

HEIGHTS AND ELEVATIONS

When you think of heights (or elevations), what comes to mind? In keeping with the previous writing, "About Terrain", heights and elevations describe some of the features of terrain (or Topography); like rivers and roads, "Heights and Elevations" must be considered in our journey.

Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell produced the famous R&B song (Motown), "Aint' No Mountain High Enough"; and was featured in the movie, *Remember the Titans*. As I thought of those "mountains to climb" – as the figurative challenges of life – the song (and movie) came to mind. The basic theme of the song (if you don't happen to know), is that the one will "be there" for other and, together, they can accomplish any height...or any depth.

To draw from the previous writing again, the images display in this video game would include "the high ground" of which an advantage could be gained if the high ground is taken – or is occupied; further, if the troops are "dug-in" or well fortified on the high ground, they have still more advantageous or **strength**.

Speaking of strength and elevations, the Psalmist said (in chapter 121):

I look up to the mountains; does my strength come from mountains? No, my strength comes from God, who made heaven, and earth, and mountains.

To go back in this great book (Psalm), **the writer recognizes that this "Holy Mountain" of God is indeed his source of strength.**

In chapter 99, he acknowledges:

"Strong King, lover of justice, you laid things out fair and square"; and continues with the advice or instruction to "Lift high God, our God; worship at his holy mountain. Holy. Yes, holy is God our God."

The Psalmist recognizes that though mountains (earthly heights and elevations) are majestic and can be marveled; **yet, these mountains can literally be moved by God.** For God, "no mountain is high enough to



keep Him from loving you”; for God made the mountains in the first place. Like the R&B song, God is surely there; but you must “Lift high God” – from where eternal advantageous and strength reside. Once you arrive at that height and elevation, “dig-in”.