

# Second Sunday of Lent

## Gospel – Adapted from Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John up a high mountain by themselves, and he was transfigured before them. His clothes became sparkling white, brighter than anyone on earth could make them. Then Moses and Elijah appeared, and they were talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” They were so terrified, he hardly knew what to say. Then a cloud came and covered them. A voice came out of the cloud, which said, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Then, looking around, they saw no one there but Jesus with them.



As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus told them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept it quiet, but they wondered what rising from the dead meant.

## Reflection

In this event, called the Transfiguration, Jesus helps some of His Apostles see more about who He really is. Jesus is God and human. Everyone who knew Him could see that He was human. He had eyes, ears, arms, legs, everything that all people have. But people needed faith to recognize that He is God. They had to pay attention, listen to Him, and believe in Him. At the Transfiguration, the divinity of Jesus shone through for His friends to see, and the Father’s voice spoke to them. Jesus reveals Himself to us, too. Perhaps we have had an experience as dramatic as the Transfiguration, but most likely, Jesus

is asking us to do what the rest of His followers had to do – to pay attention, to listen, and to believe.

God is always loving us, and constantly revealing Himself to us, but usually in ways that require us to pay attention to see Him. That's how we grow as a person of faith. During this Lent, let us focus on paying attention to Jesus, and recognizing all the ways He shows Himself to us.



## Discussion Questions

What are some ways God has revealed Himself to you?

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What things sometimes distract you from giving God the attention you should?

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## Vocabulary

- **Divinity** - Refers to God. Jesus's divinity means that He is God.
- **Elijah** - A great Old Testament prophet. His name came to stand for all the Old Testament prophets.
- **Moses** - The man who led the Jewish people out of slavery in Egypt, and who received the Law from God.
- **Transfiguration** - The event in today's Gospel: Jesus's form was changed before the Apostles, and His divinity seemed to shine through His Body.

## Fill in the blanks

- 1 At the \_\_\_\_\_, the three Apostles saw wonderful things that helped them understand more about Jesus.
- 2 God gave the Ten Commandments to \_\_\_\_\_.

**3** \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the prophets who led the Jewish people to follow God more faithfully.

**4** Jesus is both God and Man; He has both \_\_\_\_\_ and humanity.

## Quiz

**1** Who appeared with Jesus on the mountain?

- A** Moses and Elijah
- B** Joseph and Mary
- C** Abraham and Isaac
- D** Moses and Abraham

**2** What did the Voice on the mountain come from?

- A** Fire
- B** An earthquake
- C** A cloud
- D** Angels

**3** True/False: Jesus is both God and human.

- A** True
- B** False

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DIVINITY

ELIJAH

JESUS

MOSES

PETER

TRANSFIGURATION

### Answers:

#### Fill in the blanks

- 1** Transfiguration
- 2** Moses
- 3** Elijah
- 4** Divinity

#### Quiz

- 1** A – Moses and Elijah
- 2** C – A cloud
- 3** A – True



