

The Life Of Peter

Lesson Five: Peter and the Transfiguration

Lesson Aim: To show Peter, still growing in his understanding of Jesus and his kingdom

Lesson Texts: Matthew 17:1-13; Mark 9:2-13; Luke 9:28-36; 2 Peter 1:16-19

1. Peter at the Transfiguration

- a. *Read Matthew 17:1-13, Mark 9:2-13, and Luke 9:28-36 and harmonize for yourself the order of events*
- b. What was the reason, according to Luke, for Jesus going up the mountain?
- c. From the context of Luke – what might have led Jesus to feel he needed this?
- d. Who did Jesus take with him?
- e. How was Jesus transfigured? What do you think this signifies?
- f. Describe the condition of the apostles before, during and after this event?
- g. Who appeared with Jesus and what does this signify?
- h. What are they discussing with Jesus?
- i. Of the three, who speaks and what does he propose? Why did he say this?
- j. When this was said, what happened to this “spiritual conference?”
- k. What did the disciples immediately hear? What was said?
- l. What effect did this have on the three apostles?

- m. How did Jesus comfort them?
- n. What instructions did Jesus give them about what that they witnessed?
- o. What questions did the disciples have as they descended the mountain?
- p. Where is the Old Testament passage that is the basis of their second question?
- q. How did Jesus respond to this inquiry? (see Luke 1:17 as well)

2. Peter's reflection on the Transfiguration

- a. *Read 2 Peter 1:16-19*
- b. How does Peter describe the transfiguration here?
- c. Did he violate Jesus' command to tell no one about this? Explain.
- d. What does Peter deny about the nature of his reports about the power and coming of the Christ?
- e. What does Peter confess in verse 16?
- f. What did he hear, and where did it come from?
- g. What was the purpose of this statement from heaven?