



The word for “transfiguration” comes from the same Greek root where we get our word “metamorphosis.”

- μεταμορφόομαι:
 - (1) to change the essential form or nature of something—to become, to change, to be changed into, to be transformed.
 - (2) to take on a different physical form or appearance—to change in appearance.
- Paul says that, similarly to Jesus’ transfiguration, we, too, are being transformed if we are His.
 - Romans 12:2 (NASB) And do not be conformed to this world, but **be transformed** by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.
 - 2 Corinthians 3:18 (NASB) But we all, with unveiled faces, looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed** into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.



Memory Verse #36: “If you have _____ the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘_____ from here to there,’ it will _____. _____ will be impossible for you.” (Matt. 17:20).

In His Dust: Talmidim _____ His will _____. “You ask and do not _____, because you ask with the wrong _____.” (James 4:3).

Lesson notes & questions:

Lesson Reflections (review before Apply nights):

- What is at least one new thing I learned about loving God or my neighbor?
- Which topics would I like to know more about or need clarification?
- How does the Holy Spirit want me to apply the lesson’s Scripture to my discipleship?



APPLY!

- Share any “Lesson Reflections” with the group. Recite this lesson’s Memory and In His Dust verses; discuss what they mean to you.
- **Matthew 16:28-17:8 - Divine Glory of the Son**
 - Read the “transformed” verses on page 1. What does it look like to behold Jesus today while He is not physically present?
 - **Read Matthew 17:9-13.** How does the Bible (including this passage and Pastor’s Hebrews study on Sundays) speak to Jesus’ superiority over well-known and well-respected Old Testament Figures?
 - Describe the relationship between Elijah and John the Baptist.
- **Matthew 17:14:21 - Patient Power of the Son: Casting out the Demon**
 - How is Jesus’ patience different from our culture’s idea of tolerance?
 - What would Jesus say about our generation today? How would He assess your faith?
 - Why were the disciples unable to cast out the demon this time, when they recently were able to perform these types of miracles?
 - Does Jesus’ promise that nothing will be impossible mean that God is obligated to give us what we want if we believe with the right quantity of faith? Why or why not?
- **Matthew 17 22:23 - Willing Sacrifice and Certain Victory of the Son: His Mission**
 - Why were they deeply grieved?
 - What about this prediction tells us that He wasn’t a victim?
- **Matthew 17:24-27 - Humble Authority of the Son: Paying the Temple Tax**
 - What was Jesus’ attitude toward the political powers of His day? Did He draw a distinction between legitimate and illegitimate political authority? Why or why not?
 - Are you a faithful steward in all things, including, but not limited to, your money?
- **How do the five attributes above (the “...of the Son” descriptions) help give us a more complete picture of who Jesus is? What are some James 1:22 responses we could have based on this more complete understanding?**
- **What do you want to remember and apply from this lesson?**
- **Spend the last five minutes in prayer pairs.**
 - Seek His will for our church, our community, and our society.
 - Praise for answered prayers, growth, and how God is working in your life.