My Faith Can Move Mountains

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INTRODUCTION

- 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, and nothing will be impossible to you.
- That if we'll really have faith in God, then the impossible is possible. But of course, that's also a verse that is perverted by many in the world today.

1 A Tale of Two Mountains

Matthew 17:14–20; Matthew 10:1

- God's own voice, the Father's voice from heaven says, This is my beloved son. Hear ye him.
- He is greater than Moses, who gave the law. He is greater than Elijah who stands for the prophets.
- He says to Jesus, I brought him to your disciples. And they could not cure him.
- Here was the mountain that they themselves could not move.

2 Because of the Littleness of Your Faith

Matthew 17:20

- It is because of the littleness of your faith that you cannot drive out this demon.
- It may start off tiny, but of course, as Jesus would say in that parable, it becomes even a tree.
- Jesus is constantly chiding his disciples because they have littleness of faith.
- Their faith had been stagnant. Did they have faith? Yes, they had faith. They had little faith, and that faith wasn't growing as it should have.

3 Their Faith Would Grow: Mountain Moved

Acts 5:12–15; Acts 4:19; Acts 17:6

- Their faith would become even as that mustard seed. It took seeing the resurrected Jesus from the grave, but their faith would grow and it would bloom.
- We cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and what we have heard. Let me tell you, mountain moved.
- The mountain of pride and ambition that was in John's life is gone. To now professing love for all and a sacrificial love at that.
- These men have upset the world. Mountain moves. Because they would develop faith.

4 Some Mountains God Doesn't Want Moved

Psalm 44; Romans 8

- Let's first of all recognize that there are some mountains that God doesn't necessarily want moved.

- It's the Apostle Paul who goes to the Lord three times in prayer saying, Lord, please remove this thorn in the flesh. And the Lord's response was, My grace is sufficient.
- There are obstacles and trials in our life that are there.

5 Real Faith Rooted in Christ Jesus

Romans 10:17; Hebrews 10:23; Hebrews 11:6

- Our faith has to be rooted in Him, and that means much more than mental assent that He is a Son of God.
- Let's make sure the faith we're talking about is in this Jesus. Not the fluffy, not the Jesus they give you on TV.
- My faith can move mountains if my faith is like that mustard seed. And that mustard seed will grow.
- That only happens by purpose. You will not stumble into a stronger faith.

6 Some Mountains That Can Move

Philippians 2; Mark 16:16; 1 Corinthians 15:50–57

- We do not have to act like the rest of the world. We do not have to cower in fear.
- The mountain of discontent that plagues our society can be moved out of your life if you'll just have that kind of faith.
- If we'll humble ourselves and seek each other's good well-being. And that mountain, it can be moved.
- He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, that is faith acting.
- But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Mountain moved.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Will you have that kind of faith that Jesus speaks about? Faith like a mustard seed. It may be small right now, but will you allow it to grow as you learn and hear more of him?**

MY NOTES