

What He does to Mountains (II)

“He puts his hand on the flint; He overturns the mountains at the roots.” (Job 28:9, New King James Version).

This is the key Bible verse for our **“Come and See”** devotional today.

The first message in this series of devotionals indicated that there is no mountain higher than the Most High. Moreover, no barrier or obstacle is strong enough to withstand the majestic power of the Almighty God; these are demolished, shifted, uprooted or levelled to the ground in His presence.

The Israelites were on their way to the Promised Land and were being led by a new leader, Joshua, when they were confronted by the great wall of Jericho. God instructed Joshua to march around the city for seven days with his armies together with the priests bearing the Ark of the Covenant. That Ark represented God’s presence or dwelling place as the Bible indicates: *“Arise, LORD, and come to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.”* (Psalms 132:8, New International Version). On the seventh day, the wall collapsed and no longer restricted the advancement of the Israelites, as the Bible relates: *“When the trumpets sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city”* (Joshua 6:20, New International Version). This shows that any obstacle, such as a mountain or wall, has to give way in the presence of God!

Jesus Christ confirmed this when He spoke of anything that represents a mountain in our lives. He said: *“For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.”* (Mark 11:23, New King James Version). It is pointless for us to cry at a mountain that is blocking our way. We should rather engage the force of heaven to arrange for their repositioning. The wall of Jericho would not have responded to weapons available to Joshua and his men: The same strategy that shifted Mount Sinai, described in the key Bible verse, remains effective even now.

We cannot climb every physical, mental or spiritual mountain to reach our place of glory and honour because we often lack the strength. Many such mountains require uprooting and shifting which we can arrange when we bring them to the presence of the Most High. Whatever represents obstacles to our progress must give way, and this applies to infirmity, addiction and persistent failure. Zechariah 4 verse 7a states *“Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain”*

Let us pray: “Father, by your great might and power, remove every obstacle hindering my progress in life,” in Jesus’ Mighty Name, Amen.

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