"God's Glory And You"

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Scripture: Mark 9:2-8, ESV.

"And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them. And His clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud. 'This is My beloved Son; listen to Him.' And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them, but Jesus only."

1. God's Glory.

a. Exodus 24:9-11, NKJV. "Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and they saw the God of Israel. And there was under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in its clarity. But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank."

b. Exodus 24:15-18. "Then Moses went up into the mountain, and a cloud covered the mountain. Now the glory of the LORD rested on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. The sight of the glory of the LORD was like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel. So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights."

c. Exodus 33:18-23. "And He said, 'Please, show me Your glory.'

Then He said, 'I will make all My goodness pass before You, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.' But He said, 'You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.'

"And the LORD said, 'Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen." d. **2 Peter 1:16-18.** *"For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.' And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain."*

e. John 1:14. "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

f. **Hebrews 1:3, ESV.** *"He is the radiance of the glory of God, and the exact imprint of His nature. And He upholds the universe by the word of His power."*

2. Glorifying God.

a. Westminster Confession of Faith Ch. 2, Sec. 2. "God has all life, glory, goodness, blessedness, in and of Himself, and is alone in and unto Himself all sufficient, not standing in need of any creatures which He has made, nor deriving any glory from them, but only manifesting His own glory in, by, unto and upon them." (cf. Romans 11:33-36.)

b. **2** Corinthians 3:18, NKJV. "But we also, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord."

c. Psalm 50:23. "Whoever offers praise glorifies me."

d. **1 Corinthians 6:20.** *"For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."*

e. **1 Corinthians 10:31.** *"Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."*