet (Ephesians 1:20-22). And if all things are under his feet they are under your feet because God raised us up to set together with him (Ephesians 2:6).

But, sometimes we neglect our authority, we pray to God to do something and He's given you the authority to deal with it. Authority is given for a reason. Authority is given for you to rule over somethings. So you should be speaking to the mountains in your life in the name of Jesus. In Matthew 8:9 notice what the centurion said "For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it." Notice he does not go to his superiors to get those under him to do something, he spoke and they obeyed. So when you come against a mountain in your life you should look from your seating in Christ, down on them and not up at them.

### Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains - posted by sojourner7 (), on: 2010/11/2 22:57

GOD raised up JESUS, GOD is greater  
than our difficulties, our hardships,  
our trials. GOD rules, we don't!!

### Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains - posted by enid, on: 2010/11/3 4:56

All this is is faith in faith, rather than faith in God.

John 15v5, 'I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in Him, bears much fruit, for without Me you can do nothing.

Our faith, trust and confidence needs to be in God and His word. And not in the vain and erroneous teachings of those who veer almost on blasphemy.

### Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains, on: 2010/11/3 8:36

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But 'we' don't OWN the authority of God. It remains HIS authority, which, as we abide in Him, He exercises THROUGH us.

This necessarily implies we have been buried with Him and are risen to walk in newness of life, not seeking our own things, but those which please HIM. Obviously, unbelief does not please Him, but the 'catch 22' of having authority as Christ did, is the cross which awaits our daily embrace.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. Our victory over sin, THROUGH CHRIST, wins FOR HIM our worship and adoration.

Having laid hold on His victory, we are granted to exercise His authority, as we live to please God by doing His will.

**Re: - posted by jimp, on: 2010/11/3 9:44**

hi, i knew the father of this teaching...ken hagin. you did not start in the beginning, have faith in God or have the God kind of faith. now if God told me to move the mountain with my speech than i would tell it to move and it would move because God would move it ...the difference between faith and presumption is a word from God to you personally. jimp

**Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains, on: 2010/11/3 10:35**

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Franklin, can you give me some concrete real life examples about what you mean by "moving mountains"?

**Re: , on: 2010/11/3 11:19**

Just keep saying it, keep speaking it and soon enough it will be yours!  
You possess what you express!  
You own what you disown!  
You keep what you reap!  
You knead what you need!  
No doe? No problem just confess and it's yours!

**Re: - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2010/11/3 11:35**

I have been looking up church history to see if it ever happened that some one has taken that promise literally and was amazed to find this account that happened in Egypt history around the 10th century.

History tells us:

Saint Simon the Tanner lived towards the end of the tenth century when Egypt was ruled by the Fatimid Caliph Al-Muizz, and Abraam the Syrian was the 62nd Coptic Pope (975 - 978).

At the time, many Copts (Coptic Christians) in Egypt were engaged in handicrafts. Saint Simon worked in one of those crafts widespread in Babylon (Old Cairo) which was tanning, a craft still known there till this day. This profession involved also other crafts that depend on the process, from where St. Simon carried several titles related to skins; Saint Simon the Tanner, the Cobbler, the Shoemaker.

The Caliph Al-Muizz, who reigned during 972-975 AD, used to invite different religious leaders to debate in his presence. In one of those meetings in which the patriarch Abraham, also known as Pope Abraam and a Jew named Yaqub (Jacob) Ibn Yusuf Ibn Killis (and in another account of this story, was known as Moses) were present, Abraham got the upper hand in the debate. Plotting to take revenge, Ibn Killis quoted the verse where Jesus Christ, said in Matthew: If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to the mountain, Move from here to there, and it will move, nothing will be impossible for you (Matthew 17:20), and demanded that the Pope prove that his religion is right by means of this. After hearing Ibn Killis say this, the caliph asked Abraham What sayest thou concerning this word? Is it your gospel or not? The patriarch answered Yes, it is in it. After hearing Abraham answer, the caliph demanded that this very miracle be performed by Abraham's hand, or else he would be killed by the hand of the sword. It was then after hearing this that the patriarch asked for three days to complete the miracle.

The Hanging Church, Cairo, built in the 3rd or 4th century AD. Abraham compiled a group of monks, priests and elders. He told them to all stay in the church for three days for a penance. On the morning of the third day, Abraham was praying in the Church of the Holy Virgin al-Mu'allaqa, when he saw the Holy Virgin. The Holy Virgin told him to go to the great

market. She said to him: “there thou wilt find a one-eyed man carrying on his shoulder a jar full of water; seize him, for he it is at whose hands this miracle shall be manifested.” Abraham listened to the Holy Virgin and went to the market where he met the man the Holy Virgin spoke of. The man who the Virgin spoke of was Simeon the tanner, who had plucked out his eye because of a passage from the bible (Matthew 5:29-30) which said: If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

Simeon told Abraham to go out with his priests and all his people to the mountain with the caliph and all his soldiers. Simeon then told Abraham to cry out O Lord, have mercy three times, and each time to make the sign of the cross over the mountain. The patriarch followed the words of Simeon the tanner (who was in the crowd of people) and the mountain was lifted. After the miracle was performed in the presence of the Caliph, the Pope turned left and right looking for St. Simeon the Tanner, but he had disappeared and no one could find him (a sign of the saint's great humility). The caliph then turned to Abraham and said O patriarch, I have recognized the correctness of thy faith.

Shortly after the miracle took place, Al-Muizz decided to convert to Christianity. A baptismal font, large enough for the immersion of a grown man, was built for him in the Church of Saint Mercurius. This font still exists today and is known as “Maamoudiat Al-Sultan”, which means, Baptistery of the Sultan. In commemoration of this miracle, the Coptic Orthodox Church observes three days of fasting before the beginning of the Nativity Fast (Advent).

**Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains, on: 2010/11/3 12:17**

To jimp who said,

Quote:

----- ...the difference between faith and presumption is a word from God to you personally  
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You said it better than I.

And I keep thinking - GOD is bigger than MY mountains!

Gen 7:18 The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters. 19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered. 20 The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered.

Whether He moves the mountain, or makes a way over it, it's God who does it by His faith in His own word, and on His faithfulness, I depend.

**Re: - posted by FranklinB, on: 2010/11/3 13:34**

No it's faith in God's word.

**Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains, on: 2010/11/3 14:30**

Quote:

-----No it's faith in God's word.  
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It's His faith. What do we have that we didn't receive?

through faith; and that not of yourselves: the gift of God:

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

(Eph 2)

12 What shall I render unto the LORD all his benefits toward me?

13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

(Psa 116)

**Re: - posted by StarofGOD (), on: 2010/11/3 15:28**

when it comes to mountains, I have found this article helpful.

[http://www.cfcindia.com/web/mainpages/word\\_for\\_the\\_week.php?display=07\\_02&year=04](http://www.cfcindia.com/web/mainpages/word_for_the_week.php?display=07_02&year=04)

4. In the same verse of Jeremiah 23 we see the Word of God likened to a hammer that breaks the rock into pieces. If you want to make a road on a mountainside, you have to break up rocks. In these days we use dynamite for that purpose, whereas in Jeremiah's day they used hammers. The Word of God is His dynamite, capable of removing huge obstacles out of our way. We all face trials and problems in our lives-situations in which the mountains have closed in upon us and it appears as though we have reached a dead-end. Often we have remained in such situations, discouraged and defeated, not knowing what to do or where to turn. Our ignorance at such times of the promises that God has given us in Scripture has prevented us from claiming them. Otherwise, like dynamite, they would have blasted away the obstacles in our path and taken us triumphantly through the mountain barrier to the other side. How much we have missed by not knowing the Word!

He has created a way of escape 1 cor 10:13

**Re: - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2010/11/3 16:02**

Quote:

-----What do we have that we didn't receive?

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What we have we received by faith.

Quote:

-----through faith; and that not of yourselves: the gift of God:

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9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

I wonder why you quoted this verse in the middle.

The whole verse says:

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: the gift of God:

Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

This verse speaks of salvation being a gift received through faith.

Notice it also says: NOT OF WORKS, lest any should boast.

If salvation was of works, we would have something to boast about. But because it is of faith, we have nothing to boast about.

Also please see Romans 3:27

27Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

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-----What shall I render unto the LORD all his benefits toward me?  
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Faith is not rendering, but when man is faced with his helpless condition to save himself, he then looks to Christ for salvation. That looking to Christ is FAITH.

Quote:

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The act of taking is FAITH.

**Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains, on: 2010/11/3 16:44**

UntoBabes, I don't have anything to reply. I'm meditating on your very good points. Thank you.

**Re: - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2010/11/3 17:09**

Alive-to God,

I don't believe you. I think you are preparing a long response because you know I get tired looking at them. (:

**Re: You Are Bigger Than Your Mountains - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2010/11/3 17:45**

Mountains. Tall. Overwhelming. Intimidating. Describes life situations - sometimes.

Rarely has God ever removed these mountains that trouble me.

But what he has done is given me the grace to cope and deal with it so this situation no longer seems so overwhelming. They become small hills or flat plains.

Someone want to hear a story? I have told it before here, but there are so many new ones here that may never heard this testimony.

Dr. Field called our daughter's house one day and told me she was going to die in a few weeks unless she has surgery to remove that malignancy in her brain. I cried hard for two days.

I decided I cannot live like this! I must have this thing out with God. After putting my granddaughter to bed, I spent time in the WORD, praying and telling God that I do not have the faith that he can heal her but I do need it and would he help me with this?

After spending a long time praying, peace entered my soul because I was impressed with the idea that I should not worry at all about Regina dying. If, or when, she would die God will be there with me. In the meantime, live life to the full each and every day.

This cheered me! I no longer lived in dread of our only daughter leaving us. In the meantime, we lived life to the full - enjoying life and knowing full well the prognosis of Gina's condition unless God intervened supernaturally.

In the middle of Dec. 1995 the Holy Spirit impressed on my mind the verse "Stand back and see the salvation of the LORD." Now, I wondered what will I see? Gina was getting worse and yes, she was dying.

On Jan 13, 1996 she went into a coma and from it she entered into the glories of the LORD the next day. She dies without pain, took no meds for it at all.

That evening before when I went to bed, I read the WORD, prayed and crawled into bed. Then something glorious happened: I saw Regina's life played out - as in a movie - from the time she was born until now. This went on for hours. I was filled with incredible joy that God had loaned her to us for these 25 years. If He had not, we would have missed something so wonderful. But she belonged to him and that meant He could do with her as He pleased.

You see, God gave me this gift of joy in the midst of sorrow and grief. And would you know, I never cried as hard after her passing as I did when I got the surgeons initial report of her potential demise.

FYI: she was anointed with oil three times during her illness.

God bless...

ginnyrose

**Re: , on: 2010/11/3 17:54**

The mountains that get "moved" are usually never the ones that we see with our eyes, but the real mountain that needs to be removed is the mountain of fear and hopelessness. It is when someone is put into a Job situation and can say, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh, blessed be the name of the Lord".

When we can keep our joy and love for Him in the midst of the fiery furnace, some REALLY BIG MOUNTAINS are getting removed.

Faith to stand in the fiery furnace and trust the Lord with all our being is true faith, it's absolute GOLD.

It is the faith that Jesus, the Apostles and an innumerable company of Saints have demonstrated through the centuries. It is these stories that really tell us how powerful God is.

**Re: , on: 2010/11/3 18:11**

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-----I don't believe you. I think you are preparing a long response because you know I get tired looking at them. (:

Untobabes, I can speak on behalf of AtG because I know the poster very well. If the poster is meditating on what you said, take it to heart that it's being done, because AtG is as a true blue of a person as your going to get. If AtG had something to say, AtG would have said it. AtG is not out to get you or to put you down or anything like that at all, AtG like everyone here wants to enjoy a good bible study and if something that AtG doesn't understand, AtG will further the question to find out.

Re: , on: 2010/11/3 18:41

Here is faith that moves mountains. 1 Cor 4:7-18

7 ¶ But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

9 persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

10 always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

11 For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

12 So then death worketh in us, but life in you.

13 ¶ We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; Ps. 116.10 we also believe, and therefore speak;

14 knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.

15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

16 ¶ For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.