

## THE GOD OF THE MOUNTAINS

PASTOR TIMOTHY GREEN

Ps 125:1-2 They that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round about his people from henceforth even for ever.

The Bible talks a lot about mountain top experiences. Abraham was told to climb Mount Moriah and offer his son as a sacrifice. Moses was called to the top of Mount Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments. Elijah proved on Mount Carmel that the One True God was the God who answered by fire. Jesus Himself spent a lot of time in the mountains. His most famous sermon is called, "The Sermon on the Mount." He prayed in the mountains. He was transfigured in the mountains. His betrayal and eventual return will take place on Mount Olivet. We sing about a place called Mount Calvary and what took place there on an old rugged cross.

The Bible has a lot to say about mountains.

On the mountain, we discover two important truths. One, God changes our perspective of who He is. Two, God changes our perspective of who we are.

With a new perspective of God and a new perspective of ourselves, our lives change. We are not the same coming down the mountain as we were going up the mountain.

Mountaintop experiences are great, but they don't last forever. Nor are they supposed to. We are not meant to live on top of the mountain, we just go there to get our perspectives right so that we can descend the mountain and share with others the things that we have learned.

God blesses us so that we can bless others. That's not just with our finance, that's also with our experiences, with our knowledge and with the things that we have seen and heard.

God wants us to know Him better and then He expects us to make Him known to those who don't yet know Him.

If you are willing to climb the mountain; if you are willing to take the time and make the sacrifice, what you receive from God, will be well worth your time and effort.

The mountains are calling your name.