

Chapter 1 : Faith That Moves Mountains - FaithGateway

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, We read Jesus' words in the Gospel of Matthew, "Amen, I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move.

Posted by Dawn Mar 22, Uncategorized 5 Hebrews 11 is resplendent with images of what mountain moving faith looks like. The great faithful are revealed for us to study and learn from: For whoever would come near to God must necessarily believe that God exists and that He is the rewarder of those who earnestly and diligently seek Him [out]. It was, however, the continual immersion of my heart basking in His Word that strengthened me and girded me for the road ahead. The mountains were sometimes an actual blessing because I had to go around them a few times to learn the lesson correctly. Sometimes, I took a few turns around the path and realized that as I walked the mountain, the steps I took over the top and back down were the same size as the steps that retreated back to the foot in defeat. Jesus said that all it takes is faith the size of a mustard seed, but what does that mean if we are believing and seeing no results? I would scour His word for the answer and seek Him in prayer till I felt that peace. Over and over I realized that the faith I was looking for was bound up in my ability to be soaked in His Word every single day and speaking that Word into every area of my life. Would it change how we approached them? Plans to give you hope and a future. For you have need of patience, that, after you have done the will of God, you might receive the promise. The just shall live by faith. It is a consistent trusting that God is working all things out for our good. Faith trusts, hopes, endures, and believes that God IS. Perhaps, you are wrestling with the child-like faith that scripture reminds we need to have approaching God. Maybe there is a mountain in your way and you have been hitting the stone foundation repeatedly, and now you are walking away with a sore foot rather than an increased faith. Let me speak straight to your heart, friend. God is in the business of answered prayer. Faith is evidence of persistent prayer and consistent trust in His Word. He answers our prayers. He moves our mountains. The very first scripture that I memorized was Romans We see the beauty and glory of the Son who is the Savior of the World. We come to know the power of His Holy Spirit as we are enlightened by His presence. As our faith grows the mountains have no ability to master our lives, however, we have the ability to cast them quickly and firmly into the sea. Do you have a mountain standing in your way? Pray in faith by His Spirit. Speak to the mountain. Praying for your faith to increase to mountain moving proportion!

Chapter 2 : 1 Corinthians - Bible Gateway

New International Version He replied, "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.

Whoremongering husbands and wives are mountains. Lying friends are mountains. Crack addicted love ons are mountains. The truth of the matter is life is filled with mountains, but my Jesus says if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will obey you. Let me tell you why. First, faith may not always change the outer circumstances of life, but it always changes the inner landscape of life. Hebrews, chapter 11, verse 1, says, "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. When I was a little kid, I remember reading a book about General Hannibal. You probably remember the story of this African General by the name of Hannibal crossing over the Alps and the great mountains and within Italy. And in this little story, I can remember the pictures of the elephants and the donkeys and the army of the African Hannibal crossing the Alps to Italy. This was indeed a great feat of military courage. In fact, it was one of the greatest acts of military courage in human history. And according to the story it said that Hannibal, when he got to the Alps with his army and was about to cross over his army began to rebel. The soldiers saw these gigantic mountains before them. They saw this incredible barrier in front of them and they were afraid to move. They were ready to turn around and go back home. But according to the story, Hannibal rallied his troops and his armies by standing before them pointing toward the Alps and declaring, "Forward march, we see no Alps! We see no mountains! Yes, Faith can change the inner landscape. In 2 Corinthians 5, the Apostle Paul was dealing, I think with his own sense of death, and in this context he says and I quote, "We walk by faith, not by sight. I can say, "Faith is our outward sense that makes our inward vision clear.

Chapter 3 : Faith To Move Mountains Sermon by Fr. Frank Gough, Luke - www.nxgvision.com

In Matthew, mustard seed faith is tied to expelling a demon, and Jesus says those who have such faith can move mountains (Matt.). In Luke, those with mustard seed faith will be able to forgive those who sin against them since such faith can pluck up mulberry trees and cast them into the sea (Luke).

Growing your faith in action 1 Next In our reading from the gospel today, The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith! Then Jesus speaks about a servant doing his duty. He is to do his duty not seeking praise or glory. He tells the disciples you are doing what is expected of you no more, and no less. It seems to me Our Duty is to live by faith in Christ Jesus, - to Walk by Faith - and to be about the task of performing that duty each and every day. Our Duty is to live by faith in Christ Jesus, and it is the performance of that Duty, that will accomplish, or fulfill that request for increased faith. Our Duty is to live by faith in Christ Jesus, and it is the performance of that Duty, that will accomplish or fulfill that request for increased faith. We are not to expect praise or glory from God. Living the Christian Life is what is expected of those who have been saved through Christ Jesus. Followers of the Christ must not just talk the talk, they must walk the walk. That is what Jesus is saying when he speaks about duty. There is a very clear requirement that the Lord needs from each of us to be able to remove mountains, or throw mulberry bushes into the sea. That Requirement to moving mountains in prayer is having Faith in God. There are 4 significant facts about this required Faith in God. The first significant fact is: The object of faith is God Himself. Faith has no value by itself; only the object God has value. Too often, a great difficulty or problem arises, and the believer feels they have to stir up their sincere faith. He or she feels that if he can just stir up enough fervor in their faith, he will whip the problem. But in reality they just have faith in faith. Their mind, their attention, and their heart have been focused upon faith not upon God. Hear me very clearly. God is the One who moves the mountain. Faith requires knowing the object of Faith. Let me repeat that: The more one knows the object of faith, the more one understands how the object may, or may not be trusted. Consider the story of two men who want to go out on a frozen lake in Wisconsin to fish. One man is visiting from Florida and is told to go ahead and cross to the middle of the lake. He is assured by his friend that the ice will hold him up. Yet, when he begins to step out on the ice, he cautiously and tremblingly takes step after step usually until he can stand it no more and returns. But the other man who lives by the lake walks out courageously and boldly, cuts a hole in the ice, and sits down and begins to fish. I have three important non-rhetorical questions for you. Not his faith, but the ice the object of his faith. Of course the man out on the ice. The one with the weak faith is the man who slowly inched his way back. One man knew the ice and the other man did not. The Second Significant Fact about this required faith is its purpose. The Purpose of faith is to remove mountains.

Chapter 4 : Moving Mountains: Faith in Matthew

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Can faith really move mountains? In order to correctly interpret a passage such as Matthew Jesus then chastises them for their lack of faith and then casts the demon out of the boy. Their faith, He says, is small and weak. God condescended—He lowered Himself—to speak to us in ways in which we would understand. Consider a father trying to communicate with his young child. The father has to condescend in order to be understood by the limited intellect and understanding of the child. This is analogous though not identical to the way in which God speaks to us. The Bible employs many forms, or genres, of literature. There is historical narrative, poetry, prophecy, apocalyptic writing, and epistolary literature to name a few. Among these various literary genres, several literary techniques are used—metaphor, simile, imagery, parable, allusion, irony, personification, paradox, and hyperbole. As readers of the Bible, we must recognize when these techniques are being used so we can properly interpret the meaning. For example, in John If we are too literal, we might start looking for a doorknob hidden somewhere on His body. However, if we understand this to be a metaphor, then we can begin to understand His meaning Jesus is the way of access to eternal life, much like a door is the way of access into a room. Another thing to consider in biblical interpretation is the context of the passage. More often than not, when we take a single verse out of its native context, we end up misinterpreting the verse. In the context of Matthew 17, Jesus rebukes the disciples for their weak faith and says that even if they had mustard seed-sized faith, they could command the mountain to move. Jesus tells His disciples that, if their faith was stronger, they could have commanded the demon to leave the boy, and it would be so. This was clearly the case in Matthew 10 when Jesus sent them out to cure diseases, cast out demons, and spread the gospel. Therefore, it is clear from the context that Jesus does not intend to assert that mustard seed-sized faith can literally move mountains. Faith that can move mountains is not meant to imply a faith that can literally move literal mountains. The point Jesus was making is that even a little bit of faith—faith the size of a tiny mustard seed—can overcome mountainous obstacles in our lives.

Chapter 5 : The Faith to Move Mountains - Gordon B. Hinckley

Mountains Removed Faith, Growth In Smallness Possibilities For People Faith, And Blessings Of God Unbelievers Not Believing In Jesus doubt, results of And He said to them, "Because of the littleness of your faith; for truly I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and.

Increased faith is what we most need. Without it, the work would stagnate. With it, no one can stop its progress. My brothers and sisters, let me first deal with a personal matter. The President of the Church belongs to the entire Church. His life is not his own. His mission is to serve. Now, as all of you know, I am somewhat old in years. I had my 96th birthday last June. I have learned from many sources that there is considerable speculation concerning my health. I wish to put the record straight. If I last a few months longer, I will have served to an older age than any previous President. I do not say this to be boastful but rather grateful. Last January I underwent major surgery. It was a miserable experience, particularly for one who had never previously been a patient in a hospital. Following this was the question as to whether I should undergo further treatment. I chose to do so. My doctors have called the results miraculous. I know that the favorable results come from your many prayers in my behalf. I am deeply grateful to you. The Lord has permitted me to live; I do not know for how long. But whatever the time, I shall continue to give my best to the task at hand. It is not an easy thing to preside over this large, complex Church. Nothing escapes the attention of the First Presidency. No major decision, no expenditure of funds is made without their approval. The responsibility and stress are great. But we shall carry on as long as the Lord wishes. As I said last April, we are in His hands. I feel well; my health is reasonably good. But when it is time for a successor, the transition will be smooth and according to the will of Him whose Church this is. And so, we go forward in faith—and faith is the theme I wish to discuss this morning. From the beginning this Church has moved forward with faith. Faith was the strength of the Prophet Joseph. I am grateful for the faith that took him into the grove to pray. I am grateful for his faith to translate and publish the Book of Mormon. I am grateful that he went to the Lord in prayer that was answered with the bestowal of the Aaronic and Melchizedek Priesthoods. I am grateful that in faith he organized the Church and set it on its course. I thank him for the gift of his life as a testimony to the truth of this work. Faith was also the moving power behind Brigham Young. I often reflect on the tremendous faith he exercised in bringing a very large number of people to settle this Salt Lake Valley. He knew very little of the area. He had never seen it, except in vision. I suppose he had studied what meager information there was, but he knew almost nothing of the soil or the water or the climate. Roberts, *A Comprehensive History of the Church*, 3: And so it has been with each of the Presidents of the Church. In the face of terrible opposition, they have moved forward with faith. Whether it was crickets destroying their crops. Whether it was drought or late frost. Whether it was persecution by the federal government. Or, more recently, whether it was an urgent need to extend humanitarian aid to victims of the tsunami, or earthquakes, or floods in divers places, it has all been the same. Welfare shelves have been emptied. Cash by the millions has been dispatched to those in need, regardless of Church membership—all in faith. This is an important anniversary year in the history of the Church, as all of you know. It is the th anniversary of the coming of the Willie and Martin handcart companies and the Hunt and Hodgett wagon companies which accompanied them. Much has been written concerning this, and I need not go into detail. All of you are familiar with the story. Suffice it to say that those who set out on the long journey from the British Isles to the valley of the Great Salt Lake began their travel in faith. They had little or no knowledge of what they were getting into. But they moved forward. They began their journey with great expectation. That expectation gradually failed them as they moved west. As they commenced the tedious journey following the Platte River and then up the valley of the Sweetwater, the cold hand of death took its fearsome toll. Their food was rationed; their oxen died; their carts broke down; they had inadequate bedding and clothing. They sought shelter, but they found none. The storms beat about them. They literally starved to death. Scores died and were buried in the frozen ground. Fortunately, they were passed by Franklin D. Richards on his way from England. He had a lightweight conveyance with horses and was able to travel much faster. He came on to this valley. It was this very season of the year. The general conference was in

session. When Brigham Young received the news, he immediately stood before the congregation and said: I do not want to send oxen, I want good horses and mules. They are in this Territory, and we must have them; also 12 tons of flour and 40 good teamsters, 60 or 65 good spans of mules, or horses, with harness. Immediately horses and mules and strong wagons were offered. Flour in abundance was forthcoming. Warm clothing and bedding were quickly assembled. Within a day or two the loaded wagons were moving eastward through the snow. When the rescuers reached the beleaguered Saints, they were like angels from heaven. People wept tears of gratitude. The handcart people were transferred into wagons so they could travel more quickly to the Salt Lake community. Some two hundred died, but a thousand were saved. She was part of the Hunt wagon company. She was buried the next day. She had lost three of her children on that long journey. The feet of a surviving daughter were terribly frozen. What a story it is. It is filled with suffering and hunger and cold and death. It is replete with accounts of freezing rivers that had to be waded through; of howling blizzards; of the long, slow climb up Rocky Ridge. With the passing of this anniversary year, it may become largely forgotten. But hopefully it will be told again and again to remind future generations of the suffering and the faith of those who came before. Their faith is our inheritance. Their faith is a reminder to us of the price they paid for the comforts we enjoy. But faith is not demonstrated only in big heroic events, such as the coming of the handcart pioneers. It is also demonstrated in small but significant events. Let me tell you of one such event. When the Manti Utah Temple was under construction some years ago, George Paxman worked as a finish carpenter.

Chapter 6 : 17 Best Bible Verses About Mountains - Encouraging Scripture Quotes

Faith to Move Mountains August 12, For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea, and shall not doubt in his heart, But shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass.

Chapter 7 : 7 Bible verses about Faith Moving Mountains

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Chapter 9 : With Faith to Move Mountains “The Say Yes Movement

We are meant to move mountains “to see the impossible occur through the exercise of faith in the omnipotent promises of our sovereign Lord. If we are not seeing mountains move, we are living beneath our means.