

# KIDS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 14th February  
"The Transfiguration"

## READ

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John and went up on a high mountain. They were all alone there. While these followers watched, Jesus was changed. His clothes became shining white, whiter than any person could make them. Then two men appeared, talking with Jesus. The men were Moses and



Elijah. Peter said to Jesus, "Teacher, it is good that we are here. We will put three tents here—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." Peter did not know what to say, because he and the others were so frightened. Then a cloud came and covered them. A voice came from the cloud. The voice said, "This is my Son, and I love him. Obey him!" Then Peter, James, and John looked around, but they saw only Jesus there alone with them. As Jesus and his followers were walking back down the mountain, he commanded them, "Don't tell anyone about the things you saw on the mountain. Wait till the Son of Man rises from death. Then you may tell."

Mark 9:2-9 ICB

There was a remarkable transformation in the Gospel story today. In the story, Jesus took a few of His disciples up onto a mountain. Now, these disciples had been hanging around Jesus for a little while. I would think that after seeing Him teach and perform miracles, they had a pretty good idea of who He was. But it's possible they still had some doubts or uncertainties. They may have been hoping for some proof to be sure they were following the right person and truly placing their trust in something genuine. In those days there were often people who pretended to be sent from God, but weren't.

On that mountain, though, the disciples got some amazing proof. Right before their eyes, Jesus changed. His clothes became white, and Elijah and Moses showed up. Then a cloud came over them, and a voice said, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." That had to be pretty clear and obvious. If Peter, James, and John didn't know for sure before, they certainly did then. They heard God announce that Jesus was His son, and command that they listen to Him! That must have been quite an amazing experience.

What about us? We appreciate who Jesus is, and we know that He went to the cross and rose again for us. At the same time, though, sometimes we want proof. Sometimes we wish that we had facts and proof to support our faith. We don't have the experience of hearing God's voice speak out loud, or seeing Jesus in the clouds. We have some great proof all around us, but we also know that we have to trust what the Bible tells us. We want to make sure that our hope is in the right person. In the Bible, Jesus said that we are blessed when we believe in Him without seeing Him with our eyes. Jesus is God's son, and we listen to Him when we read the Bible, pray, and come to church. And we can ask God to help us continue to grow in our faith.



## Pray

Dear God,  
Thank you for the truth of your Word  
Help us to trust in that  
And to keep our faith in you  
Even when we can't feel or see you  
Thank you for taking care of us  
Thank you for Jesus  
Amen!

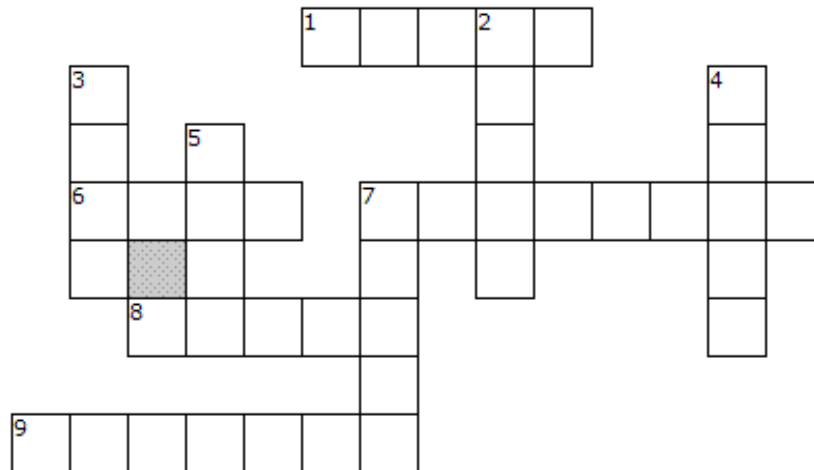


**The Mount of Transfiguration**  
Mark 9:2-9

# On the Mountain Top

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. Mark 9:2

Based on Mark 9:2-9



## ACROSS

1. The sound produced by the vocal organs; what we use to speak
6. Something that is pleasing, enjoyable, or of high quality
7. A raised part of the earth's surface, larger than a hill
8. The Son of God
9. Articles of apparel such as pants, shirts, dresses, etc.

## DOWN

2. A white or gray mass of very small drops of water that floats in the sky
3. Having a great distance from top to bottom
4. The color of snow or milk
5. To have a strong feeling of affection for someone
7. Jewish leader who received the Ten Commandments

CLOTHES	MOUNTAIN	WHITE	LOVE	VOICE
MOSES	CLOUD	JESUS	HIGH	GOOD