

### Luke 9:26-31

- ✓ **2 Peter 1:16-18; John 1:14** – Of all things the disciples saw, this one thing was the thing that stood out above the rest.
  - ✓ It's the most important event in the life of Christ between His birth and His death; **Luke 9:26-31**
  - ✓ After Jesus' public death, He never appeared publicly again; the last the public saw of Him was Him hanging on a cross. He appeared only to His apostles and followers afterward.
  - ✓ **Matthew 26:64** – They looked at Jesus and saw only a man, but He will never be seen again that way!
  - ✓ The Bible tells us that His return and public appearance will be so overwhelming, so magnificent that the whole world will know it the instant it happens and that for those who oppose Him it will be absolutely terrifying; **Revelation 1:7; Revelation 6:15-16; Habakkuk 2:14**
  - ✓ In order to give them assurance of His return, He gives them a preview, a glimpse of it to a select few.
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### 1. Jesus transfigures

- ✓ He appeared to be a regular man in every respect, He walked, talked, slept, ate, behaved like a man.
  - ✓ But He was not a regular man! He had been transfigured into manhood in the womb of Mary and appeared that way since the manger.
  - ✓ He didn't go around with some aura or halo over His head.
  - ✓ His "morphé" (Greek for "appearance") went through a "Metamorphé" (Greek for being "changed from the inside out").
  - ✓ In Matthew's account, he says His face shone like the sun, His clothing became shining and brilliant (the word here is the word for lightning).
  - ✓ Reminiscent of what Ezekiel saw after seeing these incredible beings called Cherubim, he sees God Himself: **Ezekiel 1:26-27**.
  - ✓ Jesus looks like this because this is who Jesus really is, He is God Himself.
  - ✓ Light doesn't shine on Him; it shines from Him because He is the light.
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### 2. Moses and Elijah come for a visit.

- ✓ Why these guys and not somebody else? David, Daniel, Abraham, Joseph?
  - ✓ The answer to this is not so much who they are but what they represent.
  - ✓ Moses was the giver of Law, the writer of the first 5 books and Elijah was the preeminent representative of prophets whose job it was to enforce and guard the law.
  - ✓ These respective divisions were highlighted in the way the Jews of Jesus' day referred to the Old Testament, they called it "The Law and Prophets".
  - ✓ It's critical that we get the message of their appearing and disappearing, Peter wants to make dwellings for each of them, but God intervenes, and those guys leave the scene, and God tells them to listen to Jesus. **Hebrews 1:1-2**
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## Luke 9: A Glimpse of Glory

### 3. Peter, James, and John have a rude awakening.

- ✓ These guys are asleep at some of the most important junctures in History.
  - ✓ Asleep as Jesus reveals His glory, asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane; Peter is sleeping when angel comes to let him out of prison.
  - ✓ Not knowing what to say, Peter says something anyway! **Luke 9:33.**
  - ✓ God stops this because there's no comparing Moses and Elijah with Jesus, as important as they are.
  - ✓ They were only messengers, but Jesus was their message, they were only servants, but Jesus is the King; Only witnesses but Jesus was their testimony.
  - ✓ Peter sure got it: **Acts 4:12**
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