

Transfigured | Matthew 17

Additional reading: Mark 9:1-32, Luke 9:28-45

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Transfiguration: a complete change of form or appearance into a more beautiful or spiritual state

Transformation: a thorough or dramatic change in form or appearance.

1. RECOGNIZE JESUS' DIVINE GLORY. (Matt 17: 1-8)

- The transfiguration of Jesus unveils the presence of God and reveals Jesus' divine glory.
- The transfiguration of Jesus reveals the Word of God and confirms that Jesus speaks the Word of God.
- The transfiguration reveals there is no one but Jesus.

2. JESUS IS THE FINAL AND ULTIMATE WORD (Matt 17:9-13)

3. JESUS IS THE SOURCE OF OUR FAITH (Matt 17:14-23)

<p>So Little Faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimizes God and magnifies the problem• Makes ME and my resources the source of the solution• Causes us to be overwhelmed by the problem	<p>Effective Faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is a focused faith• Acknowledges God's power in our lives• Has the confidence that you can do what God calls you to do.• Knows "it" will be accomplished through God's power and our obedience to His word.
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Hebrews 12:2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

4. JESUS' TRANSFIGURATION DEMANDS OUR TRANSFORMATION

- We have a changed worldview
- We live in obedience
- We are fearless
- We are focused on Jesus
- We are dependent on Jesus
- We live sacrificially

Discussion Questions:

1. What was revealed to you as you studied Matthew 17 and listened to today's lesson?
2. What do you understand about the divine glory of Jesus Christ? How does fully understanding His divine glory impact your response to Christ?
3. In what ways have you been transformed by Christ? How has your worldview changed? What areas of your life are still under "construction" in this area?
4. Compare a time in your life of effective faith and a time in your life of "so little" faith. What did God reveal to you in those two moments in your life?
5. It is to our benefit to listen to God as our future is uncertain. Where in your life do you need to hear more from God and less from the world?