

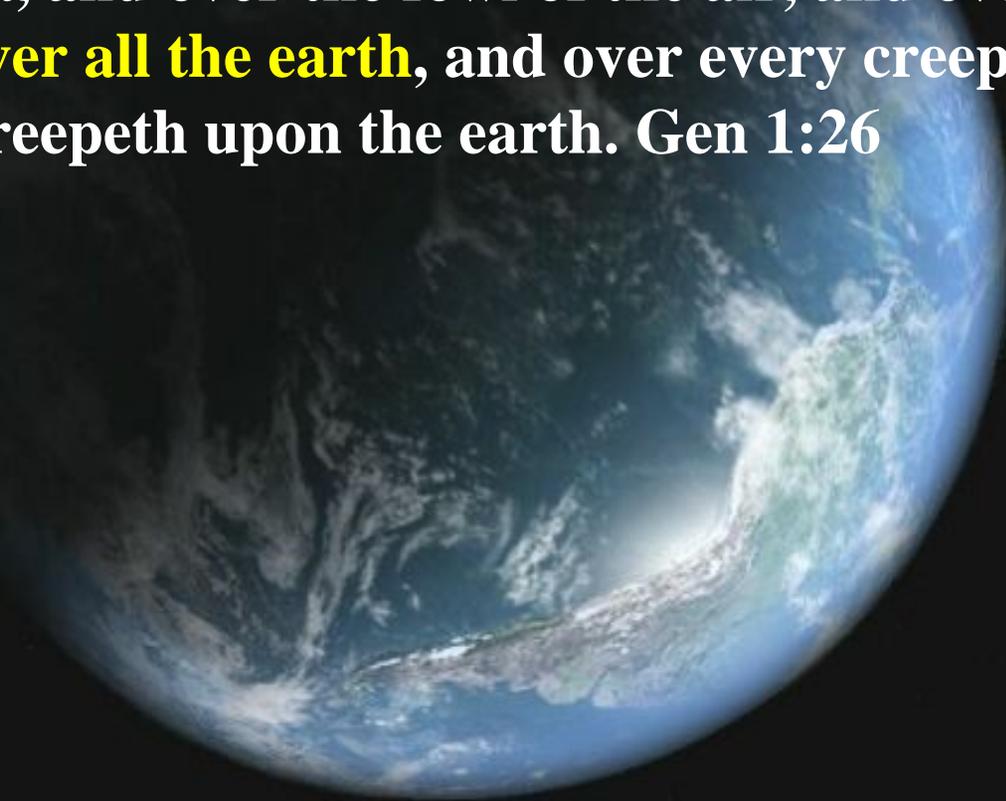
# Reclaiming the 7 Mountains of Culture

How to become a person of influence



# God's First Instruction to Man

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and **over all the earth**, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. Gen 1:26





Life

Work



# Societal

# Transformation

Matt 6:9-10

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven. "

Church

Nation



City



# RECLAIMING THE 7 MOUNTAINS OF CULTURE

## #1:

# Why we lost the 7 mountains? Disobedience

If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. - - Deut 28:1-2



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## RECLAIMING THE 7 MOUNTAINS OF CULTURE

# Why we lost the mountains Disobedience

Deut 28:15-19

However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you:



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Our enemies didn't have to kill us, we simply disobeyed God which *entitled* our enemies to take our mountains.



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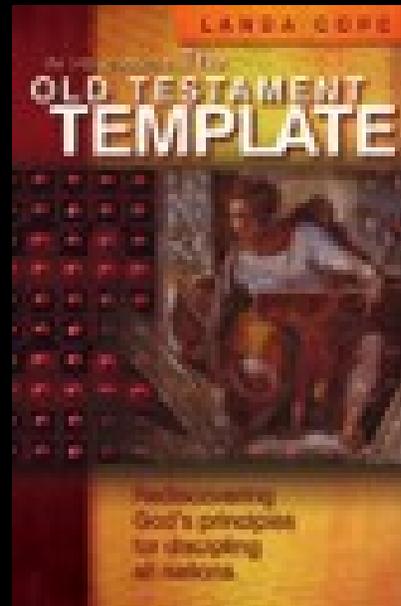
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# The Most Christianized City in America

British television documentary

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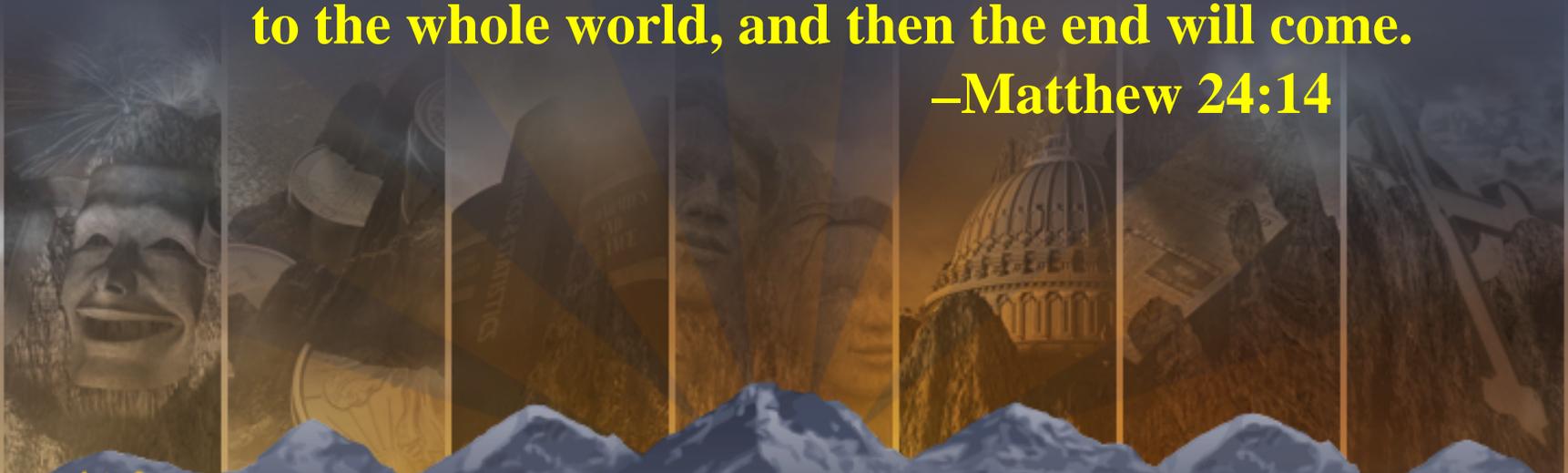
### Gospel of Salvation

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### Gospel of the Kingdom

**And this Gospel of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony as a testimony to the whole world, and then the end will come.**

**–Matthew 24:14**



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# An Incomplete Gospel

For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Luke 14:29-30

## Gospel of Salvation

- Proclamation evangelism
- Addresses only the “Soul”
- “Rapture” escape mentality

Focuses on Transaction

Nigeria

## Gospel of the Kingdom

- Soul *and* body
- Impacts all aspects of society
  - Material, social, earthly, secular

Focuses on taking dominion  
“Possess the Land”

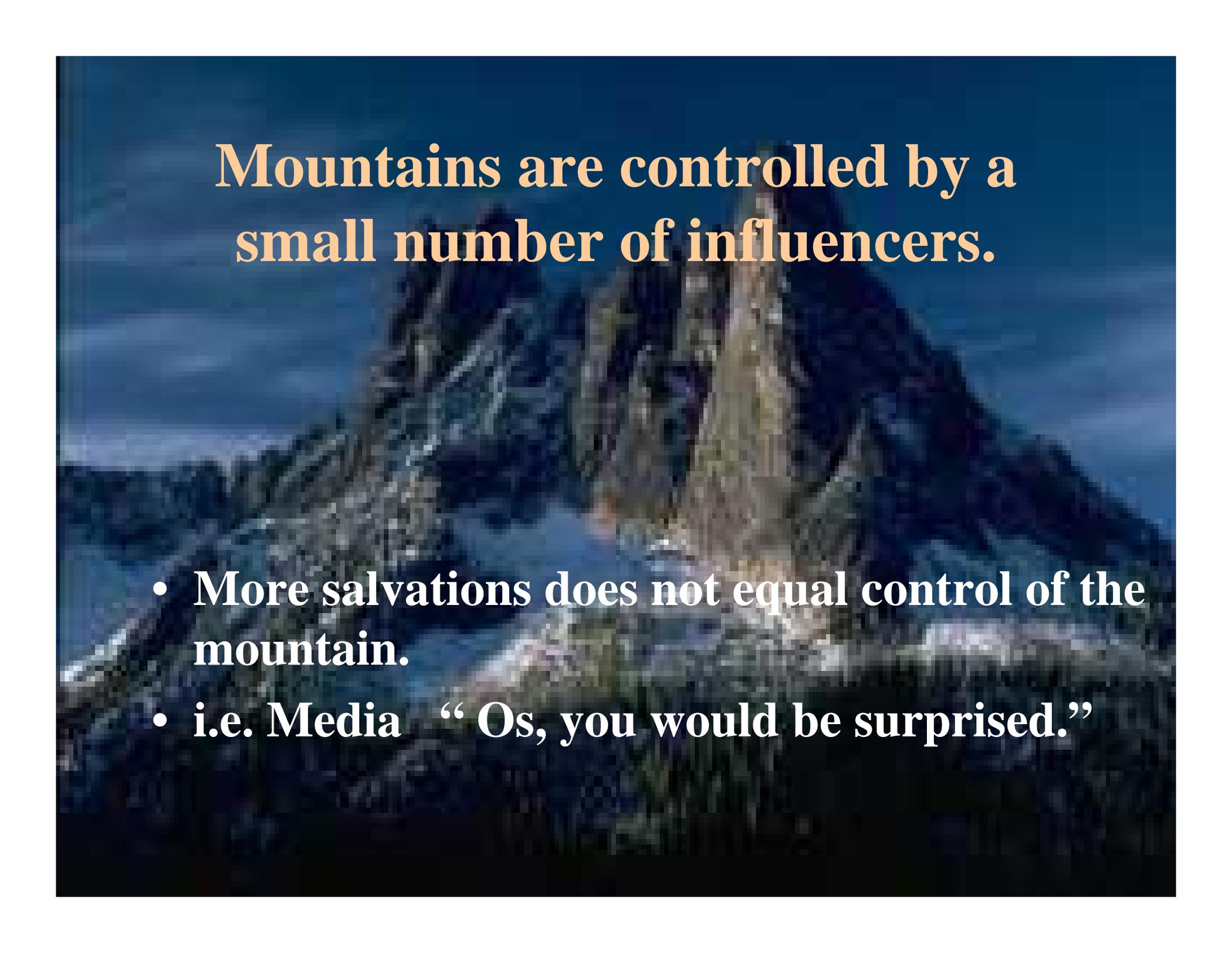
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**“A gospel that does not deal with the issues of the day is not the gospel at all.”**

**Martin Luther**

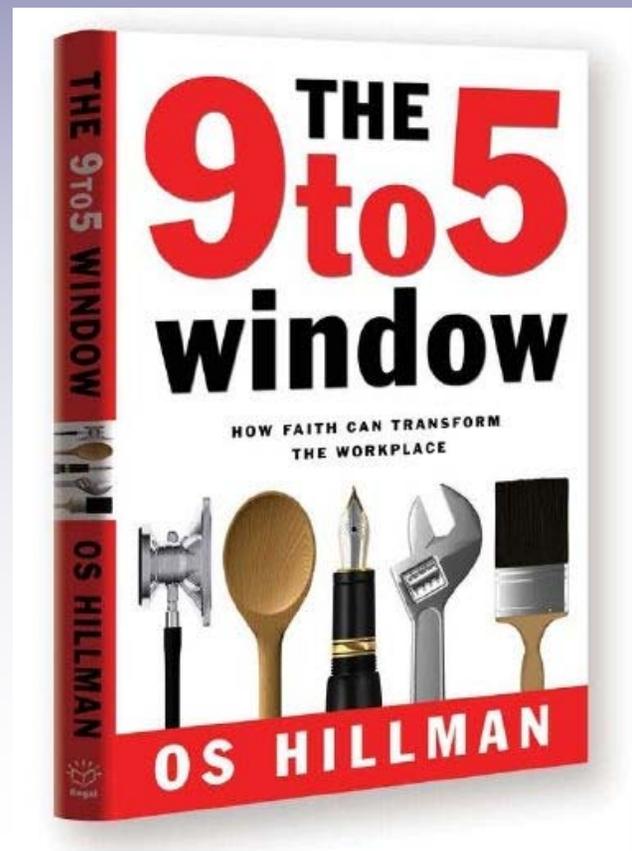




**Mountains are controlled by a  
small number of influencers.**

- **More salvations does not equal control of the mountain.**
- **i.e. Media “Os, you would be surprised.”**

# 3. Unbiblical View of Work & Ministry



# Key Issues/Barriers

- **Sacred/Secular - dualism**
- **Equality in Calling – one calling more spiritual**
- **Defining Ministry**
- **Local Church as Equipper**





# Abraham Kuyper

1837 – 1920 Netherlands

- Dutch leader
- father of 7 children
- entrepreneur
- Publisher/businessman
- Pastor, theologian
- Scholar, editor and writer, an educator
- Visionary speaker and
- Prime Minister from 1901 to 1905.
- His greatest legacy was the fact that he pioneered the idea of applying
- Christian worldview to all of life, including family, business, economics, politics, arts.

**"Oh, no single piece of our mental world is to be hermetically sealed off from the rest, and there is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over *all*, does not cry: 'Mine!'"**

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Only 9 percent of professing  
Christians (in America) have a  
biblical worldview.

[The Barna Update](#), "A Biblical Worldview Has a Radical Effect  
on a Person's Life," December 1, 2003.

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# Work IS Ministry

# Work TO Minister

Meet  
human  
needs

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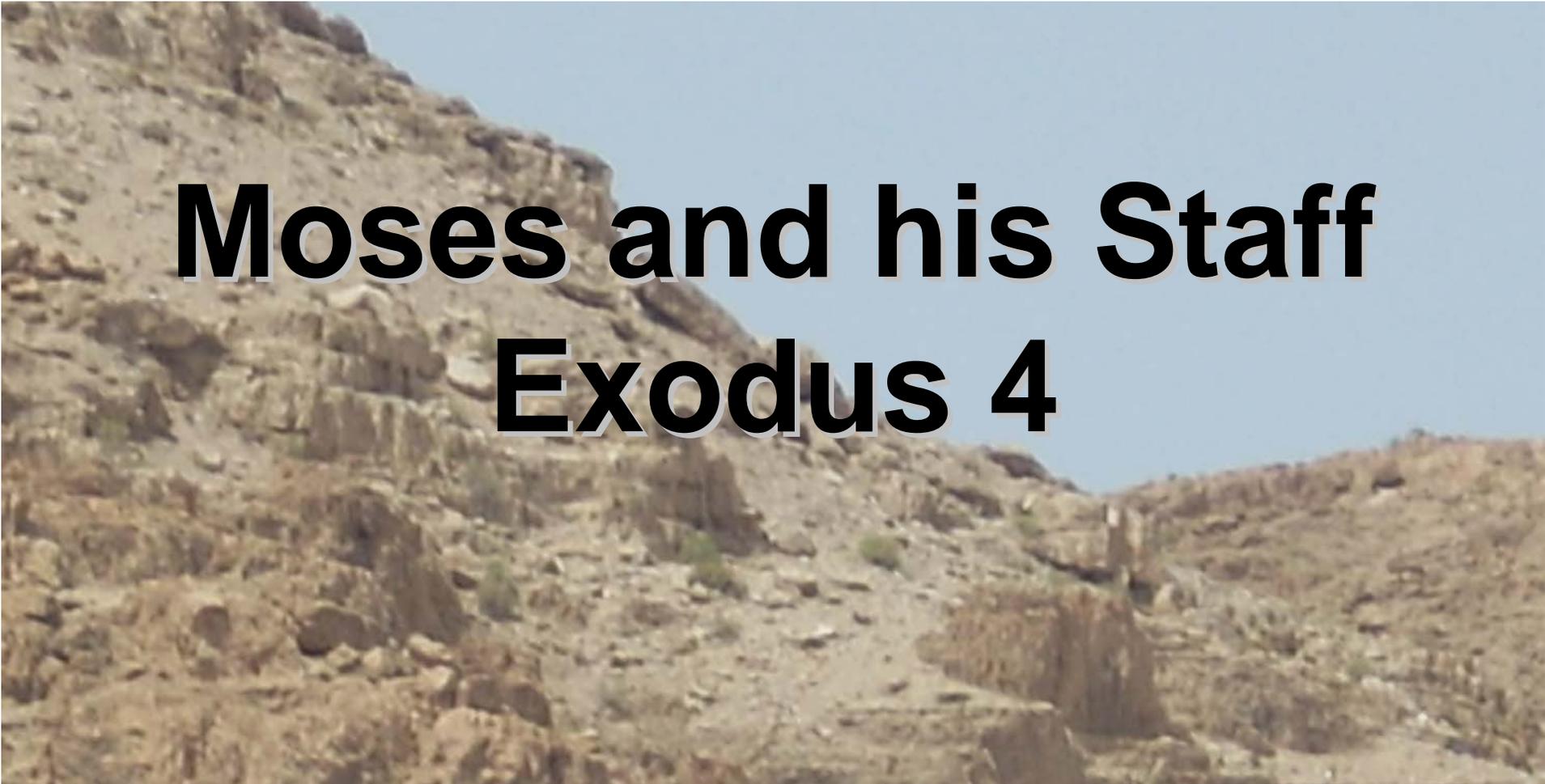
“Ministry”  
equates to  
“Service”  
“diakonia”

Col 3:23-25  
And whatever you do,  
do it heartily,  
as to the Lord and not to men,  
knowing that from the Lord  
you will receive the reward  
of the inheritance;  
for you serve the Lord Christ.

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Work is  
worship  
“Avodah”

influence -  
societal  
transformation



# **Moses and his Staff**

## **Exodus 4**

- **Take off your shoes!**
- **What is that in your hand?**
- **I'm going to perform miracles through your staff.**

A photograph of a mountain peak with a path leading up to it, overlaid with text. The image is dark and moody, with a blue and black color palette. The text is in a bold, serif font, centered on the image.

**Scaling the Mountain  
of Influence Will Involve  
Adversity**

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## How God Initiates New Calls

- **King Saul**

- Lost donkeys – king

- **Joseph**

- Prisoner – Ruler

- **David**

- Flee Saul's sword

- **Moses**

- Banished to desert - deliverer

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God often has to *disqualify* us from thinking we are *qualified* for the mission He has for us.

## Death of a vision



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# God Has to Disqualify You

**“Moses spent his first 40 years thinking he was somebody.**

**He spent his next 40 years learning he was nobody**

**He spent his third 40 years discovering what God can do with a nobody.”**

**-- D.L. Moody**

## RECLAIMING THE 7 MOUNTAINS OF CULTURE

# Humility is High Value of God

- Moses – “most humble man on face of the earth.”

**“Beware of any Christian leader  
who does not walk with a limp.”**

**– Bob Mumford**

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# 3 Phase Obedience Cycle to become a Key Influencer

Convenience

My business,  
my way.

Crisis

My business.  
His way.

Conviction

His business,  
His way.

Manifest  
His  
Glory!

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Matt 22:37-40

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# Intimacy with God Jer 9:23-24

Thus says the Lord "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, Let not the mighty man glory in his might, Nor let the rich man glory in his riches; But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the Lord, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the Lord.



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**Culture is rarely changed by  
one individual.**

**Belong to a Network**



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# You are called to impact your community.

**“All those who lived in Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.” Acts 9:35**

- **Catalyst: Peter, a marketplace leader was obedient in his calling. Peter healed clothing designer, Dorcus (raised from the dead)**

# City Transformation “Trinity”



## RECLAIMING THE 7 MOUNTAINS OF CULTURE

# Culture Changing Strategies

**1. Personal transformation is first**

**2. Begin to engage the culture through dialogue.**

**3. We need a biblical theology of work and calling - churches, individuals**

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**4. Educate the next generation** and encourage careers in 7mtn sectors Christian colleges and universities need a 7 mountain curriculum with industry insiders teach the courses

### **5. Serve the Community**

We gain influence when we as the collective Church show unity and generosity to impact social ills in our communities – pastors, intercessors, marketplace leaders

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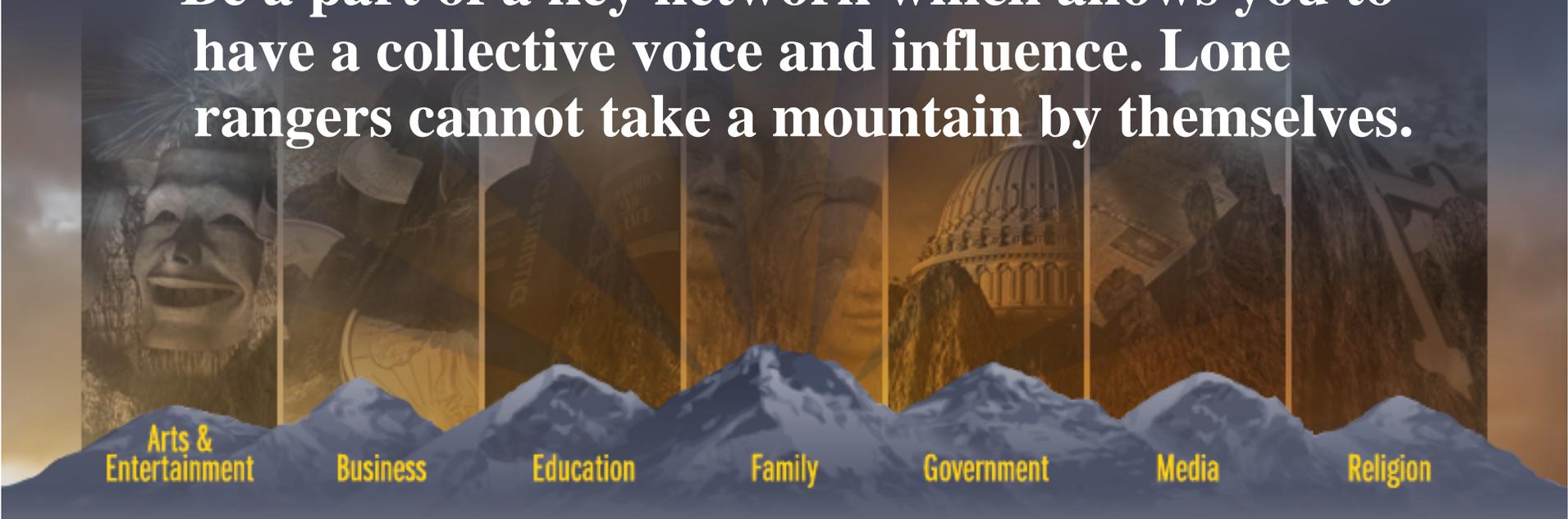
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## 6. Develop Key Influencer Strategies

Educate and mentor key influencers who are already operating at tops of mountains. Build relationships.

## 7. Be a Part of a Network

Be a part of a key network which allows you to have a collective voice and influence. Lone rangers cannot take a mountain by themselves.



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**8. Support Worthy Organizations and Initiatives with Time & Money**

**9. Conferences to Cast the Vision to the Marketplace Leaders**

**10. Move at a new dimension with God.  
Manifest His glory. i.e. Moses**

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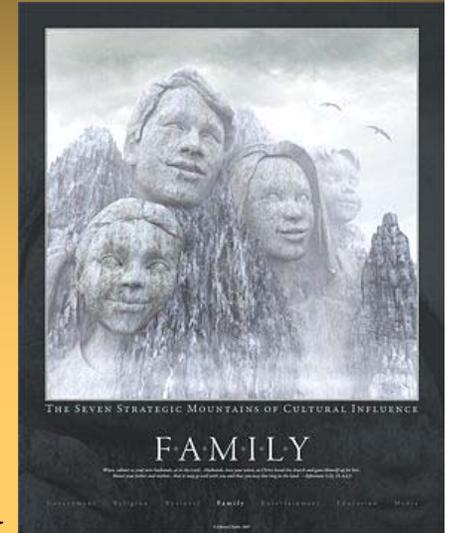
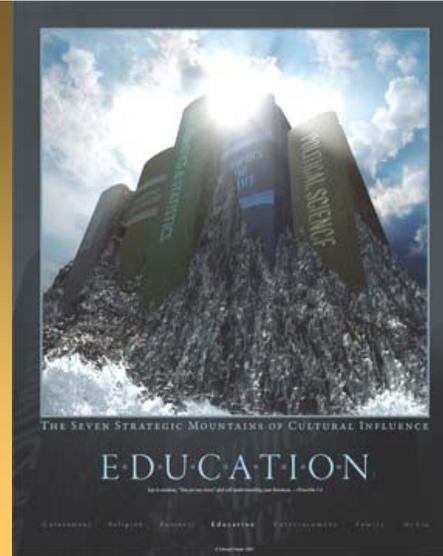
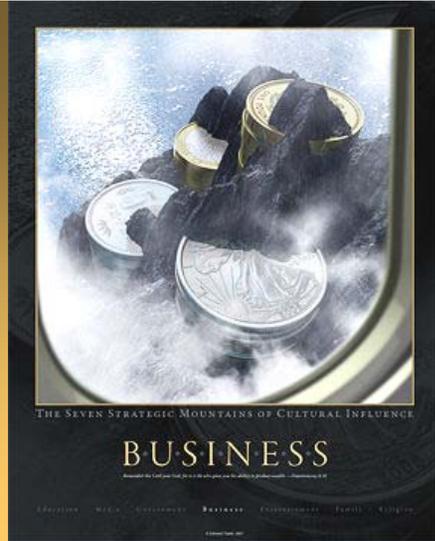
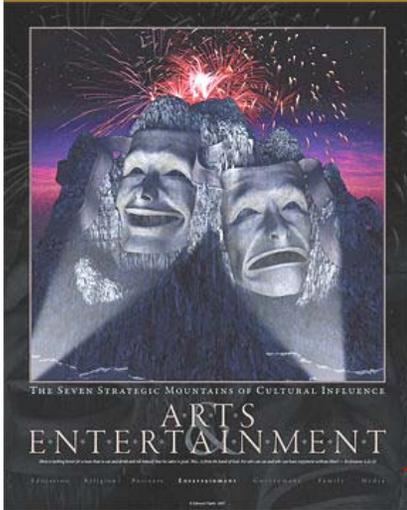
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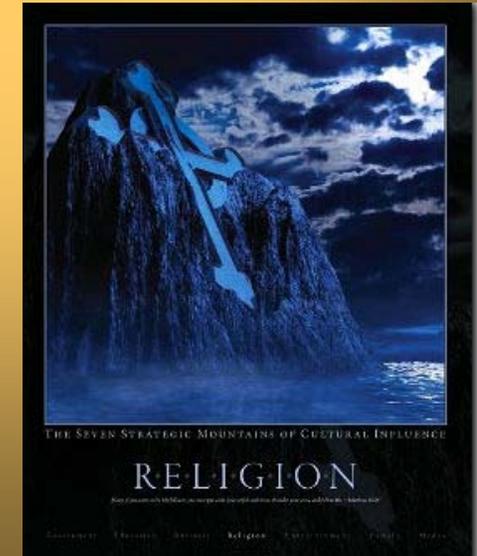
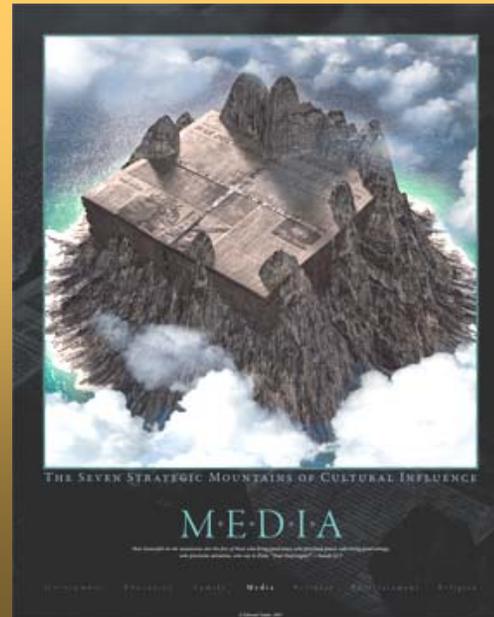
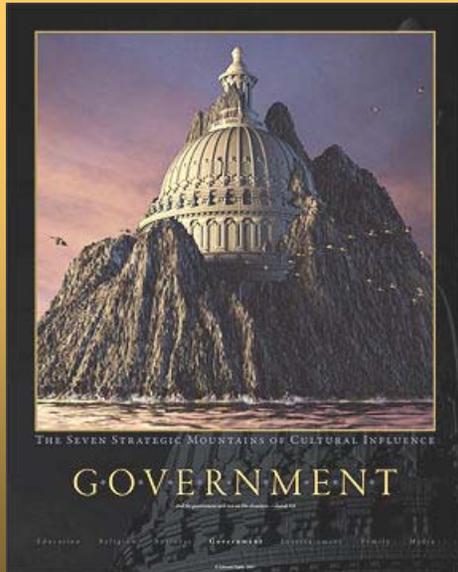
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Which mountain are you called to reclaim for Jesus Christ?



# Final Outcome?



**Now it shall come to  
pass in the latter days  
That the mountain of  
the Lord's house  
Shall be established  
on the top of the  
mountains, And  
shall be exalted above  
the hills; And all  
nations  
shall flow to it.  
Isa 2:2**



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**“But I have raised you up for this very purpose, that I might show you my power and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.”**

**Exodus 9:16**



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## Prayer



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