

Lesson 21

The Discipleship Journey | Matthew 17:1-27

START MEETING

1. What was the mountain top experience in your life?
2. When has a mountain top experience in your life been followed by a valley experience? How did you cope?

READ AND DISCUSS BIBLE

1. It's been six days since Peter confessed Jesus as the Christ, and Jesus predicted his death. Why is that information necessary for what happens next? Who does Jesus invite as a witness?
2. Why do you think Jesus took the three disciples to the mountain to see his Transfiguration? What does the Transfiguration tell us about who Jesus is? What did Moses and Elijah, and Jesus talk about?
3. How do you think the transfiguration affected the Disciples' faith and purpose?
4. Why couldn't the disciples drive out the demon? Discuss Jesus' answer. What does this have to do with prayer and fasting? How is a person's personal prayer life the key to being used by God and using God's power? Can you give an example?
5. Why is Jesus exempt from the temple tax? What lesson was Jesus teaching Peter by paying the tax? What is at stake when we offend someone?

MATTHEW: THE DISCIPLEMAKER MANUAL

Sermon Series
Bible Study

PASSAGE FOCUS

Disciples of Jesus live in two realities, are plugged in to God, and know His love.

STUDY GUIDE

LISTEN

Listen to this passage's sermon before you begin the study. If you missed it, you can watch the recording on the CPC Website or Youtube Channel.

REFLECT

Take some time to read through the passage and reflect on the questions.

SHARE

Answer the questions and share with your Life Group.

CLOSE MEETING

1. Can you imagine how you would respond if you saw Jesus' glory or heard God's voice audibly? What does this teach you about living in two realities as a disciple of Jesus?
2. Are you plugged in to God? On a scale of 1 to 10, how is your prayer life? Why do disciples of Jesus fast? Have you gone on a fast before?
3. Which freedoms do you enjoy most as a Christian? How would the Church and society be blessed if Christians focused on His love and not our rights?