

Matthew
Chapter 17
Student

Contents: The transfiguration of **JESUS CHRIST**. The ineptⁱ disciples who were unable to heal a lunatic, and the mighty presence of **CHRISTⁱⁱ**. The Resurrection is again foretold. The miracle of the tribute money.

Characters: **GOD**, **JESUS**, Moses, Elijah, Peter, James, John, a father and his lunatic son, John the Baptist, disciples.

Conclusion: **JESUS CHRIST** is the **SON of GOD**, who is glorious and mighty in **HIS** person, and possessing all power in heaven and earth. **HE** is victorious over death and the grave and reigns in glory. (*See Matthew 28:18*) Genuine faith yielded to **HIS** power, moves the arm of omnipotence.

Key Word and Strong Verses: Transfiguration, **GOD** 2. Faith, **GOD**

Striking Facts: The transfiguration is the answer to the meaning of Matthew 16:28 in the preceding chapter. In it, we see in miniature, the elements of the coming earthly Kingdom of **CHRIST**. We see **JESUS** in **HIS** glory (**GOD**); Moses standing for believers who have passed on through death (**GOD**); Elijah representing those who will be translated (**GOD**). (*Cf. 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17*); Three disciples representing Israel in the flesh at **CHRIST**'s return. Gentiles are shown to be at foot of mountain. This explanation was given following the announcement which disappointed the disciples of **HIS** rejection and death. This information was for their encouragement.

Questions:

1. What New Testament character is the prophet Elijah compared to?

2. What did Peter want to do when he saw Moses, Elijah and **JESUS**?

3. What was the medical condition of the man's son?

4. Why was JESUS upset with the disciples?

5. What is the solution for difficult problems?

Bonus Question: What you have done if you experienced verse 27?

ⁱ **Enept** - having or showing no skill; clumsy.

ⁱⁱ **CHRIST – G5547 Χριστός Christos khris-tos'**

From **G5548**; *anointed*, that is, the *Messiah*, an epithet of Jesus: - Christ.

G5548 χρίω chriō khree'-o

Probably akin to G5530 through the idea of *contact*; to *smear* or *rub* with oil, that is, (by implication) to *consecrate* to an office or religious service: - anoint.
