



**WEST
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Week 4

Series: Equipped

Sermon Title: The Message Confirmed

Sermon Text: Luke 9:28-36

Group Week of: March 3, 2024

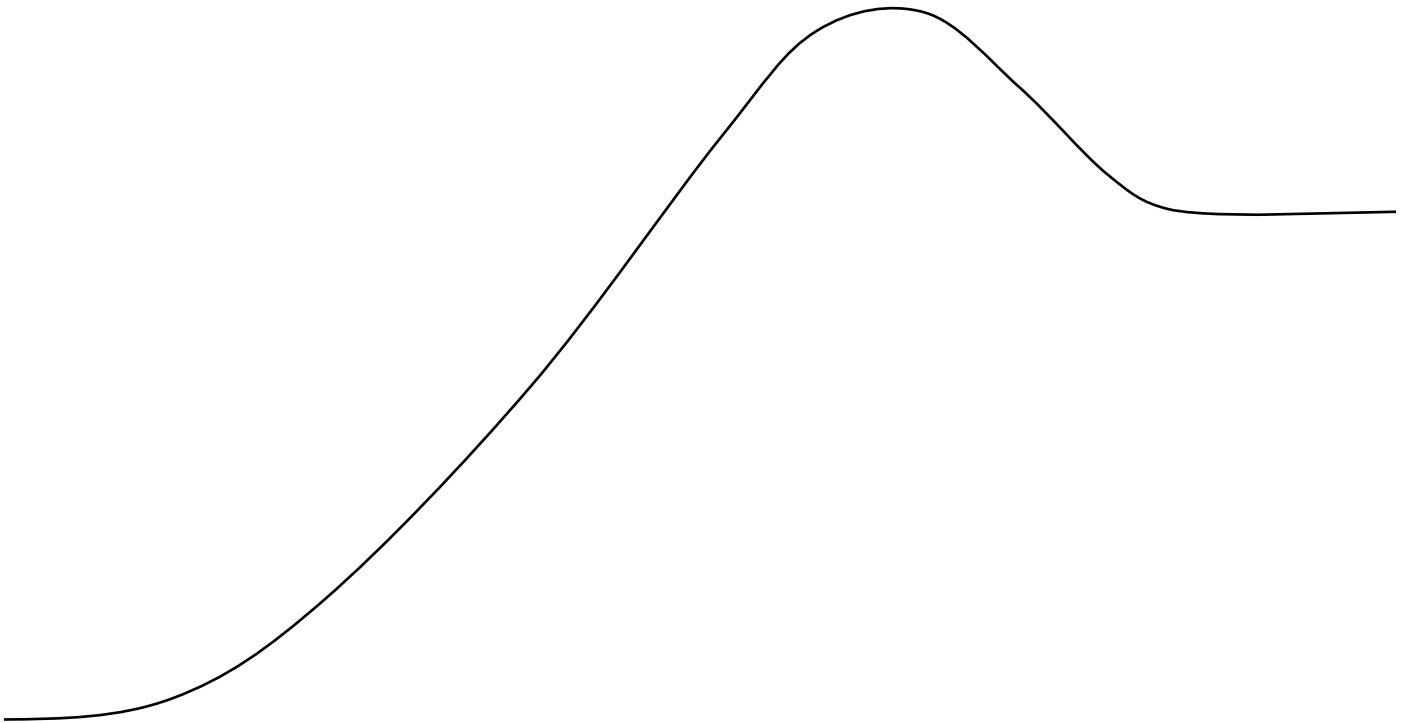
Sermon Date: March 10, 2024

Scriptures for Additional Daily Studies

Day 1	Mark's Account – Mark 9:2-13
Day 2	Passover – Exodus 12:1-30
Day 3	The Exodus – Exodus 12:31-42
Day 4	Our Pioneer – Hebrews 12:1-3
Day 5	The Glory of Christ – Revelation 1:12-18

The Text: Luke 9:28-36

- 1) **Read** the text slowly and carefully.
- 2) **Pray** for understanding, insight, and transformation.
- 3) **Fill in the plot arch** by writing down verses in the story as points on the plot line to help show you where the main lessons in the story are.
- 4) **Answer** the interpretive questions at the bottom.



Textual Questions

- 1) What is (are) the main lesson(s) you see Jesus giving to His disciples (and us) through this text?
- 2) How does the transfiguration relate to Jesus sending the disciples out (9:1-9; 10:1-24) and telling them He has come to suffer rejection, death, and be resurrected (9:21-27, 43-50)?
- 3) Why do you think Moses and Elijah are there?

Discussion Guide Questions

- 1) Case Study: Jeff is a seasoned believer. He loves to serve, loves to study the word, and tries to live for the Lord. However, Jeff rarely prays alone. 95% of his prayers are done with other people at church, at life group, or over a meal. He says that God knows what's on his heart. All Jeff wants is for God's will to be done, and God's going to carry out His will anyway. More than all that, if he sits still to pray for more than five minutes, he usually falls asleep, so he says, "what's the point in praying?" How would you counsel Jeff?

- 2) Both on this day and in the Garden of Gethsemane, the disciples will fall asleep while praying. However, looking at the book of Acts, they eventually learn how to pray for long periods of time without sleeping. How can a Christian grow through the problem of a wandering mind or falling asleep during long periods of prayer?

- 3) While they are praying, Jesus becomes radiantly glorious. What do you think is happening here? Please consider reading Daniel 7:9-14 and Revelation 1:12-18. Why is Jesus allowing these men to witness something like this?

- 4) Previously, Peter became a hinderance to the mission when he rebuked Jesus for saying that He was going to suffer, die, and be resurrected three days later. Explain Peter's mistake in your own words, then assess your own life. Where do you unintentionally do what Peter is doing?

- 5) Peter now becomes a hinderance to the mission again by saying that they should stay on the mountain. Again, explain Peter's mistake in your own words, then assess your own life. Where do you unintentionally do what Peter is doing?

- 6) The Father speaks to the disciples and reminds them once again that Jesus is His Son and that they should *listen* to Him. Over the past few weeks of looking at our call to follow Christ and join Him in this mission to bring salvation to the world, have you been *listening* to what He wants you to do? If so, what has He shown you? If not, why?

- 7) A strong proof of Christ is His glory. Spend some time in prayer seeking the glory of Christ by faith. Challenge yourself not to leave until some of His glory has been revealed, then share your reflections.