

Luke 9:28-36 – Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”--not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

The Transfiguration does three things:

1) It clarifies Jesus’ _____ – especially his _____,
Isaiah 42:1 – “Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.”

Luke 3:22 – [A]nd the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Luke 9:18-20 – Once when Jesus was praying alone, with only the disciples near him, he asked them, “Who do the crowds say that I am?” ¹⁹They answered, “John the Baptist; but others, Elijah; and still others, that one of the ancient prophets has arisen.” ²⁰He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered, “The Messiah of God.”

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2) it foreshadows his _____ to heaven, and
Exodus 24:15-18 – Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Luke 9:51 – When the days drew near for him to be taken up, [Jesus] set his face to go to Jerusalem.

Luke 21:27 – Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

Acts 1:8-9 – “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

3) it continues the _____ of Jesus’ disciples.

Luke 9:36 – When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And [the disciples] kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Faithfulness is not achieved by freezing a moment but by following on in confidence that God is leading and what lies ahead is even greater than what we have already experienced.

Scripture Readings:

Mon	Numbers 20-22; Mark 7:1-13	Fri	Num 32-34; Mark 9:30-50
Tues	Num 23-25; Mark 7:14-37	Sat	Num 35-36; Mark 10:1-31
Wed	Num 26-28; Mark 8	Sun	Deuteronomy 1-3;
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