

“Lord, Teach Us to Pray”

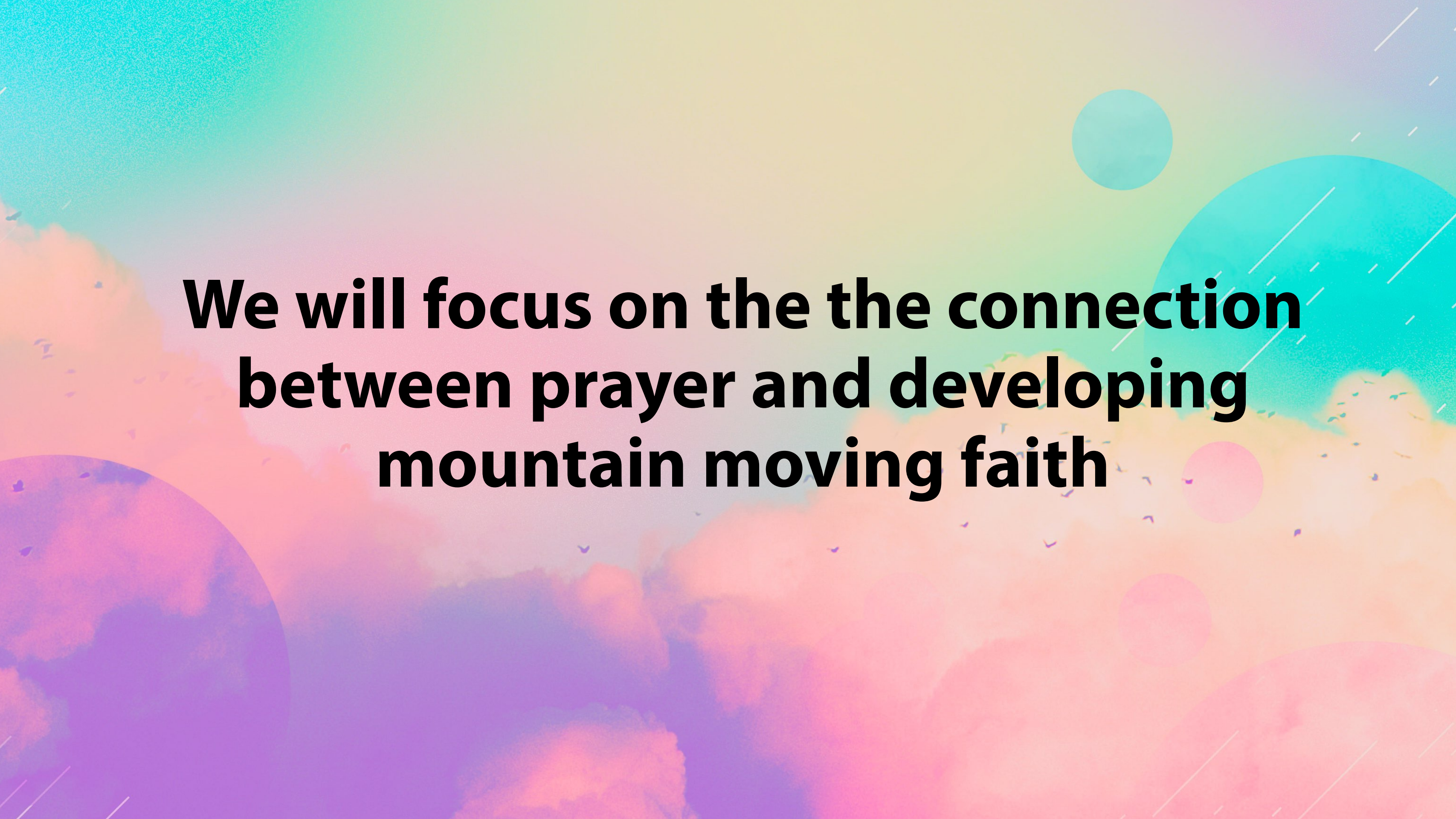
PART THREE *Developing Mountain Moving Faith*

If you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting. Matthew 17:20-21

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Matthew 17:14, And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, 15 "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. 16 So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him. 17 Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me."

Matthew 17:18, *And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. 19 Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" 20 So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. 21 However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."*



**We will focus on the the connection
between prayer and developing
mountain moving faith**

What is faith? Two Things:

1) What you believe, your doctrine, and your manner of living. "The Faith," a noun.

Jude 3, *I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for **the faith** which was once for all delivered to the saints.*

2) Your beliefs and corresponding actions based on God's word. "Have faith, A verb

Matthew 17:20, *"If you **have faith** as a mustard seed"*

What is Unbelief?

Jesus characterized the disciple's inability to help the afflicted boy as "*unbelief*."

Unbelief isn't simply not believing in something (they tried to help the boy), **unbelief is a lack of preparedness to meet the challenge.**

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Unbelievable High Jump Training



The Cure for Unbelief

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The Cure for Unbelief: Faith Development

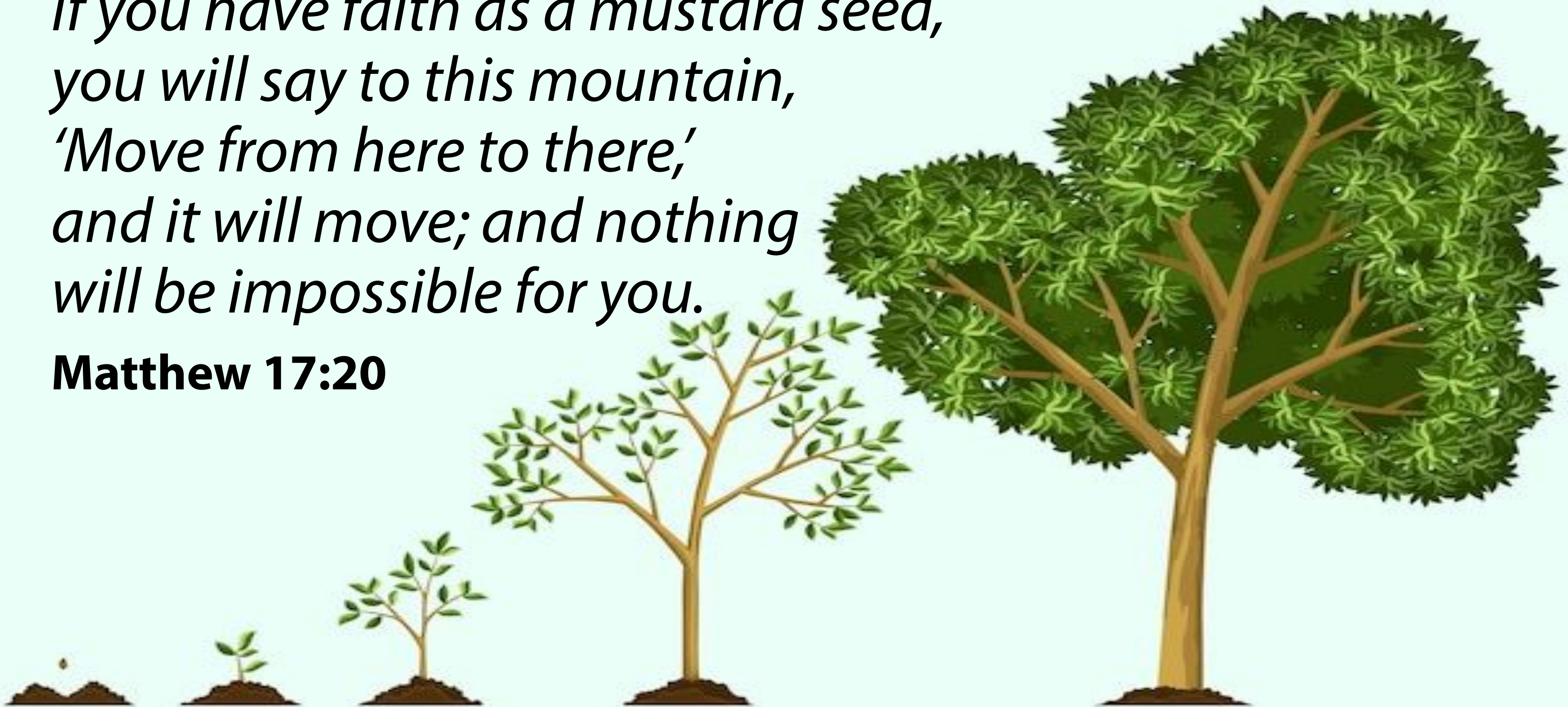
- Have Faith **AS** a mustard seed
- Not faith **THE SIZE** of a mustard seed



Developing Faith Moves Mountains!

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Matthew 17:20



What Prayer & Fasting Does

Matthew 17:21, *However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.*

- Prayer and fasting takes attention off of yourself, your routines, and your focus on self-satisfaction.
- Prayer and fasting **helps you focus on God.**
- Prayer and fasting **DOES NOT MOVE GOD!**
- Prayer and fasting **MOVES YOU!**
- Prayer and fasting **develops your faith.**

Listen to the Apostle James on Faith Development

James 2:14, *What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? 17 Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.*

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James 2:18, *But someone will say, “You have faith, and I have works.” Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.*

19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble! 20 But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?

What Developing Faith Looks Like

Faith in God produces a change in your heart, in your life, and in your lifestyle.

Faith is not a transaction. Faith is a lifestyle aligned with the will of God.

Faith is not just belief or something we do on Sundays or Easter, **faith is a habit.**

Habit defined: A settled or regular tendency or practice. Now there are good and bad habits.

What Hinders Faith Development?

Allowing offense to fester in the heart and mind

Proverbs 19:11 (MEV) *“Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook an offense”*

What Hinders Faith Development?

If you are offended because you think someone wronged you, there is Scripture for that.

Matthew 18:15 *Moreover **if your brother sins against you**, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother.*

Be sure it was a sin, not just something you didn't like.

Mountain moving faith won't work if offense is present

Mark 11:22 *So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. 23 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. 24 **Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.***

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Mark 11:25 *And whenever you stand praying, **if you have anything against anyone, forgive him**, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. 26 But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses."*

Your Faith Will be Tested by Refining Fire

Any kind of development will involve training, learning, and **eventually the test will come.**

1 Peter 1:6, *In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, 7] **that the genuineness of your faith**, being much more precious than gold that perishes, **though it is tested by fire**, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ*

Your faith in God is more valuable than gold!
Your faith, like gold, must be refined.



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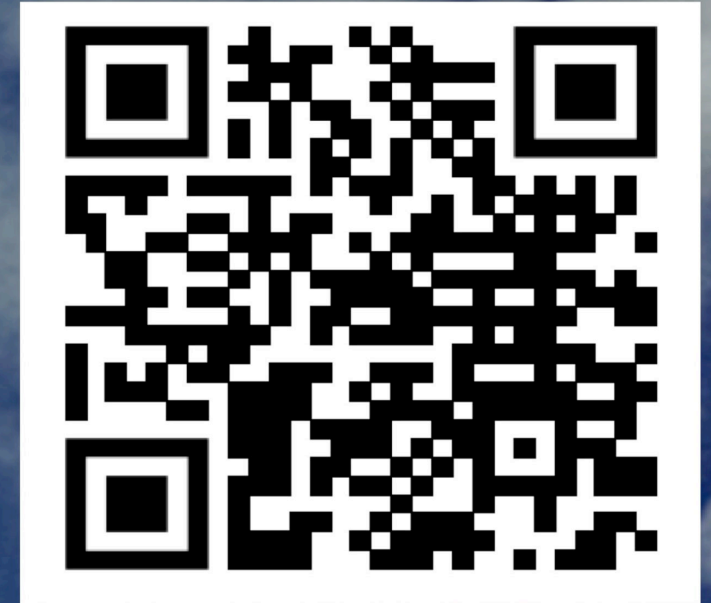


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Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. Matthew 18:19

Daily Bible Reading ~ Wednesday Fast ~ Agreement in Purpose & Practice