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"And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." II Corinthians 3:18

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Go Deeper
Matthew 17:1-13 Luke 9:28-36
Psalm 19:1-4
Romans 1:20
Romans 12:1-2
John 17:20-22
I Corinthians 15:35-58
II Corinthians 3:18
Colossians 1:27

Gospel of Mark: A Glimpse of Glory

Questions based on Sermon from March 10, 2024

Getting to Know Me

- 1. What experience in life has most surprised you?
- 2. When was a time that it was very difficult to keep a secret? What was it like to finally be able to share it?

Digging Deeper

- 3. What most resonated with you from Pastor Ken's sermon on Sunday? What questions came up for you?
- 4. Read Mark 9:2-10 as well as Luke 9:28-36 for a parallel telling of this experience.
 - Picture yourself there on the mountaintop with Jesus, Moses and Elijah. What would you be thinking and feeling?
 - Why do you think Jesus' transfiguration occurred at this particular time during his earthly ministry?
 - Why do you think Jesus brought his three closest disciples?
- Luke 9:31 says that Jesus, Elijah and Moses were speaking "about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem." In light of Jesus 'calling his shot' in Mark 8, 9, and 10, how much do you think Jesus understood all that 'his departure' would entail and how do you think he felt about it?
- 6. Share about a time that you were in distress and God sent someone to be with you at the perfect time.

- 7. Ken mentioned four things we can learn from this supernatural occurrence of the transfiguration. Pick one of the following questions to share on with your group:
 - What in nature inexplicably speaks to you of God's glory?
 - What lengths has God gone to in order to prepare you or see you through a difficult time?
 - What scriptures give us the assurance of a coming glory?
 - In what way does this account of the transfiguration strengthen your faith?
- 8. Read Jesus' prayer for us in John 17:20-22. How does it feel when you realize that Jesus has given us the glory that God the Father gave him so that we may be one as they are one?

Bringing it Home

- 9. Read I Corinthians 15:35-58 together. What do you learn here about the promise of a resurrected body that will be raised in glory? What feelings & thoughts does future glory invoke?
- 10. Last week Pastor Phil asked us to think of someone who may not know Jesus that we could start a conversation with. In what ways do you think that person can see God's transformation in you?
- 11. Read Romans 12:1-2 and II Corinthians 3:18. How are you experiencing this transformation in your life? How do you want God to continue transforming you in new ways this week?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank you for recording for us Jesus' magnificent transfiguration. Thank you for continually building our faith and showing us your glory in so many ways. Help us to live godly lives that bring you much glory and demonstrate to the world how you have redeemed us and are transforming us into your likeness with ever-increasing glory. Amen.



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