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If I could just drink*  
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# Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes



**Today we are going to be talking about  
The Transfiguration of Jesus.**

**Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

**A reading from the gospel according to Matthew.....adapted for children**

***After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. To their amazement he was changed before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light***

***They then noticed Moses and Elijah, talking with him.***

***Peter said to Jesus,***

***“Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.”***

***He was still speaking when, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said,***

***“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”***

***When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified***

***But Jesus came and touched them, saying,***

***“Stand up. Don't be afraid.”***

***When the followers looked up, they saw Jesus was now alone.***

***And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them,***

***“Don't tell anyone about the things you saw on the mountain. Wait until the Son of Man has been raised from death. Then you may tell.”***

***Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.***

# Unpacking the Gospel

A very special camping trip... ask students if they have ever been on a trip to the mountains, or been camping

What kinds of special things happen when you go camping?

What happened to Jesus's appearance on the mountain?

Jesus went white and shone brightly.

Who were the two Old Testament figures that appeared with Jesus?

Moses and Elijah.

What did God say from the cloud about Jesus?

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

How did the disciples feel when they heard God's voice from the cloud?

Terrified.

What did the disciples learn about Jesus from this experience?

That he was the son of God.

How can we listen to Jesus in our daily lives?

We can start our day with a prayer inviting God to be with us.

Why is it important to listen to Jesus?

Jesus loves us and only wants what is best for us.

## Let's Pray

Father God, we thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to teach us.

Help us to listen to and obey Him as You want us to

In Jesus' name we pray, amen.



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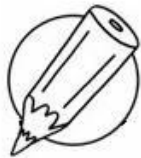
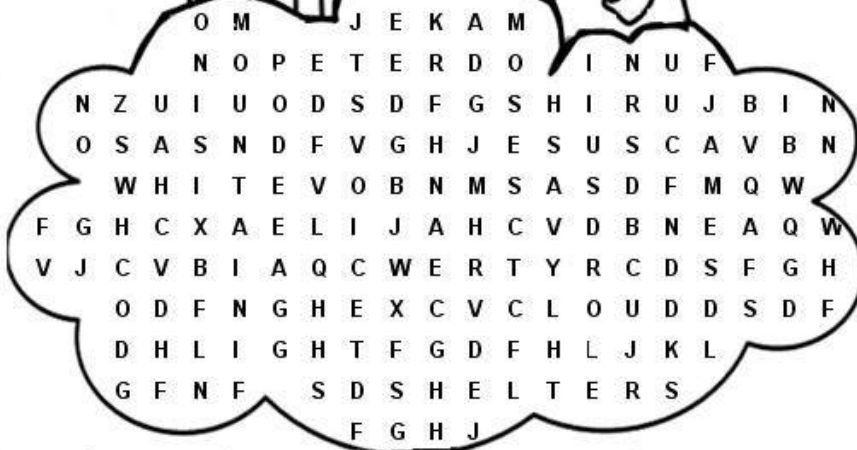
# The Transfiguration

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Find the  
hidden  
words

This is my Son, whom I love;  
with him I am well pleased.

Listen to him!

## Catechism of the Catholic

554 From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things... and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem". A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"



# JESUS TRANSFIGURED

Lead Jesus, and the Disciples  
to the Mount of Transfiguration

