The Transfiguration – Seeing Christ's Glory (Luke 9:28-36)

- I. Jesus Has Revealed His Glory (28-31)
 - A. The Glory of Jesus is Seen by Disciples (28-29)
 - 1. He took James, Peter, and John to pray
 - 2. His face was altered (29)
 - 3. His clothing became radiant
 - i. These disciples were seeing the glory of Christ
 - a. Past- the glory He had before the world
 - John 17
 - b. Present The glory He shares right now with the Father
 - c. Future The glory in which He will come
 - B. The Glory of Jesus is Affirmed by The Old Testament (30-31)
 - 1. Moses and Elijah Appeared with Christ in Glory
 - i. In Judaism Moses represents the Law
 - ii. In Judaism Elijah represents the Prophets
 - iii. In this moment the whole OT affirmed Christ
 - 2. Moses and Elijah Spoke of the Gospel (31)
 - i. They spoke of "departure"
 - ii. They spoke of what he would accomplish at Jerusalem
 - 3. All the Bible testifies to the Gospel of Christ
 - 4. What Jesus would accomplish was Moses and Elijah's salvation
 - i. Of course they would think of nothing else
 - ii. The gospel is the glory of Christ, it is the center of theology
- II. The Effect of Seeing Jesus' Glory (32-36)
 - A. The Disciples Are Mystified by Jesus' Glory (32-33)
 - 1. They almost slept through the Event (32)
 - a. They awoke to see the great event
 - b. How much we miss being lulled to sleep
 - 2. They wanted the moment to Last (33)
 - a. Peter saw the two men leaving
 - i. Peter felt the need to say something
 - ii. "It is good that we are here" -

This is where we want to be

- iii. But Peter didn't understand what he was seeing
- b. Peter Offered to Make 3 Tabernacles
 - i. Demonstrated Rash OT thinking
 - God's glory dwelt in Tabernacle
 - Perhaps this is the coming Kingdom
 - People will come and worship here
 - Put Jesus on same footing as Elijah and Moses
- B. The Disciples Learn to Be Disciples (34-36)
 - 1. God Defines the Response to Seeing His Glory (34-35)
 - a. The disciples became afraid as a cloud came over them (34)
 - i. The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom

- ii. the Holiness of God is suffocating
- b. God Commands the Disciples (35)
 - i. This is my Son, chosen one
 - He is above Moses and Elijah
 - He is above Religious Ritual
 - He is the one who is above all
 - ii. Listen to Him
 - Quit talking
 - The disciple learns from, listens to
 - Be silent and learn from Him
 - We want to bring God our...
 - God only accepts Jesus
- c. The Disciples Obey (36)
 - i. They kept silent
 - ii. They didn't even tell anyone