



## *The Lord's Mountain Mover's* **NEWSLETTER**

*"If you have the 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."*  
(Matt. 17:20)

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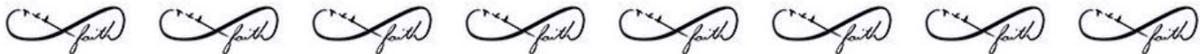
### Happy Anniversary!

This month marks the five-year anniversary of the Lord's Mountain Movers Ministry. It began with only an idea to encourage those who were still incarcerated but God has expanded this ministry according to His plan. We have been blessed to be along for the ride. We will never know, in this life, the fullness as to how God has used this ministry to touch and change lives in this generation and for generations to come. God's kingdom here on earth is always affected for His good purpose by the things we all do in obedience to Him. To Him be the glory and honor forever and ever, amen!

This ministry is made possible by the grace of God and your faithful prayers and gifts. We here at the Lord's Mountain Movers thank you from the bottom of our hearts in allowing us to be the conduit of God's love from you, through us, to so many others. God bless you accordingly.

The Lord's Mountain Movers

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Have you ever heard the saying, "It's not what you know, but who you know?"

Maybe you have even experienced it played out in your life at one time or another. Did someone at work get the promotion you deserved because they knew the boss better, or maybe they were a relative? Were you ever waiting for a table in a restaurant and somebody got seated ahead of you because they knew the owner and you didn't? I'll bet this saying has played out in all our lives to some degree or another.

This saying is never truer than when it comes to our eternal destination. No one will get a place in the Kingdom of God outside of knowing the owner, God Himself. You can know everything there is to know about God, but if you do not know Him, and He doesn't know you, you won't get in, period. You think waiting in line outside a restaurant was a long wait, try spending eternity outside His Kingdom forever because you don't know Him!

Jesus said that He was the door, the way, the truth, the life, and that NO ONE could get to the Father except through Him. Do you know Him? How well do you know Him? What do you know about Him? Does He know you?

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One of the questions I hear most often from Christians, especially those in some level of crisis, is; “What is God doing, or why is He allowing this to happen?” The answer is always found in understanding the nature of God, and that information is found in His Holy Scriptures. If we would understand more of His nature, then we could avoid more pitfalls and experience more blessings. But most of all we would accept and trust God in any and all situations.

The Old Testament is full of great stories that teach us something about the nature of God. Gaining knowledge of His nature is essential to us as Christians. The Apostle Peter puts it like this, “*Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.*” If we are to walk in His grace and peace, if we are to experience godliness and a regenerated life, then it will only come through an intimate knowledge of who God is. Sounds pretty important to me!

Over the next couple months, we will be looking into the nature of God. We will look at Biblical examples of how God reacted to individuals and the things they were doing. By doing this, we should be able to look at what is going on in our life and get the answers to, “What is God doing, or why is He allowing this to happen?” I hope that we will all grow and mature in the knowledge of God through this study.

In His service,  
Pastor Pete



## **THE WORD IN MOTION MESSAGE**

### **Why Lord, Why? (Part 1)**

I would like to take this opportunity to share a story from the Old Testament that will help shed some light on God’s nature through His interaction with His people and especially through a certain Judean king by the name of Jehoshaphat. Our study will be coming out of 2 Chronicles, Chapters Seventeen through Twenty.

Jehoshaphat became king of Judah when he was 35 years old. His father, King Asa, like most of the other kings of Judah and Israel, were ungodly rulers who brought down God’s anger upon themselves and those whom they ruled over. Jehoshaphat began his rule seeking to bring back order and defend his kingdom against their enemies, which sadly enough, even included the northern ten tribes of Israel. God responded to his effort in a positive way, as Scripture points out: “*The LORD was with Jehoshaphat because he followed the example of his father David’s earlier days and did not seek the Baal’s, but sought the God of his father, followed His commandments, and did not act as Israel did. So the LORD established the kingdom in his control, and all Judah brought tribute to Jehoshaphat, and he had great riches and honor. He took great pride in the ways of the LORD and again removed the high places and the Asherim from Judah.*” (2 Chr. 17:3-6)

Jehoshaphat continued in a positive direction by sending out officials, Levites, and priests throughout Judah to teach the people the way of the Lord. Once again, God responded to what Jehoshaphat was doing. “*Now the dread of the LORD was on all the kingdoms of the lands which were around Judah, so that they did not make war against Jehoshaphat*” (2 Chr. 17:10). God’s response was a fulfillment of His previous promise to all of Israel, if they would only obey Him. “*The LORD shall cause your enemies who rise up against you to be defeated before you; they will come out against you one way and will flee before you seven ways.*” (Deut. 28:6-8)

So far, we have seen some very pleasant aspects to God's nature. We have seen Him establish, provide for and protect His obedient people. This is a character theme that runs throughout the Bible depicting the nature of God. In the Book of Ruth, we find God revealing himself in the same way. Ruth, a humble pagan widow, sought to glean in a field where she might find grace. God, responding to her character and earlier declaration of submission to the God of Israel, provided her with protection, provision and a purpose. (Ruth 2)

Now I know that some of you are thinking or saying to yourself, "Well I am not Jehoshaphat or Ruth, nor am I a king, or a Jew", or "This is now, and that was then", or even, "That was the Old Covenant, we are in a New Covenant." The problem with that type of thinking is that **who God is does not depend on who or what we are.** God's nature is eternal, and unchanging.

Because we serve an unchanging God, we can rightfully expect God to respond in the same way if we follow the examples we have looked at here. Are we committed to seeking after the God of the Bible? Are we submitting to His will and plan for our lives? Do we take great pride in the ways of the Lord? Are we sharing with others who God is and what He expects from us? These are all things that Jehoshaphat and Ruth did, and we see the response God had toward them and toward his enemies.

I often wonder what my life would be like today if I had continually lived a life dedicated to the Lord. I am not saying a perfect sinless life, but one that was dominated by obedience. I think about how much was left undone in His kingdom due to my lack of concern or zeal over the years. Who was there to help fulfill God's plan when I fell short of His expectations for me? But then I have to snap out of contemplating the "what if's" and get into the "here and now." I cannot change the past no matter how hard I try, but I can change today, I can make a positive difference in my life and the life of others if God is the focal point.

One of the things that Scripture says about King Jehoshaphat was, "He took great pride in the ways of the LORD." Great pride! In the Hebrew language it literally means, "*His heart was high.*" What a great attitude from the very core of his being. That has to be what it means to have the true heart of a servant, a willing bond-servant. It doesn't sound like his relationship or service to God was a burden, but a pleasure that fed the need of his heart. I know I have had moments like that, and you may have also. What would it be like to live a life like that? Could our hearts actually experience a spiritual high that as we looked back was really a plateau in our life that went on and on?

We will never know if we don't try.

My prayer is that we will seek the heart of God through a heart like that of King Jehoshaphat. What do we have to lose? Nothing! What do we have to gain? EVERYTHING!

May our Heavenly Father stir you up in your faith and inspire you to good works in His name. May He continue to reveal Himself to you as you seek to know Him better. May you learn to trust Him for everything you need for today and tomorrow. May you realize your potential through His provision. God bless you all. Amen.

God bless you all

*Pastor Pete*

## **BE A BARNABAS** (Acts 4:36)

Years ago, I would go with some friends to minister to the homeless. We would cook up food in our homes and then drive a couple hours to down town Los Angeles to feed the people living on the streets. Our hope was to get a moment to share the Gospel with someone and help them get off the streets.

A few months of doing this and the ministry was growing with more and more volunteers. One brother, who was renting a room in my house told me he was going to be moving out soon. He explained that he had to move to where the church was planting a new church. His conviction was he needed to be close to the people he wanted to minister to. He was willing to stay but knew he had been called to go.

There are many different ways we can share the Gospel with others. You can buy a bull horn and stand on the corners calling all to repentance, but I don't know how effective that will be. Christ did it best, He picked 12 and dedicated his life to them. I believe to share the Gospel is to live it within your day to day lives with people. To show love enough to the point that they ask why you are so good to them. Then you have earned a right to point them to the One who taught you to be that way. Love is patient, and if we are patiently bringing people into the Kingdom for God, doing it the way He showed us, then He will tell us "Well done my good and faithful servant!"

Too many people have been beaten over the head with the Bible. Nobody has time for anything anymore, but if we have the right mindset, then we too can take advantage of all the situations God has placed us in to help redeem His people from the kingdom of darkness. Let's share His word by being doers of it and let us do it for His glory! Amen.

*Brother Daniel Rodney*

### **How would you like to bless and encourage someone?**

We would love to receive your testimony of how God has impacted your life in the past or present. God does things in our lives not only to bless us, but to be an inspiration to others who may be facing some of the same circumstances you have. Please keep your testimony to one page or less. We look forward to seeing and sharing God working in your life. If you send something you need to have back, we will be glad to return it to you, just let us know.



## *Our Prayer Requests for God's Children*

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters in Christ who receive our newsletter through the mail. We are currently posting and maintaining all prayers requested on the Internet so your brothers and sisters all over the world can continue to pray for your petitions and praise God for the ones He has already answered.

What a privilege we have, to go before the throne of God with our requests and the requests of others. Let us keep praying and seeking His will for our lives and the lives of others. If you have a prayer request you would like added to next month's newsletter and/or posted on the ministry website, please fill out the form below and mail it to us. Previous prayer requests are still there on the website for people to read. We are wondering if your prayer has been answered yet? Send us your praise reports! We want to know and share it with everyone else who reads the newsletter, so keep us updated. We look forward to hearing from you and standing in the gap as a prayer warrior.

**Please note:** We ask that you keep your prayer requests short and to the point using the prayer request form. We cannot print many pages of hand written requests, bible tracks, lengthy stories and Bible scripture.

### **October - November 2018 Prayer List**

To my dearest brothers and sisters in Christ. I have a very special prayer request for all of you. Mary Sauer who has been leading the ACTS Foundation has a prayer request for herself that I want to share with you. Mary has been given a heart towards those who are in prison. She and the ACTS Foundation have sent thousands of beautiful bibles to inmates in California. I received one of these bibles over 13 years ago and that gift has blessed so many others since then. Please join me in lifting her up before the healing and loving hands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank and God bless you all.

Mary's Prayer request - Dear Brothers in Jesus: A very short note to let you know that into every life a little rain must fall and sometimes "a bump in the road". The "bump in the road" is actually a bump on the back of my head as on Friday evening 10/19, I was standing at my kitchen counter and suddenly heard a loud noise in my head and a funny feeling in my chest (not my heart though) and I fainted. When I woke up, I realized that I was on the floor having a little difficulty breathing and cried out "please God help me". As I sat up, I also realized that I was in trouble as the blood was running down the side of my face and when I looked back on the floor there was a puddle of blood. I managed to get up and call 911 and the medics were there within 10 minutes. I spent a couple of hours in E.R. and then they kept me at the hospital Friday night, Saturday and released me on Sunday afternoon. Praise the Lord as I had no confusion at all and answered all their many questions correctly, and the only lingering effects are headaches and pressure in my head that comes and goes. I am having an MRI tomorrow evening (11/2) and after that I must wear a monitor for two weeks. My cardiologist doesn't

think it was my heart thus the MRI plus seeing a neurologist. The greatest blow to my pride is that I am using a walker at home just in case it happens again - remember the saying that "pride goes before a fall" so I must swallow my pride and use the walker: also, I am not supposed to drive until they know why I fainted. I am reminded of the song "I don't know about the future, but I know who holds the future". Remember the saying that Bill and I used all the time "For this I have Jesus".

The main reason for this letter is to ask for your prayers that God will heal my head quickly because it is my understanding that trauma to the head can take a long time to heal and if I don't write as often as I want to, you will understand why. Maybe this is a wakeup call from God that I need to prioritize my time with more in-depth Bible reading and prayer. I don't always have to write a lengthy letter but just a card to let each one of you how much I love you and call it a privilege to have you in my life as brothers. Your letters keep me on my toes and remind me how much God loves each of us. What a privilege to share the Love of God with each other in envelopes. God's love in an envelope!

In His love and mine as always – Mary

Michael S. ....I ask for prayer of my Faith, my Marriage. Prayer over my walk with Christ, I have any obstacles or struggles released. To lean not on my own understanding but on God's understanding. For God to accept my marriage as I surrender it to Him. To reveal any darkness in it. I would like prayer for this ministry, may God continue using you and blessing you, In Jesus Christs name, AMEN! Love to all my brothers and sisters.

Peter C.....Praise report that he has received an all clear, no stomach cancer.

Sue C.....Was in a car accident. We pray for her to mend completely and quickly.

Anthony M. ....Pray for his recovery for significant heart issues, surgeries and procedures. Also pray for his family and wife who are also stressing over his condition.

Dale C .....Praying he resists the negative spirits attacking him and gets back on his medications and assuming his responsibilities again.

Dale C. ....Praying that he keeps uplifted in his faith in Jesus Christ as his spirit is attacked with Family and employment issues.

Daniel R .....Praying that he realizes his blessings as he assumes more responsibility at work and with his parents as they move. Keeping a humble heart and praising Jesus in all our challenges.

Rosalind K. ....Pray that the Lord will heal my spleen.

Joanne R.....We pray for a successful back surgery and speedy recovery.

- Donald A.....Pray for Chaplain Helerbent for “G” Yard to get off of lockdown and have a revival and Chapel services again.
- Juan S .....Prayer for myself, my Wife Luz R. cleaning, protection, healing, reconciliation and ask to destroy all assignments of darkness against us. I pray that my wife to be liberated from all witch craft and I pray she comes back renewed / revived in the power of God, Son and Holy Spirit.
- Raymond W ...I request prayer for everyone on this prayer list. I pray that God will let me one day go home. I thank God for my life, even while in custody. In His Name
- Michael S .....I request prayer that God would reveal to me any hinderance in my walk and that He removes anything that He did not create in me. That I have a heart of humility and contrition. Prayers for my wife “Angela” that God anoint her from head to toe with the blood of Jesus. For our children and their faith. For the brothers and sisters of the world. That God protects them. That our faith be combined and together rebuke Satan. Love to my siblings in Christ in Jesus, Amen!
- Mar C .....Prayer for healing after a fall, broken ribs and collapsed lung. Pray for a fast recovery.
- Michael S .....I request prayer for my walk and to continue to grow in faith. Also, that my prison sentence be shortened, For my family and their safety. For my wife “Angela” stays in our marriage. That all non-believers become unmuted and unblinded by Satan so that they can become believers, that any strongholds that Satan has on me that God binds them and that He becomes my stronghold. Also, for your ministry that God allows it to prosper and he blesses every brother and sister involved. In Jesus name, Amen.
- Dave G .....Prayer for continued safety. Continue prayer for deliverance through the appeal and to be reunified with my children. They are all grown now. Please pray for their salvation.
- Richard D.....Prayer as he goes through some medical issues, three family members have taken their own life. Pray for the surviving family’s healing. Please keep him in pray as he transitions to a facility. Also, for Richard to be strong, kind and humble as he moves to a new living environment. Pray that Robert G. to find peace inside these concrete walls and electric fence, and for his Mom- Kids and Family.
- Yolanda.....“The Cable Lady” asks for prayer for her people and her situation. God knows what she needs as we reach out for her to be uplifted in the Lord.
- Robert G.....Prayer for the Griller, Solorio, Latner, Brown & Griffin Families that God Strengthen and comfort all of these families and draw those who don’t know Him close unto Him. Asking for prayer for Richard D’s., daughter’s safety and that they be able to write him more. Also pray for Linda L. that God comforts her as she battles cancer and she stays surrounded by family & Christian family during this trying time.

Aimee P.....Prayer for relief from Multiple Sclerosis and her comfort and for her to draw nearer to Christ throughout this trial.

Thomas G.....Prayer for God to restore him to his family and keep him healthy. Pray for his children and grandchildren's safety and salvation.

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The Lord's Mountain Movers - Prayer request

Person requesting prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Pray for: \_\_\_\_\_

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