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Jesus' transfiguration. That is a big word that means "to be changed in appearance"- in how you look. How was Jesus' appearance changed on the mountain? Our story tells us that his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as bright as lightning! Jesus was allowing his disciples to see his heavenly glory. Jesus has the same glory as God the Father, but during his earthly life he looked like any other man because he kept this glory hidden. We will see his glory when we see him in heaven one day!

Revelation 1:12-16 gives us a picture of Jesus as seen by John in a vision from God." ¹² I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man,^[a] dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵ His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

In our story, Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus, even though they had gone to heaven hundreds of years before. God allowed the disciples to recognize them. Moses and Elijah talked about Jesus's suffering and death so that when the time came for that to happen, the disciples would be strengthened by what they had heard on this mountain.

What would you tell someone who said this: " I like learning about Jesus, but I don't like to hear about his suffering and death. It makes me sad."? It is important for us to learn about the suffering and death of Jesus since it was part of God's plan to save us from our sins. The most important thing for us to know about Jesus is that he is our Savior. If Jesus had not died to pay for our sins, we would spend eternity in hell. We treasure the salvation won for us by Jesus' suffering and death.

When they were on the mountain Peter wanted to put up three shelters so that Moses, Elijah and Jesus would stay on the mountain for a long time. This experience must have been so amazing that Peter didn't want it to end!

When the disciples heard God's voice, they were terrified because they knew they were sinners and that they were in the presence of God. They heard God the Father say, "This is my Son, whom I love. I am very pleased with him. Listen to him." The disciples knew beyond any doubt that Jesus was the son of God whom He promised to send throughout the Old Testament. As they were going down the mountain, he instructed his disciples not to tell anyone about what had happened until after he had risen.

Pray: Dear holy Son of God, you have shown us that you are our only Savior. Thank you for coming to Earth to suffer and die for our sins, Help us praise an honor you until we see your glory in heaven. Amen

Miracle on the Mountain Worksheet Answers: Part One: 4, 2, 1, 3, 6, 5. Part Two: Answers will vary but may include: Jesus' face and clothing shone with a heavenly light. Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus. God the Father said that Jesus is his son.

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