

Sister's Spin

Illinois is not known for its hills and mountains, though there are some places where one could do some good climbing. Climbing hills and mountains, they tell me, is good exercise, so it leads one to think about all the hills and mountains mentioned in the Old and New Testament. There was Mt. Moriah, Mt. Sinai, Mt. Ararat, Mt. Nebo of Old Testament fame, and then, Mt. Tabor, the Mount of Olives, the mount of the Sermon on the Mount, and of course, Calvary, of the New Testament. These hills and mountains bring to mind those who climbed them--Moses, Abraham, Noah, Peter, James, John, and of course, Jesus. Exercise was not on their minds as they climbed these mountains and hills, but in most cases, a search for God and to be closer to God. Sometimes there were slips and falls that caused the climber to perhaps try a different path or to rest before climbing higher, but one thing was sure, when reaching the top, the view was great! Moses saw the Promised Land, Peter, James and John saw the transfigured Lord, and Jesus, on the Mount of Olives saw the way home to heaven. Everyone has their own little or big mountains to climb each day. Some days are easier than others, and sometimes it is best to climb with a companion. But no matter how one climbs, one is assured that the view at the top is always a great one. Keep climbing and enjoy the view!

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