

**Sermon: The Glorious Christ.**  
**Series: Luke: The Good News for Everyone.**

**Scripture: Luke 9:28-3.**  
**Date: October 6, 2024**

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**OBSERVATION** -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

**INTERPRETATION** -- Answer these questions together:

**1. What does this passage teach us about God?**

a) What does this passage reveal to us about God? Specifically, the Trinity and the deity of Jesus? (Hint: think through what the Father says to Jesus, and also the ways that the transfiguration of Christ is similar to what happened on Mount Sinai – see Exodus 34:5-8 and 29-33)

**2. What does this passage teach us about us?**

a) Read verse 35. The disciples see Jesus glory and now they must listen to Jesus. Other than Jesus, what glories do you chase after (career, education, athletics, body image, romance, performance)? What other voices do you listen to and obey the most? (news media, entertainment, politicians, scholars, science, TV preachers, spouse, your critics)?

**3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?**

a) Moses and Elijah represent the Old Testament law and prophets. Think together: In what ways has Jesus, his life, death, and resurrection, fulfilled the law and the prophets?

b) When Peter saw the transfiguration he suggested staying and making three tents, one each for Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. In what ways was his response flawed concerning who Jesus is?

c) Peter and the disciples still can't see that the cross is the glory of Christ. Do you? In what ways is the cross glorious? Hint: In Exodus 33 God called his glory his goodness. How does the cross alone reveal the full goodness of God's nature and character?

**APPLICATION**

a) Read 2 Corinthians 3:18. This verse uses the same word as "transfiguration" found in Matthew 17:2. Like Jesus, we too, are transformed/transfigured. But we have to behold the glory of the Lord. How does a Christian "behold the glory of the Lord?" What role does the word of God play in this?

b) Stay in 2 Cor. 3:18. Jesus' transformation was instant, but ours is slow over time (we "are being transformed" – ongoing). Where can you see yourself being transformed into the image of Christ? (How you handle criticism? Suffering? Failure? How you feel peace? Joy? Love for others?)

**PRAYER**

- Thank God for sending his Son to share his glory with us.
- Confess ways that you have chased lesser glories and listened to voices other than Christ's.
- Thank Jesus for the glory of his cross that saves us and teaches us to live a life of sacrificial love.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to behold the glory of Christ in his word.