

A Glimpse of Glory

Matthew 17:1-13

I. The NEED for a Glimpse - 16:24-25

II. The GLORY in a Glimpse - 17:1-3

Six days later Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up on a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light.

Matthew 17:1-2

III. The PURPOSE of a Glimpse - 17:4-6

IV. The POWER of a Glimpse - 17:7-13

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!”

Matthew 17:5

Life Group Study Questions

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1. Have you ever been surprised to discover someone had a hidden skill or ability? Describe this moment and how it changed your estimation of the person.

2. How does the high and hard calling of the believer require regular glimpses into the glory of Christ? Give an illustration of this from your own life.

3. What does it mean that Jesus' "face shown like the sun" and His clothes were "white as light?" What is happening here?

4. How do we know that this left a lasting impact on the disciples? (Jn. 1:14)

5. What is the connection between Moses, Elijah and their discussion with Jesus about His upcoming death? (Lk. 9) Who is Jesus in relationship to the O.T. Law and Prophets?

6. When we encounter God's glory, we often miss the point. How did Peter miss what Jesus was showing him? How do we treat God's glory as an escape rather than motivation for continued obedience?

7. When the Father says, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I AM well pleased," He is, in fact, saying this is the One who you should listen to, follow, trust, and obey. Why do we need this reminder?

8. Seeing God's glory should reorientate you back to trust God of Christ's plan. Keep obeying in the hard and trust God to bring it to a glorious conclusion! Are you struggling with the plan? When was the last time you saw God's glory in your own life?

9. Seeing God's glory leads you to the next question or struggle you need to unpack. The disciples still had questions and were able to ask Christ, "What about Elijah?" You may not be asking or trusting Christ with your questions because you're not seeing His glory. How can you get back into the Word this week?