

LIFE Group Sermon Questions

The Center of Everything: The Mountain

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Luke 9:28-36



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Sermon Outline

- I. See Christ's divinity (Luke 9:29)
- II. See Christ's superiority (Luke 9:30-31)
- III. See Christ's humility (Luke 9:30-31)
- IV. See Christ's authority (Luke 9:34-35)

Discussion Questions

1. What did you learn today from the Scripture passage(s) that you didn't know before? What is something that hit you in a fresh way?

2. Based on what you know of Jesus' story (and some of what we looked at last week), why do you think Jesus doesn't show *everyone* his glory like he showed three of his disciples on the mountain (see also Luke 9:36)?

3. In Luke 9:32, Luke tells us that the disciples fell asleep while Jesus was praying. How does it encourage you that Peter, James, and John struggled to stay attentive when they were with Jesus? How can you push through your own fatigue to spend time with him? What could you do to help you feel more fresh and attentive when you're spending time with him (or while you're at church, or attending LIFE Group, etc.)?

4. Two weeks ago, we talked about how important it is to *know* who Jesus is (see Luke 9:18-20). What is the correlation between *seeing* Jesus and *knowing* Jesus? How do we practically "see" him if he's no longer walking around on earth?

5. If Jesus is God, what might that mean for your life? How has he leveraged his divine strength (or wisdom, or...) to help you? How does knowing Jesus is God humble you? How *should* knowing Jesus is God humble you?

6. Jesus is the fulfillment of both the Law and the Prophets, which means he's greater than Moses and Elijah. Why does that matter? What does that mean for our lives?

7. Make a list of characteristics that showcase the greatness of Jesus.

8. Despite his divinity and superiority, Jesus will give himself in humility to death on a cross. What would have happened if Jesus *hadn't* been humble?

9. If Jesus humbled himself to the point of death on a cross (see Philippians 2:8), how can you humble yourself in...

- ...your work?
- ...your home?
- ...your relationships?
- ...your responsibilities?

10. Peter didn't want the mountaintop experience to end (see Luke 9:33). Why is it important to remember that the Christian life isn't a permanent mountaintop experience? What's the danger of *forgetting* that?

11. How important is it to *know* what Jesus says if we're going to *listen* to what he says? How does one come to know better what Jesus says? What might that mean practically for you?

12. How have you seen Jesus change you as you've sought to look more and more at him (2 Corinthians 3:18)?