

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE CHURCH (IBC) LINZ

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...then you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. Jn.8:32

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

19:04:15

Theme: CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Memory Verse: *Matthew 17:3 “And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him”.*

Texts: Mathew 17:4-7

What does the special privileges enjoyed by Peter, James and John teaches us about Christian stewardship and the need to shun murmur and grumbles? The transfiguration was a brief glimpse of the real glory of Jesus, a special revelation of His divinity to the three witnesses. God’s divine affirmation of everything Jesus had done and was about to do.

In that brief moment of time, Peter, James and John beheld the heavenly glory and majesty of the Saviour, as He really was-God in human flesh. In His earthly ministry, Jesus took on him the form of a servant (Philippians 2:7), drawing a veil over the glory of godhead. At the transfiguration, he momentarily pulled aside that veil. His face had such brightness that Mathew exclaimed, “His face did shine as the sun” and we know that Jesus, truly, is the Sun of righteousness and the Light of the world.

This then was the majesty Peter, James and John beheld there on the mountaintop. It is the majesty of our soon-coming King. He outshines all earthly kings in glory and splendour. He will also outlast them for He is an everlasting sovereignty. Of Him, the songwriter and one-time British Governor of Bombay, Sir Robert Grant, wrote: *Oh worship the King, All glorious above, O gratefully sing, His power and love. Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilion in splendour, and girded with praise!*