



# Move That Mountain

**“Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done” (Matthew 21:21).**

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**“Have faith in God” (Mark 11:22).**

“And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: 13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. 14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it. 19 And when even was come, he went out of the city. 20 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. 21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away. 22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. 24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them (Mark 11:12-19,20-24).

“And he left them, and went out of the city into Bethany; and he lodged there 18 Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he hungered. 19 And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away. 20 And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away! 21 Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. 22 And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive” (Matthew 21:17-22).

On His way to Jerusalem Jesus cursed a barren fig tree at Bethany. The following morning the fig tree had fully dried up. The disciple drew His attention to it and he used it to teach them **vital lessons on faith and the power of the spoken word.**

- 1) First, we learn from the fig tree that **barrenness attracts divine curse.** Every thing God created was to fulfil some purpose, and failure to fulfil the purpose displeases God and brings judgment. Blossoming without fruitfulness, similar to external beauty without spiritual fruits displeases God.
- 2) Jesus simply spoke the word and went his way. **There is power in the spoken word when it emanates from faith.** Immediately the word came out from Jesus’s mouth, the fig tree died but the effect of the death was noticed when they passed the same place again the following day. And you too can speak death to any cause of barrenness in your life, and it will be so.
- 3) The disciples “**marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away!**” (Matthew 21:20). They were surprised at the speed at which the fig tree withered, but Jesus was not because He knew that **no situation or problem can resist the spoken word of God.** Building on this principle, He taught the disciples that they can move any mountain of opposition, hindrance or problem by simply speaking to it by faith, believing and with no doubt. What are you waiting for?
- 4) Jesus ended the message by assuring the disciples of answers when they pray in faith **“Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them”** (Mark 11:12-19,20-24).
- 5) It’s time to put this into practice, now.