

Extraordinary Glory Message 9 Joshua J. Masters

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Outline

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. **2 Corinthians 3:18 (NIV)**

A. Introduction

(Matthew 17:1-3; Luke 9:31. C/R: John 17:5; Hebrews 1:3; Revelation 1:16; 21:23)

To be transformed, we must experience

Christ's _____.

B. Experiencing Christ's glory...

1. Requires ______. (Matthew 17:4-6. C/R: Deuteronomy 18:15,18; Isaiah 45:23; Revelation 7:11)

Answers: A. glory B. 1. worship 2. nature 3. promises, plan

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2. Reveals God's _____. (Matthew 17:5-8. C/R: Matthew 11:27; 16:27; John 1:14; Philippians 2:9-11; 2 Peter 1:17)

3. Reaffirms His ______ and _____. (Matthew 17:9-13. C/R: Malachi 4:5-6; Matthew 25:31; John 17:22; 2 Peter 1:16-18; 1 John 3:2)

Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/adults</u>.

Conversation Starter

What incident have you been a part of or witnessed that you'll never forget?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read Matthew 17:1-13.

- 1. Imagine you're on the mountain witnessing this extraordinary event. How do you react? What questions fill your mind?
- 2. After seeing Jesus' face bright like the sun, and hearing a voice from heaven, the disciples were terrified and fell face down on the ground. Have you ever experienced reverence and awe toward Jesus like this? Describe what that was like.
- 3. When do you feel most worshipful?
- 4. Have you ever had an experience with God that was undeniable? What happened? How might remembering that time strengthen your faith?
- 5. This glimpse of Jesus in the transfiguration reminds us that this world is not our final home (see also Revelation 21-22). What stirs in your heart as you consider this? How might this impact your daily life?
- 6. God the Father seems to have the final word in this passage saying *listen to Him* (Jesus). How can listening to Jesus become an act of worship?
- 7. Describe a time you felt God's presence and it changed you.

- 8. The disciples didn't recognize John the Baptist as fulfilling the role of Elijah because John didn't do what they expected. It was only after they looked back that they understood. When have you seen more clearly what God was doing in your life when you looked back?
- 9. Eventually, the disciples had to come back down the mountain. What are ways you can bring intimate times with God into your everyday life?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is something we can do to help us live in and enjoy God's grace. We hope these practices become a regular part of your life so that walking and talking with God is the most natural thing you do.

Find a quiet place and read slowly through Revelation chapters 4 and 5. Pay close attention to the details. Try to imagine yourself in the scene. Allow yourself to be open and available to God. Ask Him to draw you into His presence and reveal Himself in whatever way He wants. Notice what rises up in you as you read. Focus on God's radiant glory and respond to Him in prayer.

Memory Verse

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Daily Reading

Day 1:	John 17:1-5	Day 4:	1 John 1:1-4
Day 2:	Hebrews 1:1-4	Day 5:	2 Peter 1:16-21
Day 3:	Philippians 2:6-11		

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, August 28, we'll continue our series titled *extraORDINARY*. To prepare, read **John 13:1-17**.



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