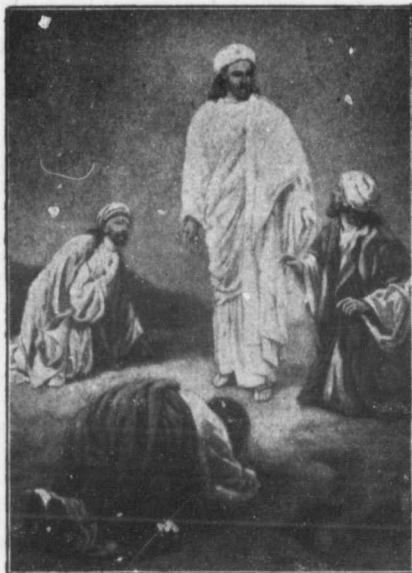


## Lesson III.

## JESUS TRANSFIGURED

April 21, 1918

Mark 9:2-10. Study Mark 9:2-29. \*Scripture Memory Verses, Matt. 9:18, 19, 23, 24.

**Golden Text**—This is my beloved Son: hear ye him.—Mark 9:7 (Rev. Ver.).

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2 And after six days Je'sus taketh *with him* Pe'ter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.

4 And there appeared unto them Eli'as with Mo'ses: and they were talking with Je'sus.

5 And Pe'ter answered and said to Je'sus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Mo'ses, and one for Eli'as.

6 For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.

7 And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

8 And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Je'sus only with themselves.

9 And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.

10 And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead should mean.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus loved the mountain tops. He loved to climb the mountain sides with his dear disciples and spend a quiet time in prayer far away from the noise and crowds of the city streets.

Our story last Sunday told us about Jesus asking the disciples what people were thinking about him and what the disciples themselves thought about him. You remember how Peter said: "Thou art the Christ."

Then Jesus told them the sad things that were going to happen to him. Jesus knew how easy it is to forget to be good. Would his disciples ever forget to love him? Would they ever think he was only a man and not the Son of God? Would they ever forsake him in those sad days to come? Perhaps it would do them good to get a peep at his glory and to think some glad thoughts. Then they would remember this when those sad

days of trial and death came. They would believe because they had seen his heavenly glory. So Jesus went away into a mountain to pray, taking Peter and James and John with him.

Now, while Jesus was praying, a wonderful change had come over him. His face shone as the sun and his robe was shining, white as glistening snow, whiter than any garment ever made. He was changed in appearance, "transfigured," as the gospel story tells us.

While the three disciples were looking in wonder upon his glorious face, they saw that he was not alone. The good old prophet Elijah, with his long, white beard, was standing on one side of him, and Moses, to whom God gave the law for his people, stood on the other side. They were talking with Jesus.

The disciples were filled with wonder at what they saw. They thought, "Oh, if we

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