# Are You Possessing Your Mountain?

# A Caleb's Promise Ministry Teaching

#### <u>Joshua 14:12</u>

Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

In scripture, a "mountain" can represent a problem or challenge, a sphere of influence or kingdom, or a promise of God to you. In this verse, "mountain" is a both a promise of God to Caleb and a sphere of influence such as government, education, business, media, arts and entertainment, etc. God calls us as Believers to go into the mountains. We're cultivating a new kingdom. We're to go into the mountains with the Law of Faith and the other spiritual laws and get predictable results – God always wants us to win! If you operate with God's laws, you'll get God's results.

#### Who are we as Believers?

#### **Revelation 1:5-6**

 $\overline{}^{5}$  And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

<sup>6</sup> And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

God put us in right standing with Him so we can reign as Kings and Priests in life. **This is not something that is going to happen; it has already been done.** God has a plan for each of us. He preprogrammed a marvelous plan for our lives. His plan includes us living on earth like we were in Heaven. God has no plan for you to be poor, sick, fearful, or in any way to be unworthy of your calling.

If we, as Believers, follow God's vision for us, our assignment, we will be dispatched into evil cultures, into darkness, and we can transform these cultures standing on the spiritual laws of the Kingdom of God, which are in His Word. We will bring light into the darkness, and those in the darkness will be attracted to our light.

### What stops us from possessing our mountain (our promises)? GIANTS.

#### Numbers 13:33

 $^{32}$  And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature.

<sup>33</sup> And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

How we see the mountain and how we see ourselves has everything to do with whether we can possess the mountain or not.

Notice in Numbers 13:33 how the LEADERS of the tribes of the Children of Israel viewed the giants and viewed themselves – as grasshoppers. They did not see themselves as God saw them – His children, blessed, mighty, victorious, heirs, prosperous.

# Who are the giants?

### Genesis 6:4

There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.

# What was the purpose of these "sons of God" or fallen angels procreating with mankind?

Satan instigated this to pollute the bloodlines of man so the "ENMITY" God spoke of in Genesis 3:15 could not come to pass. There would be no pure bloodlines of mankind only. The bloodlines would be polluted with demonic DNA.

# There are seven evil spirits in this world used by Satan to come against mankind:

Hittite – Sons of terror - Spirit of fear, terror, depression, deceit, phobia, torments
Girgashite – Clay dwellers - Spirit of earthliness, unbelief in what cannot be seen, carnal
Amorite – Mountain people; renowned - Spirit of obsession with earthly fame and glory, domineering –
GIANTS CAME FROM THIS EVIL SPIRIT.
Canaanites – Low-lands people - Spirit of addictions, perversions, exaggerated people pleasing
Perizzites – Belonging to a village - Spirit of limited vision, laziness, low self-esteem
Hivites – Villagers - Spirit of vision limited to enjoying an earthly inheritance, hedonism

Jebusites – Threshers - Spirit of suppression of spiritual authority in fellow Believers, legalism

# What did God say to the Children of Israel, which is a picture of the Church today, about the giants?

### **Deuteronomy 7:1**

When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

#### **Deuteronomy 9:1-3**

1 Hear, O Israel: Thou art to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven,

2 A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can stand before the children of Anak!

<sup>3</sup> Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God is He which goeth over before thee; as a consuming fire **He shall destroy them**, and **He shall bring them down before thy face**: so shalt thou drive them out, and **destroy them quickly**, as the LORD hath said unto thee.

#### Deuteronomy 6:10-12

<sup>10</sup> And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which He sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not,

<sup>11</sup> And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full;

<sup>12</sup> Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

#### <u>Joshua 3:10</u>

And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you, and **that He will without fail drive out from before you** the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

#### How do we possess our mountain?

#### **Deuteronomy 2:24**

Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess *it*, and contend with him in battle.

#### God tells us WE HAVE TO CONTEND WITH THE SPIRITS.

#### Ephesians 6:12

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

#### God tells us WE HAVE TO WRESTLE.

#### James 4:7

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

#### God tells us WE HAVE TO RESIST.

# Where do we contend, wrestle, resist Satan and his demonic forces?

#### Proverbs 23:7

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

A man or woman is as they think in their hearts. From where does input to the heart originate? From the mind. The mind is the battlefield where you contend, wrestle, and resist Satan and his evil forces. What you allow your mind to believe is what your heart will believe. My question to you, as a Believer, is what are you allowing into your mind, then your heart, daily? Is it the Word of God or is it the wisdom of this world? If the wisdom of this world, you will operate in a carnal state of mind and heart – wrong and powerless.

There must be the first step of faith and action on our part; then, God can take this and fight our battles for us as we stand on His Word and Promises in faith. Great example is Peter when he stepped out of the boat. Peter had to take the first step of faith. His focus was on Christ. As soon as Peter became aware and afraid of the wisdom

and cares of this world, the wind and the waves, and took his focus off Jesus Christ, the Word of God, he sank. But he cried out or confessed his weakness and Christ took hold of him.

# What are we not to do?

#### **Deuteronomy 7:17-18**

<sup>17</sup> If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations are more than I; how can I dispossess them?
 <sup>18</sup> Thou shalt not be afraid of them: but shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt;

#### Psalm 78:41

Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

Notice in both verses God is telling us, as Believers, not to limit Him with our stinking thinking and carnal confession. God can only do for us what we confess or decree in faith and act upon.

# What was the Children's response?

#### <u>Numbers 14:1 – 4</u>

<sup>1</sup> And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

<sup>2</sup> And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! <sup>3</sup> And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

<sup>4</sup> And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.

# What was God's response to the Children's response?

### Numbers 14:28-29

<sup>28</sup> Say unto them, As truly as I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in Mine ears, so will I do to you:
 <sup>29</sup> Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against Me, The Children had what they confessed.

# What was Caleb and Joshua's response?

#### Numbers 13:30

And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

#### Numbers 14:7-9

<sup>7</sup> And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land.

<sup>8</sup> If the LORD delight in us, then He will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

<sup>9</sup> Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.

# God's response to Caleb.

#### Numbers 14:24

But my servant Caleb, because he **had another spirit with him**, and **hath followed Me fully**, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.

Caleb had the Spirit of God with him. God was referring to the fact Caleb didn't have the spirit of fear the Children of Israel had, but instead, he had the Spirit of God, the Holy Spirit with him. Caleb trusted fully in God's Word to him.

# How do we contend?

#### **Romans 10:17**

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

#### <u>Joshua 1:8</u>

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

#### II Timothy 2:15

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing** the word of truth.

"rightly dividing" in the Greek is "accurately handling." Further detail is to "teach the Truth accurately and correctly."

### **II Timothy 3:16-17**

<sup>16</sup> All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

<sup>17</sup> That the man of God may be perfect, **thoroughly furnished** unto all good works.

"thoroughly furnished" in the Greek is "having been fully equipped." Further detail is "to furnish perfectly so the Believer may live in full communion with God."

# What are the "good works?"

#### John 10:32

Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from My Father; for which of those works do ye stone Me?

John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father.