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Have you ever felt like you were in a situation where you could not win? You are in between a rock and a hard place. Everything seems to be against you. Defeat and failure look imminent. The task before you seems impossible. At times you wonder why you bother to even show up. But you will show up and surprise! You are not the only one there. Did you know that this is the place where God loves to hang out? Actually, it is where He moves the strongest. If you are there or headed there, get ready.

Zechariah 4:6-10 ESV Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts. (7) Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain. And he shall bring forward the top stone amid shouts of 'Grace, grace to it!'" (8) Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying, (9) "The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also complete it. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you. (10) For whoever has despised the day of small things shall rejoice, and shall see the plumb line in the hand of Zerubbabel. "These seven are the eyes of the LORD, which range through the whole earth."

The blessing involves being successful at whatever you do. Sometimes success feels unreachable. Follow me through this picture. You commit your life to Christ. He comes into your life. Then, He encourages you that He has a plan for your life and wants to use you powerfully. You are exceedingly thankful to God for this and begin to celebrate the fact that God wants to use you. After this, as if it were all a dream, you are immediately and rudely awakened only to find yourself before a giant mountain. It stands between your current situation and the place of fulfillment of that God given dream.

I am well aware that the mountain before you speaks. "A mountain speaks? Are you kidding me?" No, it does speak and quite loudly. It tells you that you are not going to make it. It boasts of all the devastation that it has caused. You can look around it and find broken promises, frustrated dreams, shattered lives and death. "What makes you think that you will be any different?" it brags. "Many tried but could not overcome my power," the mountain continues. "They succumbed to it. Your defeat is coming next," it boasts. There is a cloud hovering on the mountain. It causes all of those who breathe it in to lose hope. The mountain cries, "Give in to despair. There is no way that you are going to make it."

Thankfully, it is not just the mountain that speaks. God is present with you in front of your mountain, and He has much to say about it. He does not reply, "Oh, you poor baby. That mountain is too big for you isn't it? Ok, come cry on my shoulder!" His response is the opposite of that, "You, oh mountain, are nothing before my servant. He will obliterate you and fulfill all my purposes for him. Your time is up! Go! Bye!"

You may wonder how you could possibly dismantle this mountain. The answer is easy. You can't. In your own strength and might that mountain is immovable. However, the Holy Spirit is with you. As you trust in and receive from Him, He **1. Enlightens** – making the way for you to walk in clear to you, **2. Enables** – giving you the strength to destroy this obstacle and complete your assignment, **3. Executes** –

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working together with you until everything is finished. When you are accessing and utilizing what the Holy Spirit provides, your mountain is nothing. Get it out the way now. Your destiny awaits.

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