

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 1, Lesson 6

Jesus is Transfigured

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus is both God and man.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What do you think God looks like?

GAME: Changing Appearances

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO IS WITH US

Read Worship Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:18

Sing songs and worship God. (Use the Seven Stars of Lent activity if this lesson occurs during the 40 days before Easter.)

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

THE WORD JESUS IS TRANSFIGURED

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus cleared the temple.

Today's story has a long title: "The Transfiguration." It means a change in one's appearance. Jesus took His followers up on a mountain where they saw a change in Him. Point to Mt. Herman, near Jerusalem. It is the likely location.

Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Matthew 17:1-9. Find It First. Highlight the Key Verse: Matthew 17:5. Pray.

Only God understands how Jesus was both God and man. Peter, James and John may have wondered about this mystery. Read Matthew 17:1-9.

THE WAY JESUS IS GOD AND MAN

What did Jesus look like when He changed on the mountain? (Shining face, bright white clothes.) When Jesus touched and spoke to Peter, James, and John, what did He look like? (A regular man.) How does this story show you Jesus was both God and man? First, let's make a list of things Jesus did that showed He was human. Now, let's list things He did that showed He was God.

What was the last thing God said from the cloud? ("Listen to Him.") What are some ways we can do that?

What did the followers do when the voice spoke from the cloud? (Fell to the ground and hid their faces.) How did they know when it was safe to get up? (Jesus touched them and talked to them.)

What did Jesus tell Peter, James and John to do? (Wait until He had raised from the dead to tell others what happened.) How does this prove Jesus already knew He would die and rise again? (He spoke about it so He must have known.)

CHRIST CONNECTION:

To see Jesus' face shining like the sun, and to hear God claim Jesus as His Son was to see the glory of the Lord. Who were the two men that suddenly appeared with Jesus? (Moses and Elijah.) Elijah was a prophet who lived over 800 years before the time of Jesus. Moses lived 1500 years before the time of Jesus. Let's see what Moses prayed for when he was alone on a mountain many years before this story took place. Reveal Exodus 33:18-20. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

What did Moses ask God to show Him? (His glory.) How does God describe His glory? (All His goodness and His name proclaimed as Lord.) How was Moses' prayer answered 1500 years later at the Transfiguration? (Moses saw Jesus' face and clothes change.)

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: "Ask Me About The Transfiguration" sticker
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus on the mountain with the cloud
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Marshmallow Clouds GAME: Show Me God's Glory CRAFT: Jesus is Transfigured DISCUSSION: The Law and the Prophets BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Find the Verse Race BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW