



Friends of Jesus and Mary

Cycle A - XVIII Ordinary Time

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97; 2Peter 1: 16-19; Matthew 17: 1-9

Feast of the Transfiguration

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Reflection

Before entering Jerusalem for the last time, when Jesus would suffer and die, He went up a mountain with the apostles James, Peter, and John to pray. There, His appearance transformed and His face and clothes became dazzling white as if He were in Heaven. How do you think the apostles felt upon seeing this? (Surprised, happy...) **What hope does it give us for the future?** (Heaven is a glorious and happy place.) **Moses and Elijah from the Old Testament appeared talking with Jesus. Why was Moses important?** (Moses received the 10 commandments from God after he freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt; then he led them to the promised land. Likewise, Jesus, with His passion, death, and resurrection freed us from the slavery of our sins so we may live forever with God in Heaven.) **Why was Elijah important?** (He represents the prophets of the Old Testament which asked for conversion and faithfulness to God to prepare for the coming of the Messiah. Their presence reveals that Jesus is the Messiah who God's people awaited.) **Why does Peter want to stay on the mountain?** (He feels happy seeing the glory of God.) **Why does God speak?** (He wants to confirm that Jesus is His Son, the promised Savior, and we must listen to Him.) **How would this vision help them during Jesus' passion and death?** (They would know God is with Jesus and His suffering is part of God's plan.) **How do we listen to Jesus?** (In prayer; in the Gospel; when our parents, priests and teachers speak to us; in nature...)



Activity

On the following page, answer the questions by unscrambling the words. On the last page, cut and color the images and take turns reenacting the events of the Transfiguration.

Prayer

Lord, help me to always listen to and follow Jesus. Help me to always have hope in in the happiness of Heaven, despite difficulties and sadness in this world. Amen.

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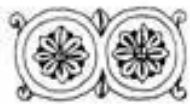
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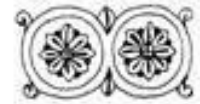
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TRANSFIGURATION WORD SCRAMBLE



1. Who did Jesus take up to the mountain?

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2. What was the name of the mountain?

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3. Who became as white as the light?

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4. Who appeared to the left of Jesus, to represent the Prophets?

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5. Who appeared to the right of Jesus, to represent the Law?

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6. Who spoke from the cloud above?

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7. What did the voice say?

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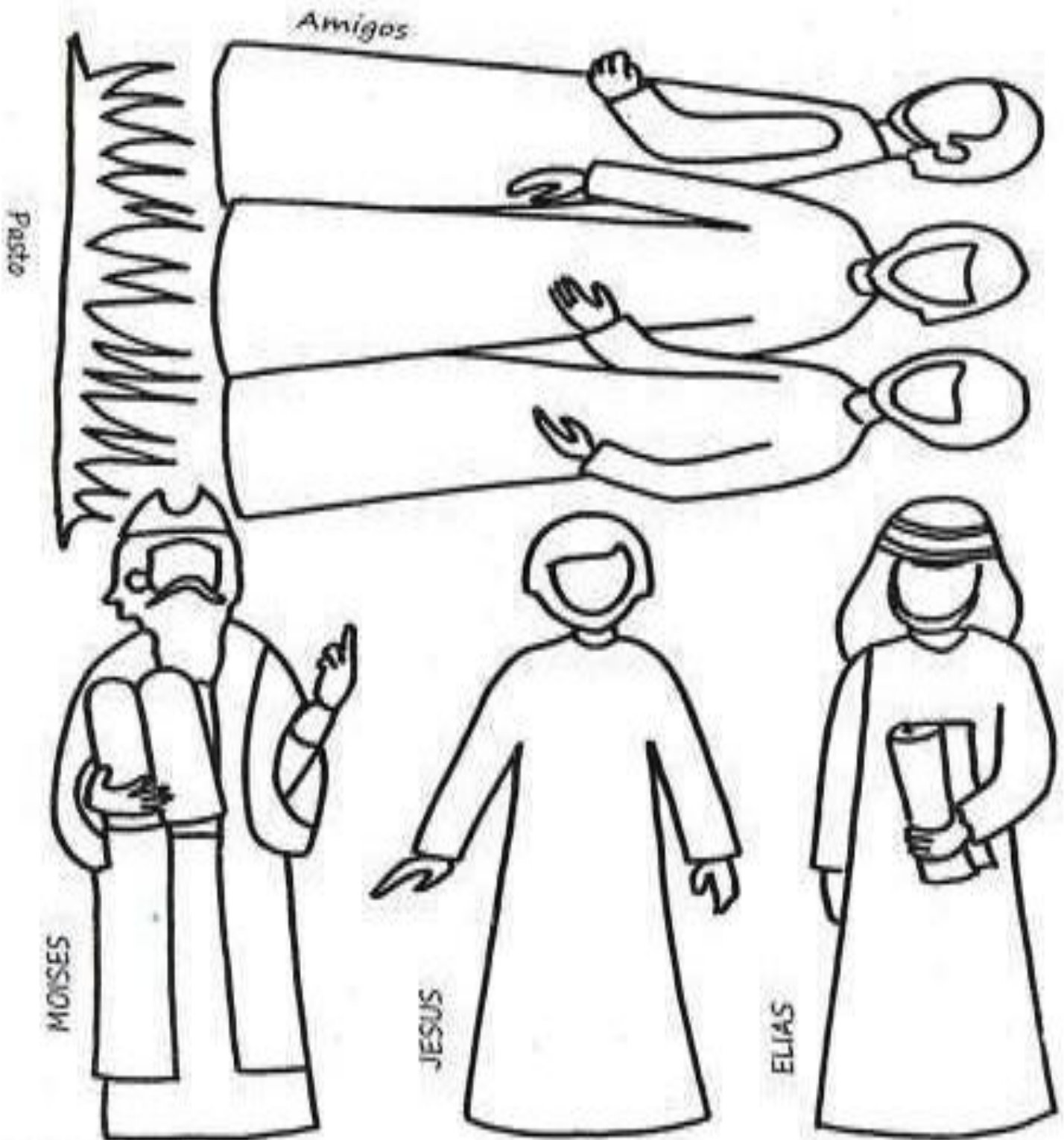
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8. Who does God want to become radiant with the Holy Spirit?

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