

*Big moments in Jesus' life*  
*Home Group Notes 7*  
**Jesus' transfiguration Luke 9:28-36**

Introduction

- 1 Can you recall a time(s) when you have seen something of God's glory or had a 'mountain top experience'? [Enjoying God's creation; while praying; in a service or meeting?]
- 2 Read the account of what happened on the mountain top.  
**Luke 9: 28-36.** What is the context of this event?  
See also Luke 9:18 and 9:20 and Matthew 16:1  
If the question in everyone's thoughts is 'who is Jesus?', what answer is most immediately obvious?
- 3 Why did Jesus and three of his disciples go up the mountain? What does this say to us and how can we apply this example to our own lives?
- 4 What are the 4 main things that happen in this passage?
- 5 How was the appearance of Jesus changed (transfigured)? What does this tell us about Him? You may want to look at these verses: Rev 6:11; Rev 19: 8 and Rev 3:4  
Read Exodus 34:29 What happened to Moses when he was in God's presence and what did it signify?
- 6 Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus. What hope does this give us about life after death and the resurrection of the dead?
- 7 What do Moses and Elijah represent in the Old Testament and Jewish tradition?
- 8 After the transfiguration, Jesus is once more alone. What does this indicate about the Old Testament and the prophecies concerning the Messiah? (see Matthew 5: 17)

- 9 A few days before the transfiguration Peter had declared that Jesus is the Messiah. In this passage Peter wants to build 3 shelters. What possible reasons could he have in making this suggestion? Does this show a limited understanding of the Messiah? Or a just a problem of knowing what to say?
- 10 Peter is interrupted by the voice of God. What are the three things that the Heavenly Father says about Jesus and what do they tell us about him?
- 11 The three disciples had an audio-visual mountain top experience of the glory of God. However, the command of God doesn't focus on this. What is the command to them? Does this apply to us as followers of Jesus? How can we do this effectively?
- 12 How has this passage furthered your understanding of the question 'Who is Jesus?'

**Prayer points**

*Give thanks that in Jesus we see the goodness and glory of God. Pray that we and all our church have a desire to see Jesus more clearly.*  
*Pray that Christians everywhere may 'listen' to Jesus through Bible study and prayer. Pray for all our home groups and afternoon tea and chat sessions.*  
*Pray that we who have assurance of eternal life will share this good news with others.*