

"I am tired of moving"

Psalm 16:8

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Illustration

- * I don't know about you but moving is hard work**
- * No matter if you live in a one room apartment or a humongous two story house, packing and moving is rough stuff**
- * Moving is work**
- * Moving from a position or to a position is also work it involves activity**
- * Many are always moving from one popular phrase or one doctrine or one opinion or another – the word says they are people tossed too and fro - you know even being tossed around is tough business**
- * So moving rather it be a move of housing or a move on a position or fighting against something – taking a stand not to be moved is hard**

Moving disrupts even if it's a good move – Moving always births change – Moving changes our surroundings – our security – it just plain hard work

You know I have also learned that *staying or standing is tough*

- * Refusing to be moved – refusing to change your stance, to change your position is a real challenge in this world**
- * You have to have a reason to stay strong and not be moved in this day and age**
- * Just because the neighborhood has changed – just because everyone around you has changed – just because it gets tough or un-popular does not mean that you have to move.**
- * Staying and Standing only comes when we set the Lord always before us**

I am finding that a lot of people are saying “I’m tired of Moving”

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“*I have set* the LORD *always* before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved”

* What does it mean to set the Lord always before you?

It means that you choose to relate everything you encounter to your trust in God

What you choose to focus on becomes the dominant influence in your life

You may be a Christian, but if your focus is always on your problems, your problems will determine the direction of your life

* If your focus is on people, then people will determine what you think and do.

In biblical times, the right hand was the most distinguished position, reserved for one’s chief adviser and supporter

* When you choose to focus on Christ, you invite Him to take the most important position in your life as Counselor and Defender

Every time you face a new experience, you should turn to Christ for His interpretation and strength

* When you face a crisis, you should receive strength from the One at your right hand

* When you experience need, you should consult your Counselor before you react

* When you face a fearful situation, you should take courage from the Advocate at your right hand.

Everything you do is in the context of your relationship to Christ

* What an incredible act of God's grace that Christ should stand before you and beside you to guide you and counsel you and defend you!

* We should never become dismayed over a situation with Christ at our right hand?

What confidence this should give us!

Psalm 118:8

"It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man"

Proverbs 3:26

"For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken"

Proverbs 14:26

"In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge"

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* If I will set the Lord before me

* If I will trust the Lord

* If the Lord is my confidence

* If I am not moving – THEN I will not move

Proverbs 14:26-27 (KJV)

"26 In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.

27 The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death"

Deuteronomy 32:36-37 (KJV)

“36 For the Lord shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants, when he seeth that their power is gone, and there is none shut up, or left.

“37 And he shall say, Where are their gods, their rock in whom they trusted”

*** Simply – where is their gods, their rock in whom they had confidence**

God would show compassion upon the Israelites when several things happen

*** The people of God will be restored when their strength, their self-sufficiency, is gone**

Deuteronomy 32:36 (KJV)

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Remember, the Israelites had forsaken God when they were full, when they had plenty of everything they needed – when they did not depend of God

*** Being so blessed, they began to feel as though they had achieved success by the arm of the flesh – no help do it all on their own**

*** Prosperity flooded the land and the people became comfortable and self-sufficient**

*** They began to feel that they were wise and knowledgeable enough to control the economy and prosperity that flooded the nation**

Self-sufficiency and pride caused the people to forget God, that all blessings actually flow from Him

*** It was this self-sufficiency and pride that had caused the judgment of God to fall upon the people**

*** The people would have to suffer the loss of all they had before they would ever realize their need for God's strength**

All sense of self-sufficiency and pride would first have to be wiped out

- * The people would *then acknowledge their sin*, that they had trusted in false gods and taken refuge in false rocks
- * Once the people had been exiled, deported into foreign nations, *then they would realize the weakness of the false gods and false worship* they had been following
- * They would realize that they had been trusting in false protection, false shelter and refuge

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37 And he shall say, Where are their gods, their rock in whom they trusted,

38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, and drank the wine of their drink offerings? Let them rise up and help you, and be your protection”

- * Once these calamities had come upon the people—once they had lost all sense of self-sufficiency and pride—they would then turn to the living and true God
- * They would see that the Lord (Jehovah, Yahweh) is truly the only living God
- * There is no god beside Him

* It is He alone who holds the power of life and death, sickness and health, victory and deliverance – Somebody needs to Amen that!

2 Samuel 22:3

“The God of my *rock*; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my *salvation*, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence”

David praised the Lord for His power to answer prayer and to deliver him

*** Throughout his life, David faced crisis after crisis, impossible situations**

In facing frightening and terrifying enemies, David could do only one thing: cry out to the Lord, calling on the Lord to deliver him

And in this song of praise, David declares that the Lord heard and answered his prayer

The Lord delivered him from his enemies

The Lord demonstrated His mighty, omnipotent power:

2 Samuel 22:1-7 (KJV)

“1 And David spake unto the Lord the words of this song in the day that the Lord had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

2 And he said, The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;

3 The God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

4 I will call on the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

6 The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

7 In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears”

*** David was singing a song and telling all even his enemy that God answers prayer**

That God is a deliver

*** That - The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour**

Matthew 19:26

"But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible"

Luke 1:37

"For with God nothing shall be impossible"

Job 42:2

"I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee"

*** David was not moved by the circumstances around him**

*** David was making the bold statement and sang it loudly that the Lord was his rock.**

*** Simply he was not going to be moved – that he and God would stand!**

Who among you have a David Song?

*** The Songs of Deliverance**

*** The Songs of Healing**

*** The Songs of Strength**

*** The Songs of Joy**

*** The Songs of Provision**

*** The Songs of Spiritual Awakening**

*** The Songs of Guidance and Decision**

*** The Songs of Provision**

*** The Songs of Refuge**

*** The Songs of Victory**

*** The Song of Salvation / A Sound from Heaven!**

Look at the your neighbor and tell them “I’m tired of being moved”

- * Sometimes you just gotta sing louder that the sounds of adversity
- * Sometimes you just gotta stomp your foot and square your shouders and speak to the winds of Hell and shout stop in the name of the Lord!

Psalm 16:8

“I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved”

Psalm 62:2

“He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved”

I shall not be moved – I’m tired of moving – Hear my now I will stay!

2 Timothy 2:19

“Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity”

The foundation of God's house is sure

- * Some may turn away from Christ; the faith of some may be overthrown and undermined by godless teaching and talk – by godless living

“Nevertheless the foundation of God stands sure”

- * What is meant by the foundation of God?
- * It means the household of God or the household of faith
- * It means the great house of believers that God is building

It is the family and church of God—the true family and true church of God

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Note two facts about the great house of believers

1. The great house of God has two inscriptions written upon it that seal and guarantee its security

* The first inscription is this: *"The Lord knows those who are his"*

* There are no false professions and no hypocrites in God's household—not in His real household

Song

“Falling in Love with Jesus” [Kirk Whalum]

Falling in love with Jesus
 Falling in love with Jesus
 Falling in love with Jesus
 Is the Best Thing I Ever- Ever done

In His arms *I feel* connected
 In His arms *I never feel* disconnected
 In His arms *I feel protected*

There's no place I'd rather be
 There's no place I'd rather be
 There's no place I'd rather be

The first inscription is this: *"The Lord knows those who are his"*

No one fools God

The point is this:
If a person is living within the household of God—remaining steadfast and loyal—he is a true believer, a true member of God's household. And he is secure within God's house

1 Corinthians 8:3

"But if any man love God, the same is known of him"

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2. The great house of God has two inscriptions written upon it that seal and guarantee its security.

The second inscription is this:

"Let everyone that names the name of Christ depart from iniquity [unrighteousness]"

- * The sign that a person is of the household of God is a changed life
- * A person who follows Christ does not live in sin
- * If a person lives in sin, he is not following Christ

Therefore, if we name the name of Christ, we must depart from iniquity

- * If we continue in sin, then we are only making a false profession
- * **Making a Demonic Profession** – remember even the demons fear and tremble but never change.
- * We are not of God's household—not really
- * Our sinful behavior proves the fact

The point is this:

The foundation of God is sure; His household is established forever and it is built upon the principle of righteousness:

- * Everyone that names the name of Christ repents and departs from iniquity (unrighteousness).

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This is a fact

* It is an eternal principle established by God

* His household is built upon righteousness

* Righteousness is the inscription that is written across the face of His household

Therefore, if a person is a member of His household, they have forsaken and departed from iniquity. They do not live in sin.

Common sense tells us that if a person has departed from God, he is not living with God

* To be apart from God is not to be with God; it is to be separated from God, out of the presence and house of God.

* Common sense tells us that if a person has departed from iniquity and lives in the righteousness of God, then he belongs to the household of God

To be living like God—righteously—is to be with God, in the presence and house of God

Ephesians 4:22

"That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts"

Hebrews 12:1

"Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us"

Conclusion**Psalm 16:8**

“I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved”

*** Hey, many are so tired of Moving – they want to be in a place with the Lord that moving is no longer an option**

Exodus 33:18-23 (KJV)

“21 And the Lord said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by..”

God did answer Moses' prayer (Exodus 33:21-23)

*** God would show Moses what he could bear, as much of His glory as Moses needed**

*** What Moses experienced was so wonderful that he could describe it only as Scripture states in these three simple verses:**

- 1. God told Moses to stand on a particular rock** (Exodus 33:21)
- 2. God put Moses in a cleft of a rock** (Exodus 33:22)
- 3. God covered Moses with the very hand of God Himself** (Exodus 33:22)
- 4. God removed His hand at some point and Moses saw some faint, hazy image of God's back** (Exodus 33:23)

The reference to God's "hand" and "back" are what is called *anthropomorphisms*

The word simply means *describing God and the experiences of God in a way that man can understand*

Are you Tired of Moving – Are you ready to be in a place with God that is called a permanent address – NO MORE MOVING!

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We must seek to know the LORD more and more. We must constantly seek...

- * A greater knowledge of the LORD**
- * A stronger belief and understanding of the LORD**
- * A clear, warmer fellowship with Him**
- * A more intimate communion with Him**
- * A deeper experience of His glory**

Then today lets make the decision and then act upon that decision by setting the Lord ALWAYS before us!

NO MORE MOVING!