

## JUST PUSH

A man was sleeping at night in his cabin when suddenly his room filled with light and the Savior appeared. The Lord told the man he had work for him to do, and showed him a large rock in front of his cabin. The Lord explained that the man was to push against the rock with all his might. This the man did, day after day. For many years he toiled from sun up to sun down, his shoulders set squarely against the cold, massive surface of the rock, pushing with all his might. Each night the man returned to his cabin sore and worn out, feeling like his whole day had been spent in vain.

Seeing that the man was showing signs of discouragement, the Adversary decided to enter the picture by placing thoughts into the man's weary mind: "You have been pushing against that rock for a long time, and it hasn't budged. You will never move it." These thoughts discouraged the man. He thought to himself, 'Why kill myself over this? I'll just put in my time, give the minimum effort and that will be good enough.' And that is what he planned to do until one day he decided to make it a matter of prayer. "Lord" he said, "I have labored long and hard in your service, using all my strength to do what you asked. Yet, after all this time, I have not budged that rock by half a millimeter. What is wrong? Why am I failing?"

The Lord gave a "My friend, when and you accepted, to push against your strength, done. Never once expected you to was to push. And



me, with your strength spent, thinking that you have failed. But, is that really so? Look at yourself. Your arms are strong and muscled, your back robust and brown, your hands are callused from constant pressure, and your legs have become massive and hard. Through opposition you have grown much and your abilities now surpass those you used to have. Yes, you haven't moved the rock. But your calling was to be obedient--to exercise your faith and trust in my wisdom by pushing. This you have done. "I, my friend, will now move the rock."

reassuring response: I asked you to serve I said your task was the rock with all which you have did I say that I move it. Your task now you come to

When the bills are due and your money runs short, just push!  
When sickness is draining your strength and stealing your sleep, just push!  
When people are downright rude, just push!  
When everything seems to go wrong on the same day, just push!

P.U.S.H = **P**ray **U**ntil **S**omething **H**appens!

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