

Week 6: One Shining Moment

GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER

Have you ever heard of the “Transfiguration” before this message? Share your thoughts about this event.

Pastor Schlie describes “one shining moment” as those times when all is right with the world. Share the most recent time you experienced one.

DISCUSS THE TEXT & THE MESSAGE

Read Mark 9:2-13 and discuss some or all of the following questions.

God issues a simple command to Peter, James, and John regarding Jesus: “Listen to him.” What’s the significance of this statement to God’s people going forward?

How is our faith as Christians influenced by the Old Testament? How do we know which laws to abandon and which to keep?

Witnessing this event must have been extremely impactful for the disciples. How do you think it influenced their discipleship? Why were the other disciples not to know of it?

At this point in Mark’s gospel, Jesus’s ministry is nearing its end. The Transfiguration is described as a moment that fortifies Him for the trial ahead. How does this glimpse of Jesus’s humanity add to your understanding of Him?

In Ephesians 3:18, Paul prays for Christians to be able “to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.” Do you think that this kind of love can be understood? Do you personally feel that you grasp it?

How has your faith grown as you follow your discipleship path? What are some signs of growth that you are seeing that were not there before (e.g., are you reading God’ Word more, serving others, giving generously, etc.)?