**MUSTARD SEED SIZE FAITH**

**Luke 17:5-6**

[**5**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Luke-17-5/)**And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.**

[**6**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Luke-17-6/) **And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.**

**INTRO:**

**Illustration: There are seven days in a week, and God only requires that we give Him just one day out of those seven days to worship Him, learn about Him, and to rest in Him. That means that in one seven day week there are 168 hours, and God only expects us to give him about 3 hours out of those 168 hours! Is that not reasonable?**

**Application: My point is that God only requires a reasonable amount of faith as well. He only requires that we have the faith that is the size of a mustard seed. Do you know how big that is? A mustard seed is about the size of a pinhead! God does not require us to have much faith, but He also said that faith is required in order to please Him! It’s impossible to please God without faith!**

**1. Notice the Prayer of Faith**

**Luke 17:5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.**

**\*\*Pray that God increases your faith in His Promises, in His Power, and in His Purpose.**

**2. Notice the Presence of Faith**

**Luke 17:6 If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed,**

**\*\*The presence of mustard seed faith should be invested in God’s Will, God’s Ways, God’s Works, and God’s Word!**

**3. Notice the Practice of Faith**

**\*\*To practice mustard seed faith, you must first Talk to your Protector, (the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.) then Talk to your Problem (say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea;).**

**4. Notice the Power of Faith**

**Luke 17:6 and it should obey you.**

**\*\*Faith causes God to speak which causes the Sycamines to Obey, the Storms to Obey, the Sicknesses to Obey, the Seas to Obey, and the Situations to Obey which causes things to change which means that mustard seed size faith has power!**

**\*\*Let’s look at three things in relation to Mustard Seed Size Faith.**

**I. THE OBJECT OF MUSTARD SEED SIZE FAITH**

**Mark 11:22 [And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-11-22/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20Mark%2011%3A22)**

**\*\*Not in Self, Systems, Sanctuaries, Sums (money or members), or even Saints! Put your faith in God!**

**\*\*Have a Consistent and Confident mustard seed size faith!**

 **A. Trust God’s Person through mustard seed size faith**

 **1. The Person of God is the Savior**

**\*\*He will be caring, compassionate, convicting, and converting if you will only have mustard seed size faith!**

 **2. The Person of God is the Spirit**

**\*\*He will offer you Comfort, Communication, and Cheer if you will only have mustard seed size faith!**

 **B. Trust God’s Promises through mustard seed size faith \*\*You can have mustard seed size faith in God’s promises**

 **1. Because They’ve Stood Tried in Times Past**

 **2. Because They’re Standing True in Times Presents**

 **3. Because They’ll Stand Trustworthy in Times Promised**

 **C. Trust God’s Purpose through mustard seed size faith**

 **1. When you are in DOUBT – Trust His Purpose!**

**I Timothy 2:8** **[I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Timothy-2-8/%22%20%5Co%20%22CLICK%20FOR%20MORE%20TRANSLATIONS%20of%201%20Timothy%202%3A8-%20I%20will%20therefore%20that%20men%20pray%20every%20where%2C%20lifting%20up%20holy%20hands%2C%20without%20wrath%20and%20doubting.)**

 **2. When you are in DARKNESS – Trust His Purpose!**

**I Kings 8:12** **[Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Kings-8-12/%22%20%5Co%20%22CLICK%20FOR%20MORE%20TRANSLATIONS%20of%201%20Kings%208%3A12-%20Then%20spake%20Solomon%2C%20The%20LORD%20said%20that%20he%20would%20dwell%20in%20the%20thick%20darkness.)**

 **3. When you are in DEPRESSION – Trust His Purpose!**

**John 14:18** **I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**

**\*\*God will bless you if you keep a mustard seed size faith that believes in His Person, His Promises, and His Purpose!**

**II. THE OPPORTUNITIES OF MUSTARD SEED SIZE FAITH**

**\*\*If it is God’s Will, God’s Word, and God’s Way and you have Mustard Seed Size Faith, then . . .**

 **A. You can Speak the Impossible!**

 **Mark 11:23** [**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.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-11-23/)

 **1. Some Mountains God Helps You To Climb!**

 **a. Have Mustard Seed Size Faith in His Strength**

 **b. Have Mustard Seed Size Faith in His Support**

 **2. Some Mountains God Helps You To Conquer! \*\*With mustard seed size faith you’ll conquer mountains and a. Get God’s Grace b. Give God Glory**

 **3. Some Mountains God Helps You To Clear!**

 **a. With God’s Move the Mountain will be Cleared**

 **(His Work)**

 **b. With God’s Mind the Mountain will be Cleared**

 **(His Will)**

**\*\*Most people ask for help to climb mountains; some ask to conquer mountains, but very few ask to clear mountains.**

 **B. You can See the Impossible!**

**Mark 11:24** [**What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-11-24/)

 **1. You Can See the Impossible Based On Faith**

 **(Desire it and Declare it by Faith!)**

 **2. You Can See the Impossible Based On Fact**

 **(It can be Received, and it can be Real!)**

**III. THE OBSTACLES OF MUSTARD SEED SIZE FAITH**

**\*\*Some allow obstacles to hinder their mustard seed sized faith.**

 **A. Unbelief Is Such An Obstacle**

**Mark 11:23 “and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass”**

**\*\*Doubt means “to be divided, hesitant, and drawn back.”**

**\*\*It’s being 1. Uncertain 2. Undecided 3. Unsure**

**Illustration: When Peter saw by faith he actually could walk on water, he made a commitment with both of his feet to step over the edge. Unbelief keeps both feet inside the boat.  Doubt takes one step out of the boat and keeps one foot in.  But faith steps completely out of the boat.**

**\*\*Faith doesn't necessarily know where it's going, but it does know Who's leading.**

 **B. Unforgiveness Is Such An Obstacle**

**Mark 11:25-26 25**[**And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-11-25/)

**26**[**But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-11-26/)

**\*\*What keeps our prayers unanswered and our mountains unmoved and makes God’s power unattainable?**

 **1. Having An Unforgiven Soul**

**Psalms 66:18** **18**[**If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-66-18/)

**\*\*You must be forgiven to see God move your mountain.**

 **2. Having An Unforgiving Spirit**

**\*\*Unforgiving people are Callous, Cruel, and Cranky.**

**\*\*You must be forgiving to see God move your mountain.**

**CLOSE**

**\*\*Sometimes in life we will let circumstances and situations rob us and take away our mustard seed size faith!**

**\*\*However, Sin, Satan, Sickness, Struggles, and Sorrow have to bow to Mustard Seed Size Faith.**

**\*\*Do you need to come to the Lord and ask God to increase your faith?**

**\*\*Do you have a mountain that needs to be move and you need to come and pray for God’s will and offer Him your mustard seed size faith that believes in His Will, His Ways, and His Word?**

**\*\*Do you need to come and offer some mustard seed size faith that believes the Lord can and will save you today?**

**\*\*Remember, God is not requiring a lot! It’s only the size of a mustard seed of faith that God wants you to put on display before Him. Come and give that to Him now!**