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NOTES

Matthew 17.1-13

HE MUST SUFFER

Matthew 17.1-13 // Revelation 1.12-18

The word "transfigured" is the same word for "transformed." What was happening here to Jesus is that His outer image was being transformed to expose His inner image. Moses was covered so that he could see just a part of God's glory. But when the Son of God became a Man, He is the One who was "covered up" in human flesh so that the whole world could behold the glory of God in the Person of Jesus Christ.

Moses reflected the glory of God, and he represents the Law, God's written Word. **Elijah** proclaimed the glory of God, as he represents the prophets, God's spoken Word.

But Jesus neither reflects nor simply proclaims the glory of God, He IS the glory of God!

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2 Corinthians 3.18, 4.4-6 // 1 John 3.2

Last week we saw that Peter was a much different person in the beginning of his ministry and the end of his ministry. He would rebuke Jesus' talking of suffering, but later would encourage the church that this is what they are called to. From this point forward, Peter not only has his eyes spiritually opened, but he also now is beginning to see the glory of Christ more plainly.

> We "do" according to what we really believe. No one does anything *not* based on their true beliefs.

Reporters tell a story based on what they are told happened. **Witnesses** actually have seen what happened.

We are called "witnesses," because we (should) have actually witnessed the power of Christ in our life. That proof of this witnessing of Christ is evidenced in our life by our actions. For us to be truly transformed and have a life of real freedom from sin and a life of righteousness, we must first witness the glory of Christ.

2 Peter 1.3, 4 // 1 John 3.2



Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan.**

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green Connection Card on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a Green Shirt at the Connection Booth outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information.

Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids** on Mission classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. By giving your time and talent on Sundays, you're an essential part of helping others meet Jesus, and serving is one of the most fun & rewarding ways we experience community with our church family! Fill out a connection card or visit the Connection Booth to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth.** You won't regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call Life Mission your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns – 5th grade**. Please visit **lifemissionchurch.com/blog/kids** to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum.

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

Our **High School students** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. For questions on our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at **hbarnes5@yahoo.com**.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read Matthew 17:1-13. What stuck out to you the most in these verses or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday?

Why was it that Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus? What do each of these men represent?

In pertaining to God's glory, how is the way Jesus display God's glory different than the way Moses or Elijah displayed God's glory?

Re-read verse 6 and 7 and Psalms 2:11. What do Peter, James and John do when they see the transformation of Jesus? What is Jesus' response?

Read 2 Corinthians 3:18 and 2 Corinthians 4:4-6. What's the difference between a reporter and a witness? Which one do you act more like with sharing your faith or talking about God with others?

Read Hebrews 1:3, Colossians 1:15 and Colossians 2:9. On Sunday, Jobey mentioned that "we become what we behold." What exactly have you been beholding the past few weeks? The beauty of Jesus or something else? If not Jesus, what or who have you been hanging out with? Have you truly seen Jesus for who He really is?

Spend some time in prayer using the P.R.A.Y. model. PREACH the Gospel reminding one another of the beauty of Jesus, and satisfies all needs, wants and desires. Confess and repent of not believing this truth and instead of often "hanging out" with other false gods. Then ASK for the Holy Spirit, who is your Helper and with you to point you to God's Grace. Ask Him to help you turn to prayer more, the Word more and your Gospel-centered friends. Last YIELD, with thanksgiving.



Making Disciples Who Make Disciples Locally and Globally, Who are Saved, Equipped, and Sent by the Gospel.



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