

many years before, they knew that they were Moses and Elijah. Moses and Elijah had come from heaven and were talking to Jesus about what was going to happen to him. He was soon to go back to the heavenly home.

Peter did not think about the wicked people and the sick people in the world. He thought only how pleasant it would be to stay on the mountain with the heavenly ones. He asked Jesus if they could not stay there. But the answer came from God, himself. Softly a great, shining cloud settled upon the mountain top, and the disciples fell down on their faces and dared not look. Out of the cloud came a voice saying, "This is my beloved Son: hear him."

Soon Jesus touched the disciples and told them not to fear. When they looked up, Moses and Elijah and the cloud were gone. Jesus had given them work to do in the world. God had said, "Hear him"; so Peter and James and John went back down the mountain to "shine for Jesus" in the world.

"Jesus bids us shine
With a pure, clear light,
Like a little candle,
Burning in the night;
In the world of darkness,
So we must shine,
You in your small corner,
And I in mine."



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"This is my beloved Son: hear him."

—Mark 9:7.

"His face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light."

—Matthew 17:2.