

# GIVE ME THIS MOUNTAIN



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**6 Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and thee in Kadeshbarnea.**

**7 Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.**

**8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.**

## **Joshua 14:6-14 - continued**

**9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.**

**10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.**

**11 As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.**

## **Joshua 14:6-14 - continued**

**12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.**

**13 And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.**

**14 Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.**

# Introduction

**A. A text from the book of battles**

- 1. Joshua now the leader**
- 2. The land is divided for inheritance**

**3. The area will have to be conquered and developed**

**B. Caleb: Give me this mountain**

- 1. Asks the most difficult task**
- 2. Why did Caleb ask for this?**



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## **A. Caleb the spy (Numbers 13-14)**

- 1. Sent by Moses 40 years earlier to spy out the land**
- 2. Found it exactly as God had said**
- 3. Caleb saw beyond this to Hebron**

**Genesis 14:18**

**Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.**

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**D. Caleb, standing on the promise**

**Numbers 14:23-24**

**23 Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:**

**24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.**

- 1. He will never forget them**
- 2. You will never find him part of the grumbling crowd**
- 3. He is on his way to a better land all through life**

## **II. He Remembers His Own Commitment To The Lord (vv 8-9)**

### **A. “I wholly followed the Lord”**

**1. Reminded of the time of full surrender**

**2. A man of God, total dedication and committed**

**Psalm 37:5**

**Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.**

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**B. Remembers how he had stood apart from the crowd**

- 1. Do you remember a day of victory?**
- 2. What about the day you were saved?**
- 3. What about the time of full surrender?**

**C. Have you left your first love?**

**Revelation 2:4-5**

**4 Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.**

**5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.**

# **III. He Remembers God's Faithfulness To Him**

## **(vv 10-11)**

**A. "God hath kept me alive"**

- 1. Have you thanked God for keeping you alive?**
- 2. The significance of that statement**

**B. "I am now fourscore and five years old"**

- 1. Do not let age get in the way**
- 2. Do not let the past get in the way**

**C. God had cared for him up to that hour**

**D. God's grace had sustained him**

**1 Corinthians 15:10**

**But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.**

## **IV. His Request**

### **A. “Now therefore give me this mountain”**

#### **1. Give me your best**

**1 Chronicles 4:10**

**And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.**

#### **2. Give me your toughest task**

### **B. Remembering should challenge us**

#### **1. Stop making excuses**

#### **2. Accept the challenge**

**MOVE ON TO HIGHER  
GROUND!!**

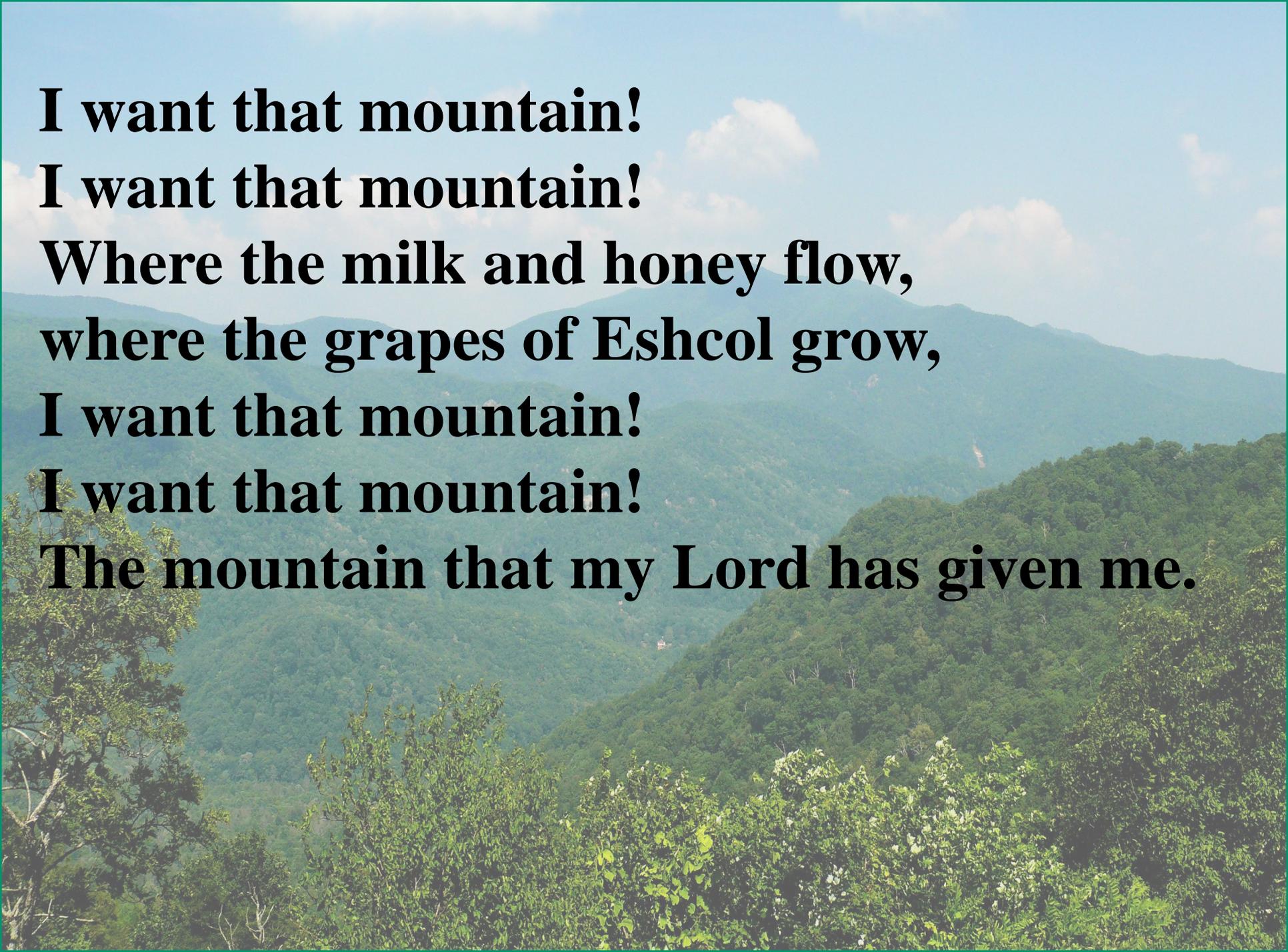
# **I Want That Mountain**

**I saw the Giant of Prayerlessness  
upon the mountain high;**

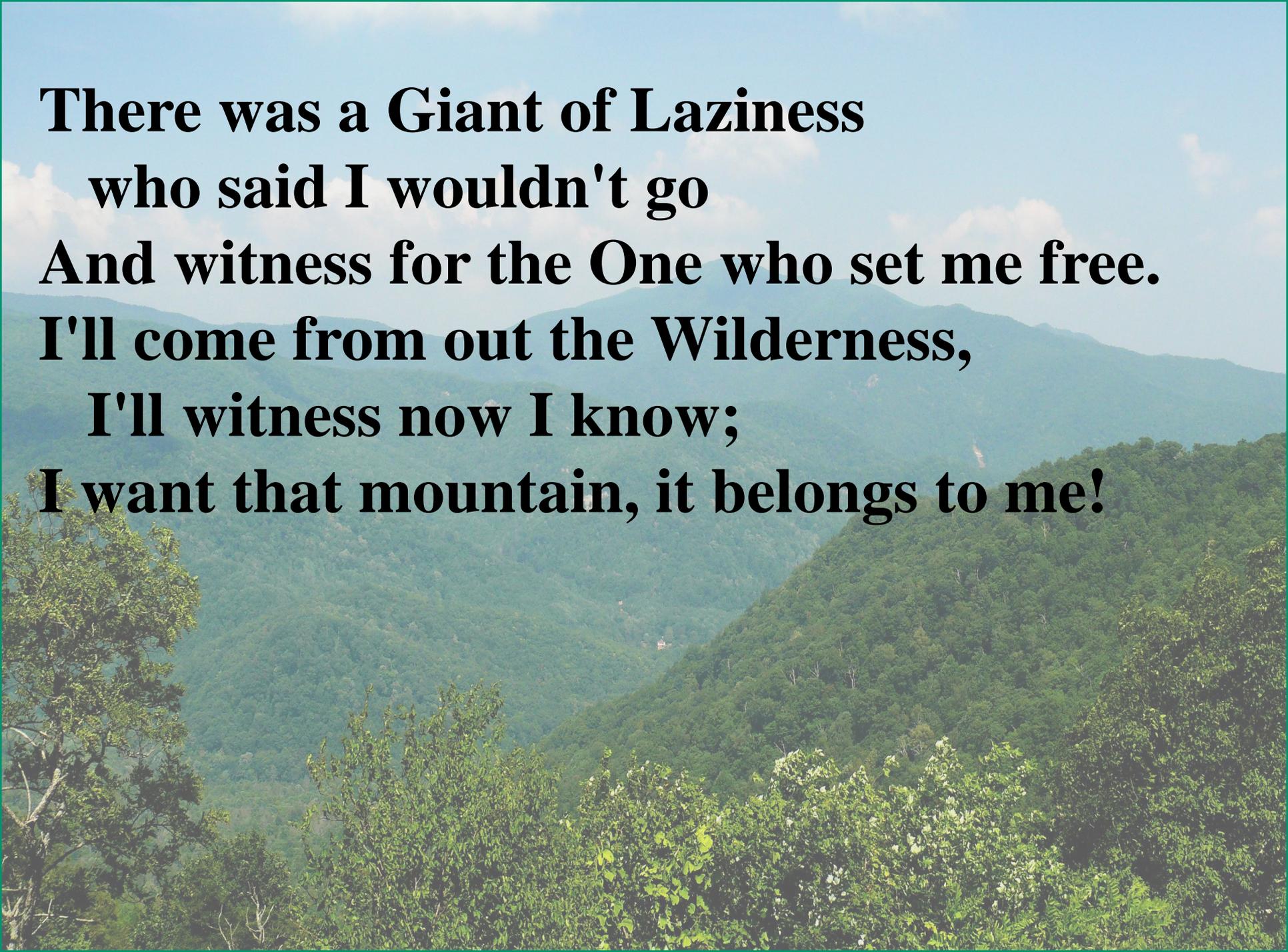
**He laughed so hard at my unbended knee.**

**No longer in the Wilderness I'll stay,  
and so I cry:**

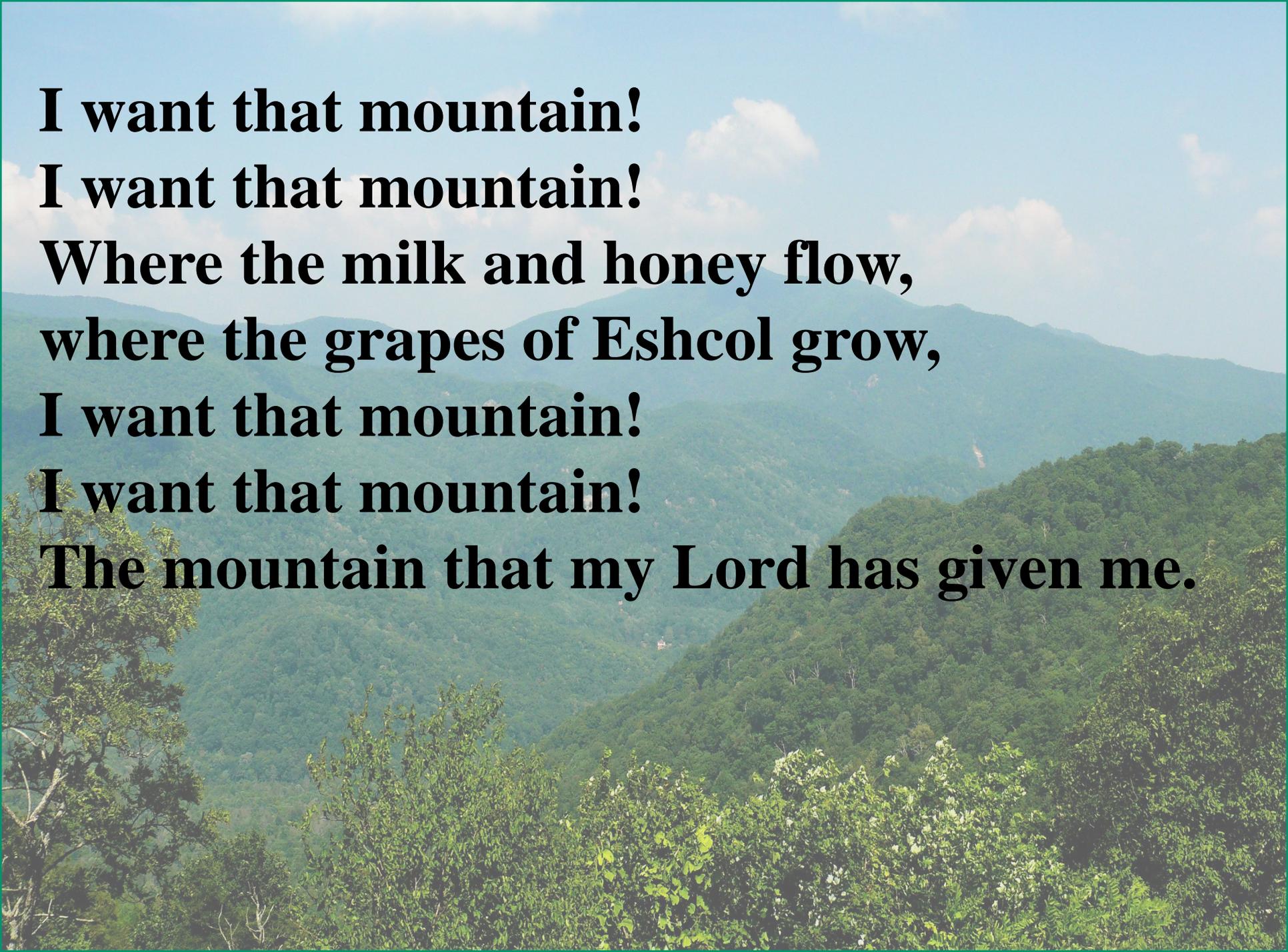
**I want that mountain, it belongs to me!**



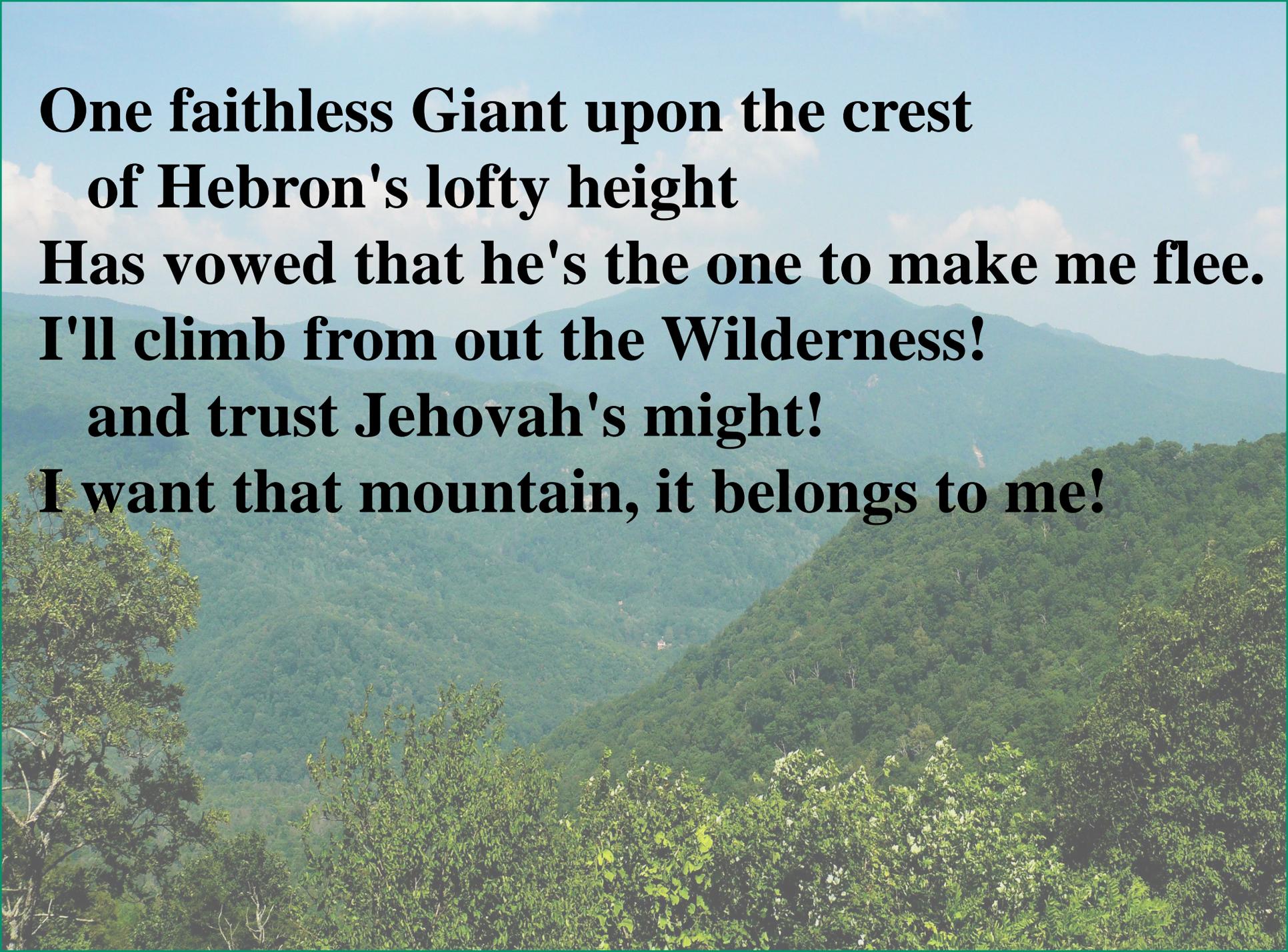
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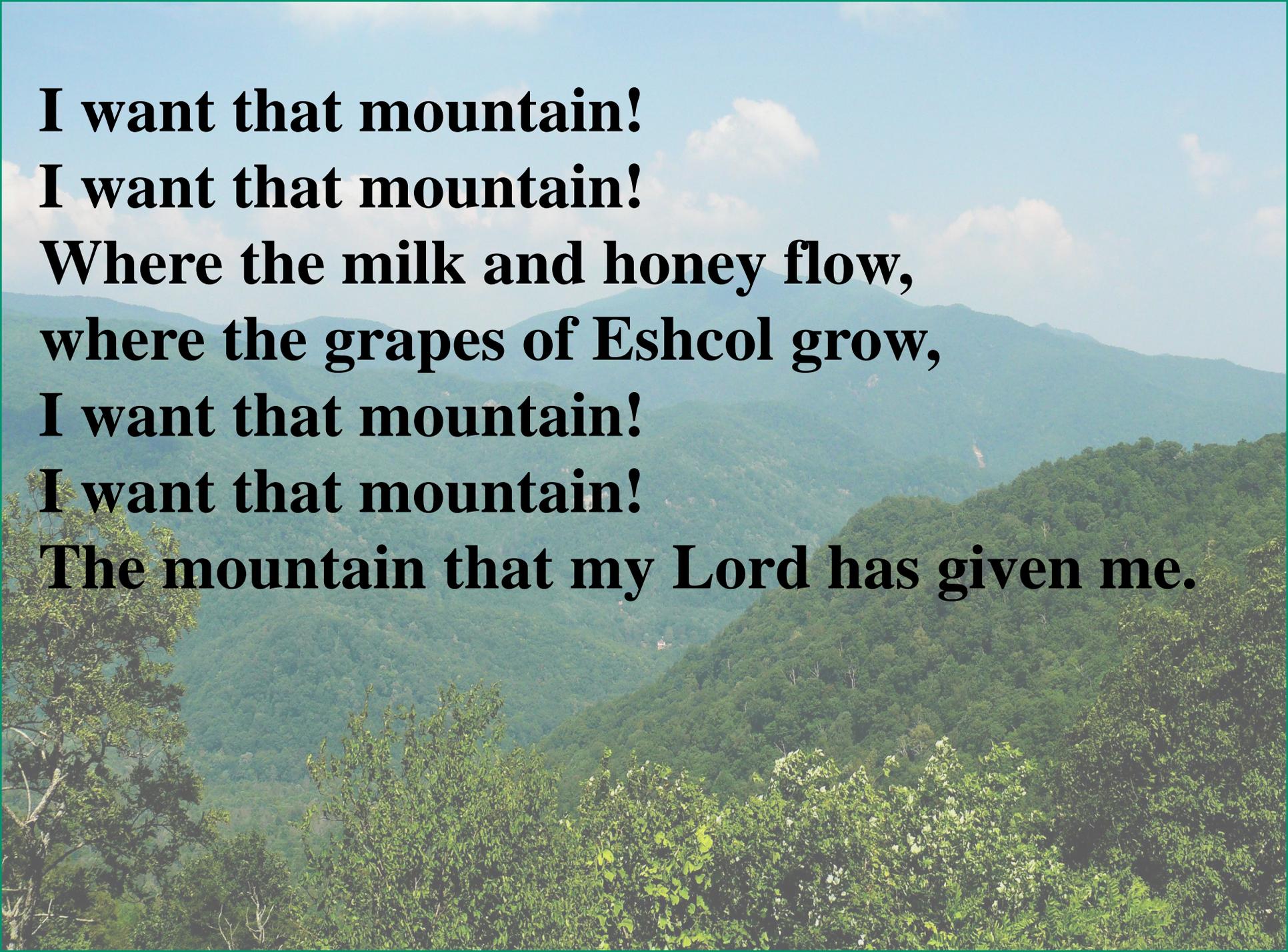
**There was a Giant of Laziness  
who said I wouldn't go  
And witness for the One who set me free.  
I'll come from out the Wilderness,  
I'll witness now I know;  
I want that mountain, it belongs to me!**



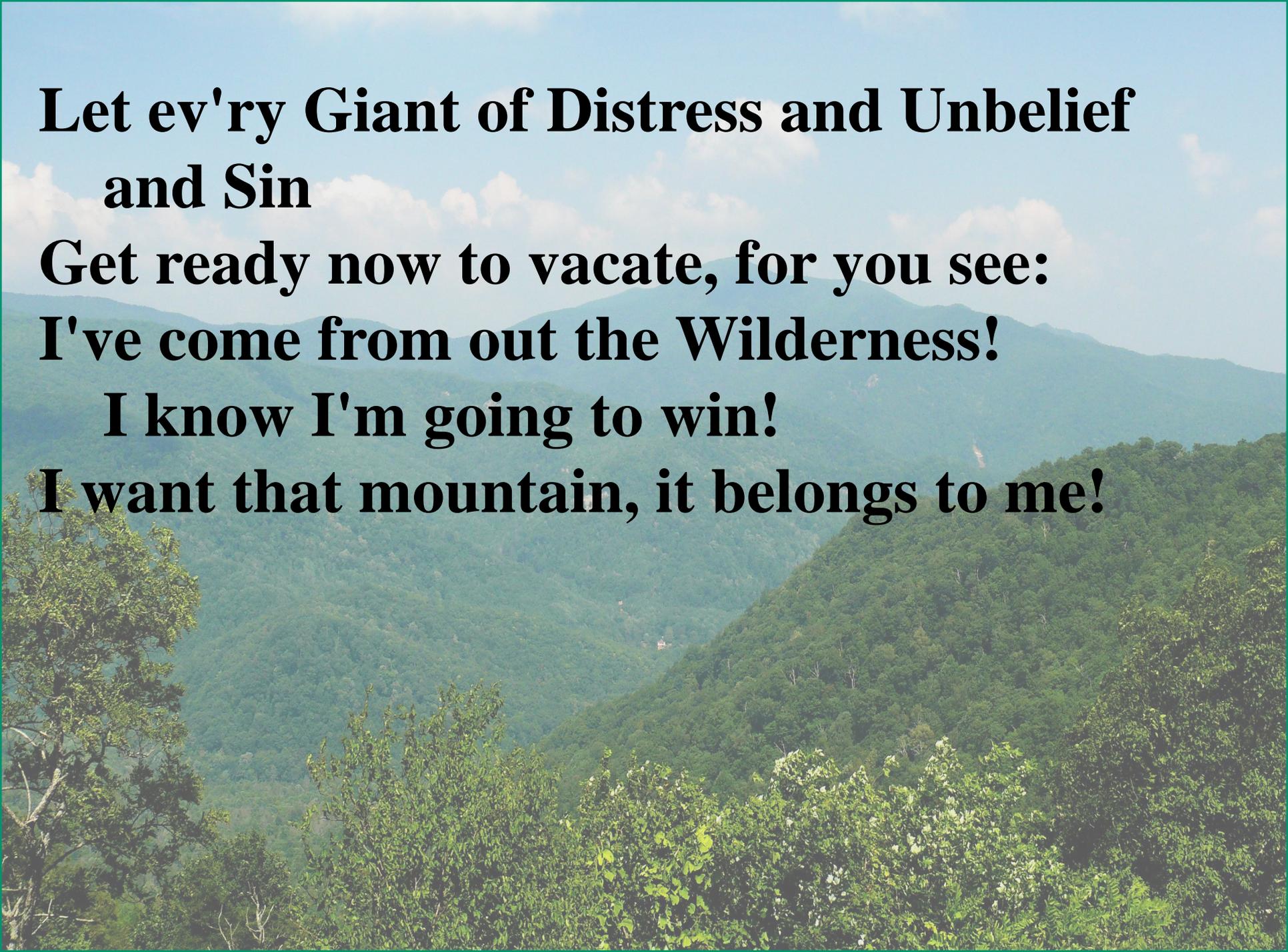
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**One faithless Giant upon the crest  
of Hebron's lofty height  
Has vowed that he's the one to make me flee.  
I'll climb from out the Wilderness!  
and trust Jehovah's might!  
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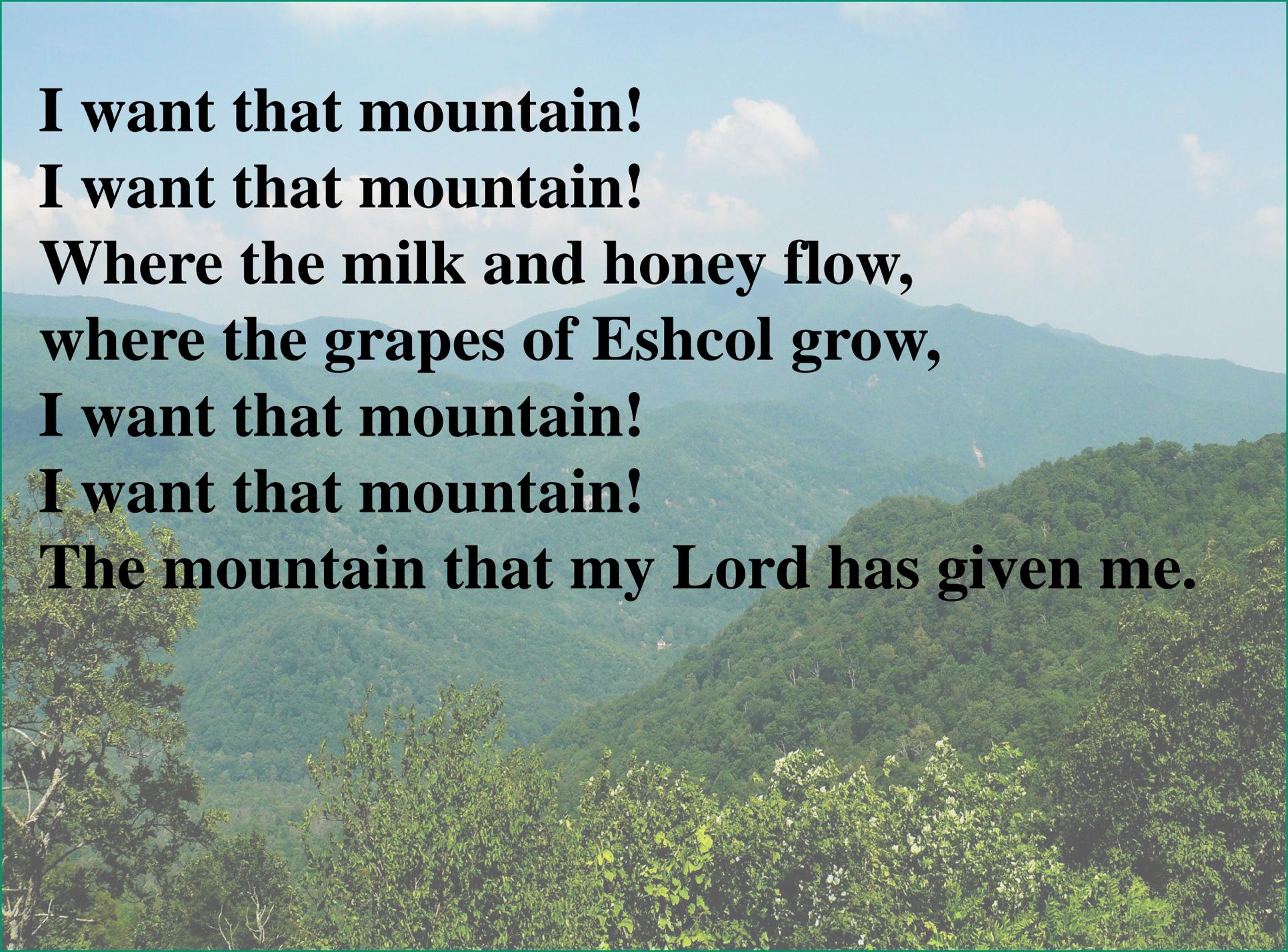


**Let ev'ry Giant of Distress and Unbelief  
and Sin**

**Get ready now to vacate, for you see:  
I've come from out the Wilderness!**

**I know I'm going to win!**

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