Title: Speaking to Our Mountains

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## **Strongholds**

## 2 Corinthians 10:4-5

- **4** For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power *to destroy strongholds.*
- **5** We destroy *arguments* and every lofty *opinion* raised against the knowledge of God, and take every *thought* captive *to obey* Christ

## Mark 6:12-13

- 12 So they went out and proclaimed that people should *repent*.
- 13 And they cast out many *demons* and anointed with oil many who were **sick** and *healed* them.

# Thought patterns must change

## **Proverbs 23:7 NKJV**

For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.

# **Godly Strongholds**

#### James 4:6-7

- **6** But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the *humble*"
- **Submit** yourselves therefore to God. *Resist* the devil, and he will flee from you.

## Psalm 125:2

As the *mountains* surround Jerusalem, so the *LORD surrounds his people*, from this time forth and forevermore.

## Psalm 61:1, 3-4

- 1 Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer;
- 3 for you have been my refuge, a *strong tower* against the enemy.
- 4 Let me dwell in your tent forever! Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings!

## Believe God is for you

#### Hehrew 11:1 CEV

Faith *makes us sure* of what we *hope for* and gives us *proof* of what we *cannot see*.

## **Hebrew 11:6**

And *without faith* it is *impossible to please* Him, for whoever would draw near to God *must believe that He exists* and that **he rewards** those who seek him.

## Mark 11:23

Truly, I say to you, whoever *says to this mountain*, 'Be taken up and *thrown into the sea*,' and does *not doubt* in his heart, *but believes* that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him.

## Mark 11:24-25

- 24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.
- 25 And whenever you stand praying, *forgive*, if you have anything against anyone, *so that your Father* also who is in heaven *may forgive you* your trespasses."

## **Prayer**

## Jeremiah 29:11-12

- 11 For *I know the plans I have for you*, declares the LORD, plans for *welfare* and not for evil, to give you a *future* and a *hope*.
- 12 Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

## Jeremiah 29:11-13

- 13 You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.
- 14 I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will *restore* your fortunes and *gather you* from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the LORD,

### James 5:15-16

- 15 And the *prayer of faith* will *save* the one who is *sick*, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.
- 16 Therefore, *confess your sins* to *one another* and *pray for one another*, that you may *be healed*.

The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working

## Speaking life or death

## James 3:8-11

- 8 but *no human* being can *tame the tongue*. It is a restless *evil*, *full of deadly poison*.
- **9** With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God.
- 10 From the *same mouth* come *blessing and cursing*. My brothers, these things ought not to be so.

## Proverbs 18:21

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.

## Psalm 34:13

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

## Proverbs 21:23

Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble.

#### 1 Peter 3:10

For "Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him *keep his tongue from evil* and his lips from speaking deceit;