



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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For the past three months, we discussed truth. We looked at where to find it and that we should be drawn to it, accept it and then yield to it. These steps are necessary to accomplish what we should do next. First and foremost, we need to imbed truth into our personal lives and begin to let God's truth guide and transform us internally and externally. We need to become a living example that God's truth is as valid today as it was thousands of years ago. Only then will we be examples for others to follow. I believe that others will only desire God's truth as much as we do. Enthusiasm begets enthusiasm.

SOW WHAT'S HAPPENING

Better yet, what's happening was sown. Have you ever planted an apple seed then tended and watered it until it grew and then realized you had an orange tree? Or, did you plant poppies and end up with mums? The answer is no. Why? Because what you plant is what you get! It is an absolute law. An apple seed will never produce an orange tree and a poppy seed will never produce a mum. Jesus, in teaching on the difference between false and true teachers, reiterated this multi-applicable law by asking a rhetorical question, "Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they?" (Matt. 7:16)

Many (and I mean many) years ago when my family and I were attending a church pastored by Chuck Swindoll he gave a sermon on this very subject. During the teaching he said the following, which I still remember to this day.

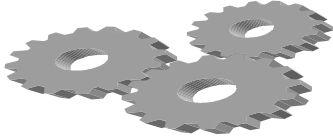
Sow a thought - reap an act.
Sow an act - reap a habit.
Sow a habit - reap a character.
Sow a character - reap a destiny.

The Apostle Paul put it this way, "*Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.*" (Galatians 6:7-8) Just as it is true in the physical world, so it is in the spiritual world, whatever we sow, that we will also reap.

As Paul noted above, the law of sowing and reaping begins in the incorporeal (spiritual, intangible) not in the act itself. Jesus put it this way, if you have lusted in your heart you have committed adultery, if you have hated in your heart you have committed murder. You have probably heard the old saying when something has been done, and it doesn't turn out right or is half-done, someone will say, "It was the thought that counts." Well that is never truer than in the process of sowing and reaping. It is the thought that started the whole thing in the first place, that was the first seed sown.

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THE WORD IN MOTION message

Sowing and reaping

The law of sowing and reaping is never more apparent than in the following Biblical account of Abraham's grandson Jacob. It is a story most of us have heard many times and we would do well to keep this at the forefront of our minds as a filter for our thoughts.

From the very start Jacob and his twin brother Esau were at odds with each other. Isaac's wife, Rebekah, is pregnant with these two boys and seeks the Lord for answers as to why they are struggling within her. The Lord answers her this way, "*The LORD said to her, 'Two nations are in your womb; And two peoples will be separated from your body; And one people shall be stronger than the other; And the older shall serve the younger.'*" (Gen 25:23) As she was delivering the twins Esau was coming out first, but Jacob held on to his brother's foot. Consequently, he was called Jacob which means supplanter. Supplanter is defined as; 1) to supersede, 2) to eradicate and supply a substitute for, or 3) to take the place of and serve as a substitute for. Jacob was named for the character he displayed, even from his birth.

Jacob begins to sow from his character. The next thing we hear concerning Jacob is when he uses his brother's hunger to gain his birthright. Esau has been out hunting and is famished and needs something to eat. He comes in and asks his brother for some of the stew he was making. Jacob tells his brother the following, "*But Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'Behold, I am about to die; so, of what use then is the birthright to me?' And Jacob said, 'First swear to me'; so, he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.'*" (Gen. 25:31-33)

Jacob continues to sow from his character. Later, as Isaac is growing old and is about to die, Jacob needs to make sure he gets the birthright before his father gives it to Esau. Jacob and his mother conspire to deceive Isaac as his sight is all but gone and cannot recognize one person from another. Rebekah puts Esau's clothes on Jacob and covers his arms and neck with the skins of a young goat, so he will smell and feel like Esau. They even go as far as making Isaac his favorite stew. The following is the account of what followed.

"Then he came to his father and said, 'My father' And he said, 'Here I am. Who are you, my son?' Jacob said to his father, 'I am Esau your firstborn; I have done as you told me. Get up, please, sit and eat of my game, that you may bless me.' Isaac said to his son, 'How is it that you have it so quickly, my son?' And he said, 'Because the LORD your God caused it to happen to me' Then Isaac said to Jacob, 'Please come close, that I may feel you, my son, whether you are really my son Esau or not.' So, Jacob came close to Isaac his father, and he felt him and said, 'The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau.' He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so, he blessed him. And he said, 'Are you really my son Esau?' And he said, 'I am.' So, he said, 'Bring it to me, and I will eat of my son's game, that I may bless you.' And he brought it to him, and he ate; he also brought him wine and he drank. Then his father Isaac said to him, 'Please come close and kiss me, my son.' So, he came close and kissed him; and when he smelled the smell of his garments, he blessed him..." (Gen. 27:18-27)

Do you see the level and detail of this deception? Jacob and his mother cover every possible avenue. Jacob even brings the Lord into his deception. A lot of time, effort, and planning went into deceiving Isaac into giving his younger son the birthright of the older. Would Jacob reap what he had sown?

After being blessed by his father, Jacob is sent away to Paddan-aram to find a wife. While on his journey there he runs into a girl named Rachel who is watering her father's sheep at a well. He is enraptured with her beauty and

ends up returning with her to her father's house. Jacob finds out that Laban, Rachel's father, is a relative of his. After some formalities, Jacob strikes a deal with Laban to marry his daughter Rachel. He will work seven years and then receive her as his bride.

Seven years pass, and the day finally comes. A wedding celebration takes place and Jacob goes to his tent where Rachel is supposed to be waiting. All the toil and years of service will be rewarded tonight, Rachel would be his prize! Or would she? Jacob consummates the marriage with the woman in his tent, but in the morning, finds out that he is now married to Leah, Rachel's older sister. Jacob is furious and asks Laban the following, "*So it came about in the morning that, behold, it was Leah! And he said to Laban, 'What is this you have done to me? Was it not for Rachel that I served with you? Why then have you deceived me?'*" The chicken has come home to roost. Better yet, Jacob has reaped what he had sown, and he is not happy about it.

The seeds we plant will someday bring forth the fruit they were designed to produce. Jacob had done his sowing and now, years later, he was reaping the consequences. God's law of sowing and reaping had rendered its judgment on Jacob's character and the things he had done to others. He was getting exactly what he deserved, and it didn't feel good.

God is patient with us, even in teaching us valuable lessons about how we treat others. Our consequences may not always come from the victims of our deception, or whatever other negative things we sow into other's lives, but trust and believe this; they will come back to us. The shoe will be on the other foot and although it will fit perfectly, it will not be comfortable wearing it.

Next time something happens to you ask yourself, have I done similar things to others in the past? Or am I doing them now? Am I reaping what I have previously sown? God deliberately and lovingly teaches us these lessons. They are not given to us to destroy us, but to build us and others up. When we personally get to experience and feel some of the things we have done to others it can be a real character changer and that is what God is doing, changing our character. He is taking out of us what is wrong and putting into us what is right, holy, and acceptable to Him and His character. He is forming in us that Divine Nature.

We are known by what we do, what we do is predicated on who we are. Seems like a conundrum, doesn't it? How does this destructive cycle get broken? By God and the ongoing process of sanctification within us. The Apostle Paul, after explaining the battle within him says, "*Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!...*" We are new creatures through our union with Christ. (II Cor. 5:17) We gain new character by the trials and tribulations we go through, by the lessons God teaches us. (Heb. 12:7-11)

So, the next time you find the shoe is on the other foot and it hurts, don't be so quick to take it off and relieve the pain and forego the gain. Ask yourself why it hurts so badly? Better yet, ask God why it hurts so badly? Let your pain create a compassion for others and a changed character within yourself. The pain will eventually fade away, but the gain of a Christ-like character will go on for eternity.

Remember this too. God's law of sowing and reaping works both ways. When we sow goodness, righteousness, love, peace, joy, etcetera into the lives of others it will come back to us. Let's all do something nice today and all our tomorrows, amen!

In His Service
Pastor Pete

How would you like to bless and encourage some?

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.

October - November 2017 Prayer List

Leonard SGoing for Governors Pardon on Dec 10, 2017 for innocents in all. Praying for favor on my Lawyer and myself in Jesus Christ of Nazareth name. Amen, Luke 1:37

Jason MPrayer for him and his family as he endures the challenges of accusations for charges he is states he is innocent of.

Hazel CPrayers for health to improve as she is suffering from diabetes. Prayer for Kryshawn and son to be safe and well in their return to Houston, Texas.

Tony MPrayer as doctors change his medications to find which meds were poisoning his system and causing kidney damage. **Praise Report: They found the doctors over prescribed a**

deadly medication which he is not longer taking. He is doing much better. Kidney damage is slowly resolving itself.

Bobby CPrayers for the courts to drop enhancement in his case so he can be released. Prayer to keep himself and family safe and pull the family together and get brother home from Hawaii.

Brett WHe found his son dead this week, please pray for him and his family.

Linda G.She is suffering several critical health issues and we request prayer for her healing.

Richard DThree 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.

John D.Prayer for Uncle Denny to take care of himself, eat right and get his diabetes under control.

Connie CShe has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Pray for her trusting in the Lord for a healing and restore her back into the life of Larry's K. **PRAISE REPORT: Connie is no longer suffering with cancer. The Lord called her home on July 27th. I knew Connie since 8th grade and we spent the last 6 months together. What a love story. I will be forever grateful and blessed. Thank you, Heavenly Father.**

Donald A.Last month we received a letter from Donald with a lot of prayer requests. Evidently God has touched his heart to see the needs of others in a special way. These requests included prayers for health issues, family issues, marriage issues, and most importantly their relationship with God. He also has requested for many of the Christians who are behind the prison walls and the different protestant chapels, their leadership and their congregations. Pray for those who are captive in false religions and/or following false Christ's. In a time like our country, and the world, is currently facing we need prayer more than ever. We cannot pray away God's prophetic plan but we can pray for His people and share the gospel with the lost. *Thank you, Donald, for a sensitive heart.* Please pray for these requests knowing that God knows the specifics of each situation and what is necessary.

Patty BPrayer that a heart procedure she will have done on Sept. the 14th will resolve long time issues and that she will no longer suffer from past afflictions. **PRAISE REPORT: She is back home and doing great!**

Gen PrayerThat God would bring together Christian Marriages in unity.

Jason MPrayer for healing of his family and removal of the strife going on between them. Also pray for a positive resolution to serious legal challenges.

Rachel C.....She has undergone several surgeries on her eye, with the doctor trying to restore her vision. Please pray for her healing and/or a better doctor who will make it right.

Scott F.Pray for doctors to come up with a resolution to alleviate disabling pain he is experiencing.

Theresa CAsking for healing prayer. She was admitted to the Hospital with what they think was a stroke, but have not been able to confirm the cause.

Linda GPrayer for her and her son Robert, and she struggles with life challenging health issues. May the Lord open His arms to bring her to Him gently.

Dave GContinued prayer for deliverance through the appeal and to be reunified with my children. They are all grown now. Please pray for their salvation.

T.J. W.....Prayer for him and his wife Julie as they deal with challenges on their home infested with Bats and water damage.

Tony M.....Pray for him that his health will improve as he deals with heart and pacemaker issues.

LeoPrayer for Baby Leo born in June, he underwent surgery. We pray for his healing and full recovery.

Roger CPrayer for him in his peace and strength as he moves forward with the challenges of his incarceration. Pray for him to be strong in the Lord.

Kenny J.Pray for my Aunt Eulene she has cancer in her shoulder bone and lupus.

Kenny J.**PRAISE REPORT: My son Jeffrey is doing great, clean and sober for 14 months and living with me.**

David. G.....Pray for children: Emily, Natalie, James, Brother Don and that they receive Salvation/Reconciliation and for the Ministry at Mule Creek.

Tom MPray that prop. 57 helps get me out so I can take George L. fishing.

George LGeorge has been ill in the hospital; he is 89 years old. Pray that he survives and can go home. And that Tom M. may be able to take him fishing one last time. **PRAISE REPORT: He is recovering and doing better.**

Rex S.....Pray for him and his family for strength and peace as he recovers from open heart surgery. He is doing better.

Gary B.....Needs prayer for his business and his health.

Chris CPrayer for a wonderful marriage.

Barbara MWas diagnosed with Complex Regional Pain Syndrome. Prayer that she receives a long-term resolution to her health challenge, and that her and her husband's medical and financial needs might be met.

Winifred W. ...Pray for God's favor in an upcoming board review and that he remains healthy and that he will be released soon and that the attacks on our chapel & pastor get resolved and services are restored.

Richard DPray that the Lord will use him to help others in the Celebrate Recovery program.

Gabriel.....Prayer for chapel services to run smoother and for the KAIROS program to continue.

Robert M.Asks for prayer and healing for Rudy, Betsy & Maria (Valley fever and Carpel tunnel)

James.....Prayer for the program on the yard to change for the better for everyone.

MatlockRequests for prayer for a closer relationship with his son.

Joe SAsks for prayer for his family to come to know the Lord Jesus Christ.

Geno.....For help with his soon-to-be-wife's family. To have them come visit him.

Pastor JackWe pray for his health to improve and to get instruments on the yard.

Pete C.....Keep him in prayer that he obtains better permanent housing.

Daniel R.Pray that he stays patient with the business situation he is in right now, waiting for God to reveal His plan for his life.

Lynne M.....Pray that she receives the love and support she needs to stay healthy and productive within the kingdom as she learns to adjust to life without Tom M, whom went home to be with the Lord June 20th. Tom was a brother many of us spent time with while he was incarcerated and grew to love him and the Lord from knowing him.

This Ministry..Please pray for this ministry that we may be girded up with faith and strength to keep this ministry going to spread the Lord's word.

The Lord's Mountain Movers - Prayer request

Person requesting prayer _____

Pray for: _____

Nature of request: _____

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