





# **A Glimpse of His Glory**

**Mark 9:1-9**

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**9:1** *And Jesus was saying to them, “Truly I say to you, there are some of those who are standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.”*

- A timestamp for the coming of His Kingdom
- A promise of the power of His Kingdom
- Fulfilled and demonstrated at Pentecost
  - Acts 2:1-21

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*2 Six days later, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John, and brought them up on a high mountain by themselves...*

- The “inner circle”
  - From the beginning... healing of Jairus’ daughter (5:37)
  - To the end... in the garden of Gethsemane (14:33)
- Chosen witnesses
  - EVERY FACT IS TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE TESTIMONY OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES (2 Cor. 13:1; Deut. 17:6; 19:15; Heb. 10:28)

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*And He was transfigured before them; 3 and His garments became radiant and exceedingly white, as no launderer on earth can whiten them.*

- *Transfigured – “a change in form”*
  - *“the appearance of His face became different” (Luke 9:29)*
  - *“His face shone like the sun” (Matt. 17:2)*

## **JESUS IS GLORIFIED IN HIS APPEARANCE**

- *“and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father...” (John 1:14)*

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**4** *Elijah appeared to them along with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus.*

- The Law and the Prophets embodied
  - Represents God's authoritative communication with man
- The Law Giver and Prophet "*appearing in glory*" (Lk. 9:31)
  - A preview of His resurrection
  - "*and spake of his decease [departure] which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.*"

**JESUS IS GLORIFIED BY THEIR PRESENCE**

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**5** *Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three tabernacles, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”*

- **Good?**

- They had seen Jesus transformed!
- They had seen Moses and Elijah!
- Jesus had been “elevated” in their sight
- And they wanted to do “something” ...

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**6** *For he did not know what to answer; for they became terrified*

- ... they just didn't know what
- And who can blame them?



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*7 Then a cloud formed, overshadowing them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!"*

## **JESUS IS GLORIFIED BY THE FATHER**

- The time has come to honor My Son above Moses and Elijah!
- Jesus succeeds, supplants and replaces Moses and the Law, and Elijah and the Prophets!
  - Heb. 1:1-3

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**8** *All at once they looked around and saw no one with them anymore, except Jesus alone.*

## **JESUS IS GLORIFIED BY THEIR ABSENCE**

- His importance demonstrated by the presence of Moses and Elijah is emphasized by their removal
  - He has replaced them
  - A clear line is drawn
- Jesus has all authority (Mt. 28:18)

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**9** *As they were coming down from the mountain, He gave them orders not to relate to anyone what they had seen, until the Son of Man rose from the dead.*

**THIS WAS A FORETASTE OF HIS GLORY TO COME!**

- *“Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into His glory?”* (Luke 24:26)
- And, that’ll preach
  - Acts 2:32-36

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We are not following a fable

- *We have not depended on made-up stories* (GNT)
- *We did not follow cleverly contrived myths* (HSCB)
- *We did not follow cunningly devised tales* (NHEB)
- *We were not eagerly following cleverly devised legends*  
(Weymouth New Testament)

We have eyewitness testimony

- 2 Pet. 1:16-18

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We can share in His glory...

... if we will respond to the gospel.

*“To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

(2 Thess. 2:14)

