



Enough is our Concordia University Texas theme for the 2023-2024 academic year.

CONNECT

with self and others:

- 1. Share a story of any mountains you have seen, hiked, or camped around.
2. What mountains do you run toward?

NOTES: _____

Horizontal lines for taking notes.

ENGAGE

the Word:

I run toward any mountain I can see (Kathryn Morgan here). If you know me I'm obsessed with mountains and I will drive 12 hours just to climb a mountain for the thrill of a view and the physical exertion. No feeling is better than that of when I see or climb a mountain.

This is not only true of me in nature, but it's true in my daily life. I gravitate towards people or things that make me feel slightly better only to realize that thing could have never satisfied me in the first place.

READ
Mark 9:2-13



ENOUGH

WEEK 7

**AIN'T NO
- MOUNTAIN -
HIGH ENOUGH**

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, ³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵ And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸ And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead might mean. ¹¹ And they asked him, "Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?" ¹² And he said to them, "Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him."

- Mark 9:2-13

In this passage we see Jesus' transfiguration. Transfiguration means to transform into something more beautiful or elevated. Jesus instantly becomes radiant and white. Peter, James, and, John learn the importance of the incarnation and resurrection while on the mountain with Jesus. In order for us to be made right with God Jesus had to come to earth as fully God and fully man. Peter, James, and John were witnesses to the transfiguration of Jesus and after experiencing the mountain they have a deeper understanding of who Jesus is a holy deity.

Jesus calls us to a greater mountain than we ones we often run towards.. The Mountain where he is. The mountain where we can be transformed and come off the mountain changed forever. Even when we experience Him and we feel his holy presence we can't always stay there. In the passage Peter wants to set up tents to stay on the mountain, but Jesus doesn't even respond. Jesus knows the disciples must come off the mountain and remember the radiance of a Jesus not only off the mountain but when He goes to die for the sins of the world..

QUESTIONS:

1. Why do you think Jesus brought Peter, James, and John with Him on the mountain?
2. Why did Peter want to set up tents? Have you ever not wanted to leave somewhere because of Jesus' presence? (ex. camp)
3. Later in the gospels, how did Peter fail to see Jesus as Gods "Beloved son" (v 7)

SHARE:

apply to your life.

4. When is a time that you have run to a mountain that didn't fulfill you?
5. How can you live transformed even when you aren't on the mountain?



PRAYER:

God thank you for sending Your Son down to earth to suffer and die in our place. Help us be reminded of your faithfulness and goodness you have shown in the death and resurrection of Your Son. We can live fully transformed and we can experience You both on the mountain and in the valley. Remind me that Jesus is enough. Amen.

