

factor into your answer to question 2?

Sermon Notes

"Transfiguration Hope for Suffering Saints"

Mark 9:1-13

May 3, 2026

6. What caught the three disciples off guard and became the topic of discussion as they headed down the mountain (9:10-11)? About whom do you think Jesus was speaking when he said, "Elisha has come" (9:12-13, also consider Matt 17:10-13)?

7. Elijah's return was expected to immediately precede the inauguration of the glorious messianic kingdom (Malachi 4:5). Yet how is what happened to him (9:13; see also 6:14-29) a pattern for what must also happen to Jesus (9:9, 12) and to us (8:34)?

8. How do you think this account would encourage an audience of Christians being harassed and threatened, as Mark's original audience of Roman believers likely were? What encouragement does this passage give you?

Let's Pray:

Growth Group Homework

For the week of 05-03-2026

Questions adapted from James Galvin, ed., et al., New Testament Lesson Maker, NavPress, Colorado Springs, CO, 1992, p. 87; Lyman Coleman, et.al., eds., Serendipity New Testament for Groups, Serendipity House, Littleton, CO, 1986, p. 106; James Hoover, Mark: Follow Me, InterVarsity Press, Downers Grove, IL, 1999, pp. 44-45; Ted Dorman, Karen Lee-Thorp, ed., Life Change Series: Mark, NavPress, Colorado Springs, CO, 1995, pp. 88-89.

Getting Started:

1. When were you last speechless?

Digging Deeper:

Read Mark 9:1-13.

2. Whom did Jesus take with him to the mountain (9:3)? Why do you think Jesus chose only three of his disciples to witness His transfiguration?
3. What was significant about the people who appeared to Jesus (9:4)?
4. How did the disciples respond to the transfiguration of Jesus (9:5-6)? How do you think you would have reacted if Jesus had chosen you to witness his transfiguration?
5. What orders did Jesus give the disciples (9:9)? How long would they have to keep silent? Does this requirement