



Faith to Move Mountains

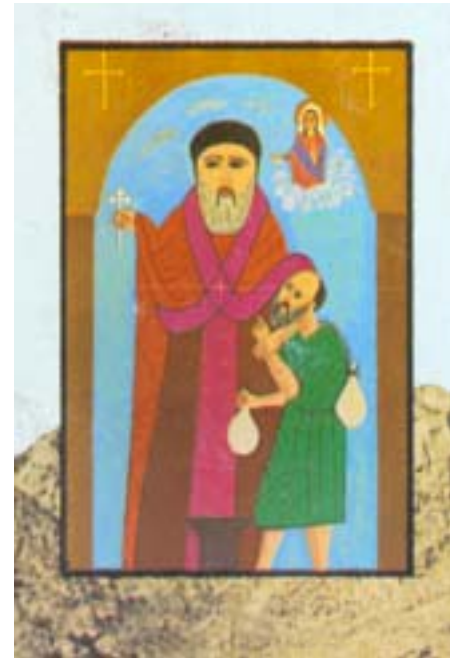
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“*tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you”* (Matthew 17:20). In the wake of life’s many hardships, it necessitates faith to move mountains. Through humble persistence and devoted prayer, all things become possible – and accessible – to those who genuinely believe. Recall the familiar adage: Seeing is not believing; believing is seeing. Faith is the foundation that allows us, though sinful and flawed, to partake of the Lord Jesus Christ’s bountiful blessings.

Quite often, our mortal existences become increasingly overwhelming, and the simplest course of action is to surrender to the cruelties of the world. Come what may, however, it is essential that we never lose sight of our faith. When everyone claims that a certain undertaking cannot be accomplished, it requires faith to believe against all odds and against all opposition that “with God, all things are possible” (Matthew 19:26), despite how humanly impossible the task. Amidst each trial and tribulation, seek to build on your faith, cling to it, and witness it flourish from a mere seed to a blossoming bud.

“Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God” (Philippians 4:6). There is absolutely nothing in this world too unbearable that one cannot overcome with the help and guidance of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Call on the Lord at all times, whether in fear, distress, or joy. Pray unceasingly within your heart, with all your mind and soul, and TRUST that God’s Will shall be done. He has an ultimate plan for each of His children, and He intends to use both our strengths and our alleged weaknesses to His gracious glory.

The Lord Jesus Christ is the ultimate Redeemer, and only His love, received through sincere faith, can allow us to become victors of the world and its bleakness. “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight” (Proverbs 3:5-6).



Abba Abraam and Simon the Tanner



To Encourage You

Beloved friend, my heart is pained
To think of what you are facing;
I’m sure you wonder why this is
What plan God is tracing.

You wonder what the future holds,
And if your heart can bear;
The burdens and the suffering
That seems your constant share.

You wonder what He’d have you learn;
And when you need correction;
Your way seems you cannot see
Which is the right direction

Your days are long, your nights are dreary
Your mind is worn from thinking;
Sometimes it seems as if your faith
Were vanishing and sinking.