

SERMON GUIDE

Mount Metamorphosis

Matthew 17:1-8 with Mark 9:1-8 (ESV)

Main Idea: The Transfiguration shows that spiritual change is intentional, begins with God, and is ultimately centered in Christ. It also previews the kingdom glory Jesus promised in Mark 9:1.

Mark 9 Connection

The mountain scene is a preview of the kingdom of God coming with _____.

I. Jesus was intentional about making disciples. (Matt. 17:1; Mark 9:1)

Jesus intentionally took Peter, James, and John up the mountain.

Discipleship requires intentional _____.

- A. Invest in someone.
- B. Use discernment in your investment.

Personal note: Who am I intentionally helping follow Christ?

II. Jesus was dependent on God's help to make disciples. (Matt. 17:2-4; Mark 9:2-6)

Jesus was transfigured before them - His glory was not created, but _____.

Mark 9:1 is connected to this moment because the disciples saw the King in His _____.

- A. Trust in His power.
- B. Rejoice in His provision.

Why does this matter for my growth?

Key Truths to Listen For

- Spiritual growth is not accidental.
- Christ does not become glorious on the mountain; His glory is revealed.
- The kingdom cannot be separated from the King.

III. Jesus was exalted as the primary source for lasting change in the disciple-making process. (Matt. 17:5-8; Mark 9:7-8)

The Father said, “This is my beloved Son ... listen to _____.

A. Listen to Him.

B. Find comfort in Him.

When the fear settled, the disciples saw “Jesus _____.

1. Be intentional

Who can I disciple or encourage this week?

2. Trust God

Where do I need to depend on God’s power instead of my own?

3. See Christ as central

How does this passage show that all Scripture points to Jesus?

4. Listen to Jesus

Which competing voice do I need to silence?

5. Take comfort in Christ

What fear do I need to bring to Christ today?

Response / Prayer

Lord, help me to see the glory of Christ, listen to His voice, and follow Him with faith and obedience.

Message Notes