Weekly Morning Meditations Faith that Moves Mountains

Monday

CONFRONTING THE MOUNTAIN - THE EXAMINATION OF FAITH

And Jesus said unto them, **Because of your unbelief**: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and **nothing shall be impossible unto you**. Matthew 17:20 [KJV]

THE MOUNTAIN IS NOT WHAT WE <u>SEE</u>
BUT WHAT WE INTERPRET IT TO BE (HEB 11:3)

WHAT IS A 'MOUNTAIN'?

- something determined to be
 - VERY LARGE
 - IMMOVABLE
 - IN THE WAY

HOW DO I CONFRONT THE 'MOUNTAIN'?

- 1. IDENTIFICATION (to recognize (or show) as being the very thing known, described, or claimed)
- 2. INTERPRETATION (explain the meaning of; translate)
- 3. INDICATION (to direct attention to; call or point out)

Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. Matthew 9:29 [KJV]

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. Mark 9:23 [KJV]

Now **faith is the substance of things hoped for**, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1 [KJV]

Wednesday

CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN - THE ELEVATION OF FAITH

Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. Matthew 15:27-28 [KJV]

THE <u>ELEVATION</u> OF YOUR FAITH REQUIRES THE HUMILIATION OF YOUR FAITH

SHAME - a painful feeling of having <u>lost the respect of others</u> because of the improper behavior, incompetence, etc; dishonor; disgrace **<or your faith >**

ELEVATION TO AREQUIRED THE SHAME OF APENIEL (jacob)JABBOKPALACE (joseph)PRISONSINAI (moses)WILDERNESSCARMEL (elijah)CHERIBKINGSHIP (david)SHEPHERDSTRAIGHT STREET (paul)DAMASCUS ROADCROWN (jesus)CROSS

The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility. Proverbs 15:33 [KJV]

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. James 4:10 [KJV]

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him **endured the cross, despising the shame**, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:2 [KJV]

Friday

CONQUERING THE MOUNTAIN - THE EMANCIPATION OF FAITH

[37] And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment....[46] My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little. [50] And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace. Luke 7:37-38,46-47, 50 [KJV]

WHEN YOU ARE <u>FORGIVEN</u>, YOU ARE ABLE TO <u>FORGIVE</u>... WHEN YOU <u>FORGIVE</u>, YOU ARE ABLE TO <u>LOVE</u>... WHEN YOU <u>LOVE</u>, YOU ARE ABLE TO <u>BELIEVE</u>

SCRIPTURE REVEALS THAT PEOPLE OF <u>GREAT FAITH</u>, WHO SHOWED <u>GREAT LOVE</u>, WERE RAISED IN GREAT DYSFUNCTION (i.e. ABRAHAM, JOSEPH, RAHAB, JEPHTHAH, RUTH, DAVID)

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 [KJV]

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. 1 Cor. 13:2 [KJV]

<*Love>* Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. 1 Cor. 13:7 [KJV]

We love him, because he first loved us. 1 John 4:19 [KJV]