

Goldstone Church

Small Group Questions

Mark 9:2-10

For Starting

- If you could travel anywhere, where would you go? Why?
- What do you value most in relationships with others?
- What does the word “transfiguration” suggest to you?
- If you could take anyone in the world to meet Jesus personally, who would you take and why?

For Reviewing

- Where was Jesus transfigured (v.2)?
- What colour did Jesus' clothes become (v.3)?
- Who were talking with Jesus (v.4)?
- How many shelters did Peter want to build (v.5)? Why?
- Describe how Peter was feeling (v.6).
- What happened when the cloud surrounded the group (v.7)? What was said and by whom?
- What did Jesus tell the disciples to say about the events they had witnessed (v.9)? When would be the proper time?

For Discussion

- What is significant about Jesus becoming “dazzling white” (v.3)? See Dan 7:9; Luke 24:4; Acts 1:10; Rev 20:11
- Moses represents the Law (Ex 34:1-2), and Elijah represents the Prophets (1 Kings 19:8-9). What is the significance of these 2 men appearing with Jesus? (See Matt 5:17)
- Compare how Jesus is described in v. 7 with what is said in Mark 1:11. What words are the same? What are different?
- “*The transfiguration gives further testimony to Jesus’ identity as the Messiah, the Son of the Living God.*” Do you agree/disagree? Why
- Why didn’t the disciples understand the prophecies that the Messiah would have to suffer?
- How did Jesus comfort / encourage His disciples? How does Jesus comfort / encourage you today?
- You could end by reading together Mark 9:7.

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The Transfiguration

² After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

⁷ Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!”

⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what “rising from the dead” meant.