

LESSONS FOR LAMBS

WEEK OF TRANSFIGURATION

The color for the Week of Transfiguration is White.



Transfiguration

Elijah

James

sun

tents

Son

loyal

Jesus

Peter

John

clothes

voice

vision

church

Moses

mountain

face

white

beloved

disciple



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What to listen for during the service?

Listen for the Old Testament reading. What does Moses bring down to the people? What did Moses look like? Why?

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-9

(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)

1 And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. 3 And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." 5 He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." 8 And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

9 And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

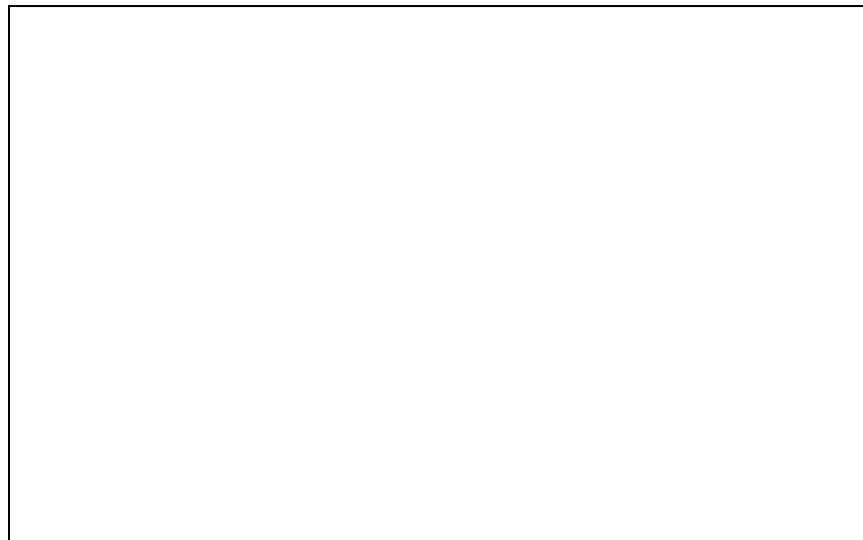
Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) Who did Jesus take with him up the high mountain?
- 2) What does it say happened to Jesus when He was "transfigured"? What does that word mean?
- 3) Who else appeared to them and was talking with Jesus? What do they represent? (Look at Luke 24:43)
- 4) What does the transfiguration tell us about Jesus? Is He God?
- 5) Who was the "voice from the cloud"? When else do we hear similar words from this "voice"? (Look at Matthew 3:17)

People of the Bible: Peter

In the Gospel reading we hear about Peter. But who was Peter? Peter was a disciple of Jesus. We hear about him more than any other disciple in the Gospels. Peter was very loyal to Jesus and excited to serve Him. Sometimes Peter was too excited and tried to do things his own way instead of following Jesus, so Jesus had to scold him. Even though Peter sometimes messed things up, Jesus still loved Peter and forgave him. Peter was a leader and God used him to build the Church and spread the Gospel to all people.

Draw a picture of Jesus on the mountain with Moses and Elijah



Catechism Corner

The Ninth Commandment

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house.

What does this mean? Answer:

We should fear and love God that we may not craftily seek to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, nor obtain it by a show of right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

HYMN – "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

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| 1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light. | 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old. |
| 3 Fulfiller of the past
And hope of things to be,
We hail Thy body glorified
And our redemption see. | 4 Before we taste of death,
We see Thy kingdom come;
We long to hold the vision bright
And make this hill our home. |
| 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount,
Come with us to the plain. | |