



Jesus on the Mountain

The Transfiguration and the Invitation to Divine Access

“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 (NIV)

In every generation, God invites His people into deeper transformation—not just through teaching and tradition, but through divine encounter. The Transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain is more than a miraculous event; it is a revelation of what is now possible through Christ for every believer. In the Old Testament, only Moses entered the cloud of God’s presence. But now, Jesus brings others with Him, revealing that spiritual access is no longer reserved for one—it is a shared invitation.

Many Christians today long to experience God’s presence beyond church services and surface-level devotion, but they are unsure of where to start. The Transfiguration points to the new path Jesus offers—a path of ascending with Him into the revealed presence of God, and returning changed.

I. Jesus – The One Who Reveals the Way

The Call to Ascent and Transformation

- Jesus did not climb the mountain alone; He invited Peter, James, and John to accompany Him.
- There, His appearance was transformed, and the divine presence visibly rested on Him (Mark 9:2–8).
- This mountaintop moment was not just a preview of resurrection glory—it was a paradigm shift. God’s presence would no longer dwell behind veils or atop restricted mountains. Through Jesus, the way would be opened for all.

Spiritual Parallel: Christ as the New Mountain

- Jesus represents the fulfillment of what Moses foreshadowed—He is the One who both enters and becomes the place of divine encounter.
- His Transfiguration reveals that glory is no longer hidden from humanity; in Him, it is now revealed and accessible.
- This moment prepares His disciples for the Cross and Resurrection, anchoring their faith in revealed glory, not just in doctrinal truth.



Reflection Question: Am I allowing Jesus to lead me beyond familiarity into a place of revealed glory and deeper transformation?

II. Peter, James, and John – The Witnesses of Transformation

The Call to Witness and Be Changed

- These disciples were invited into a sacred space—to see what others had not seen, to hear the Father’s voice, and to bear witness to Christ’s glory.
- Though overwhelmed and confused, their presence marked a shift: spiritual encounters were no longer reserved for prophets alone. The veil was thinning.

Spiritual Parallel: The Called Witnesses

- These three represent those who are being drawn into spiritual intimacy, not through merit but through grace.
- Their invitation onto the mountain is a picture of how Christ calls believers today into a personal relationship and revelation, not just to believe in doctrine, but to behold His glory.

Reflection Question: Am I open to moments of divine revelation that challenge my understanding and invite deeper communion?

III. From Cloud to Cross – The Greater Access Ahead

The Call to Listen, Descend, and Follow

“Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: ‘This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!’” —Mark 9:7

- The same cloud that once surrounded Moses now envelops Jesus and His disciples.
- God’s voice confirms Christ’s identity, and the command is clear: *Listen to Him*.
- But this glory was not the destination. They descended the mountain, and Jesus led them toward the Cross; where access would be secured forever.

Spiritual Parallel: The Journey from Encounter to Communion

- Spiritual renewal is not a mountaintop moment alone—it is a movement from revelation to surrender.
- The Transfiguration was a glimpse; the Cross would be the gateway.



- Through Jesus' finished work, we are now invited not just to witness glory, but to dwell in it.

Reflection Question: Am I following Jesus from the mountain into the full journey of transformation, even if it leads through the cross (letting go)?

IV. The Role of PQ: Preparing the Mind for the Mountain

In this new covenant era, tools like Positive Intelligence® (PQ) help believers clear the mental clutter that clouds their vision. While PQ does not take us up the mountain, it equips us to hear the invitation. By weakening Saboteurs and strengthening the inner witness, PQ positions us to respond when Jesus says, “Come with Me.”

As Christian PQ Coaches, we are:

- Helping others identify the noise that drowns out the “still small voice”. (1 Kings 19:12)
 - Equipping believers to recognize and receive moments of divine invitation.
 - Preparing hearts and minds to dwell in the presence of Christ, not just visit it occasionally.
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V. A Shift Has Happened: Divine Access Is Now

The Transfiguration was the turning point—the veil would soon be torn. What Moses entered alone, and what Peter, James, and John glimpsed briefly, **is now open to all who are in Christ.**

“Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus... let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings.” (Hebrews 10:19–22)

Closing Thought: The invitation to ascend still stands. Christ is the Mountain. The cloud now rests not above us but within us. Will we follow Him into the revealed presence of God?

Next Article: Moses, Aaron, and Bezalel: Understanding the Stages of Spiritual Renewal

As we'll see in the next article, Jesus' invitation to intimacy mirrors the stages of spiritual growth seen in Moses, Aaron, and Bezalel—each one called to draw closer in their own way.
