

Catching a Glimpse of Jesus' Glory **Mark 9:1-13**

A mountain-top experience promised for a few, 9:1

- This promise follows the hard-to-swallow prediction and tough challenge in 8:31-38. It is meant to be reassuring but . . .
- Since Matt. and Lk. likewise note intervening days in 9:2, it is best to view 9:2ff. as a “sneak preview.”

A mountain-top experience that's scary and confusing, 9:2-13

- Jesus' brilliance is further described in Matt. 17:2, Lk. 9:29.
- Why do Elijah and Moses appear here? Dt. 18:15, Mal. 4:4-6. What were they discussing? See Lk. 9:30--“Jesus' exodus.”
- How should the recognition of Elijah and Moses encourage us?
- Fear moves Peter to suggest a building project. Why? Lk. 9:33
- This is the 2nd heavenly endorsement of Jesus, as in 1:11. The cloud recalls Sinai, Ex. 24:15-16 / tabernacle, Ex. 40:35.
- Confusion over Elijah is from an expectation he comes to stay. If so, then Messiah Jesus shouldn't be headed off to die! John = unrecognized / killed (Matt. 11:14, 17:12) as w/Jesus.
- Peter eventually gets it (recalls this in II Pt. 1:16-18). Do we?

