
THE GOSPEL OF

MARK

SUFFERING SERVANT & SON OF GOD

MEN'S MORNING STUDY

Thursdays, Sep 4 - Dec 4 @ 6:30 - 7:30a

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What's the most breathtaking view or moment you've ever experienced?



5:00

The Transfiguration of Jesus

Mark 9:2-13

Previously...Mark



Mark 1

- **John the Baptist prepares the way (1:1–8)**
- **Baptism of Jesus (1:9–11)**
- **Jesus' temptation in the wilderness (1:12–13)**
- **Jesus begins his Galilean ministry (1:14–15)**
- **Calling the first disciples (Simon, Andrew, James, John) (1:16–20)**
- **Jesus teaches with authority, casts out an unclean spirit in synagogue (1:21–28)**
- **Healing Simon's mother-in-law & many others (1:29–34)**
- **Jesus prays in a solitary place (1:35–39)**
- **Cleansing a leper (1:40–45)**

Mark 2

- **Healing the paralytic...through the roof (2:1–12)**
- **Calling of Levi (Matthew) (2:13–17)**
- **Question about fasting (2:18–22)**
- **Disciples picking grain on the Sabbath (2:23–28)**

Mark 3

- **Healing a man with a withered hand on the Sabbath (3:1–6)**
- **Crowds follow Jesus; unclean spirits acknowledge him (3:7–12)**
- **Appointment of the Twelve Apostles (3:13–19)**
- **Accusation: Jesus works by Beelzebul (3:20–30)**
- **Jesus redefines his true family (3:31–35)**

Mark 4

- **Parable of the Sower (4:1–20)**
- **Lamp under a basket (4:21–25)**
- **Parable of the growing seed (4:26–29)**
- **Parable of the mustard seed (4:30–34)**
- **Jesus calms the storm (4:35–41)**

Previously...Mark



Mark 5

- **Healing the Gerasene demoniac (Legion) (5:1–20)**
- **Healing of the woman with the flow of blood (5:21–34)**
- **Raising Jairus' daughter (5:35–43)**

Mark 6

- **Jesus rejected at Nazareth (6:1–6)**
- **Sending out the Twelve two by two (6:7–13)**
- **Death of John the Baptist (Herod's banquet) (6:14–29)**
- **Feeding the five thousand (6:30–44)**
- **Jesus walks on water (6:45–52)**
- **Healings at Gennesaret (6:53–56)**

Mark 7

- **Dispute over traditions (clean/unclean) (7:1–23)**
- **Healing of the Syrophenician woman's daughter (7:24–30)**
- **Healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment (7:31–37)**

Mark 8

- **Feeding the four thousand (8:1–10)**
- **Pharisees demand a sign (8:11–13)**
- **Warning about the leaven of the Pharisees and Herod (8:14–21)**
- **Healing a blind man at Bethsaida (gradual healing) (8:22–26)**

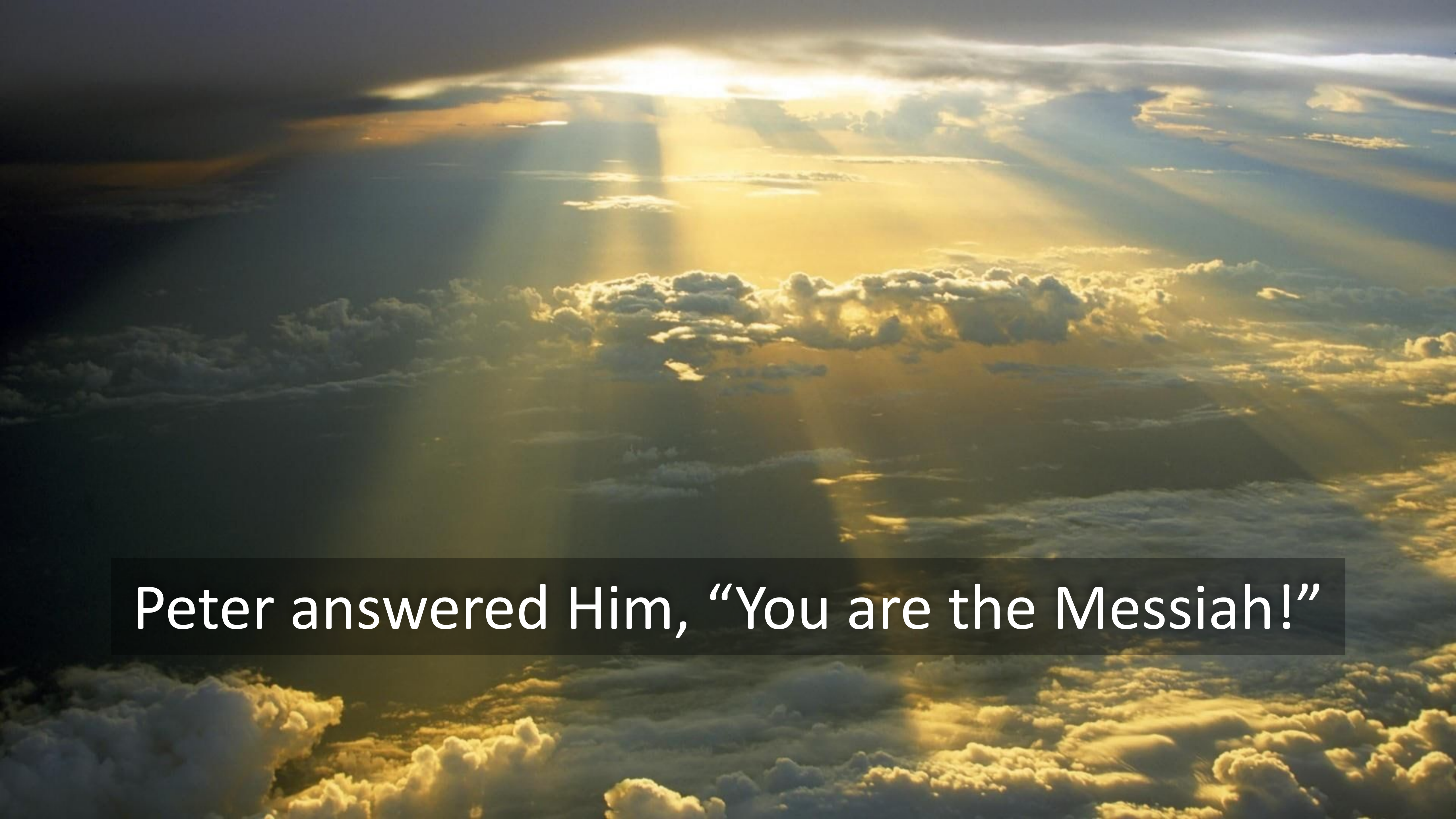
Christ > _____

Progressive Revelation



- 1. Who Christ is.**
- 2. What Christ will do.**

But who do you say that I am?



Peter answered Him, “You are the Messiah!”

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Then He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, be killed, and rise after three days.

Mark 8:31

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If anyone wants to be
My follower, he must
deny himself, take up his
cross, and follow Me.

MARK 8:34

Mark 9:1



Then He said to them, “I assure you: There are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God come in power.”

Who will not taste death until...???

Mark 9:2-7



² After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up on a high mountain by themselves to be alone. He was transformed in front of them, ³ and His clothes became dazzling—extremely white as no launderer on earth could whiten them. ⁴ Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it’s good for us to be here! Let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —
⁶ because he did not know what he should say, since they were terrified.

⁷ A cloud appeared, overshadowing them, and a voice came from the cloud:

This is My beloved Son; listen to Him!

Mark 9:8-13



⁸ Then suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus alone.

⁹ As they were coming down from the mountain, He ordered them to tell no one what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

¹⁰ They kept this word to themselves, discussing what “rising from the dead” meant.

¹¹ Then they began to question Him, “Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?”

¹² “Elijah does come first and restores everything,” He replied. “How then is it written about the Son of Man that He must suffer many things and be treated with contempt? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah really has come, and they did whatever they pleased to him, just as it is written about him.”

What is Christ doing here?

1. Removing Distractions (vs. 2)
2. Revealing Deity (vs. 3-8)
3. Readyng Disciples (vs. 9-13)

Removing Distractions (vs. 2)

Who does Christ take with him?

Why not everyone?

Peter, James, John

1. Mark 5:37 (Jairus' daughter)
2. Mark 9:2 (Transfiguration)
3. Mark 14:33 (Gethsemane)

Questions to Consider

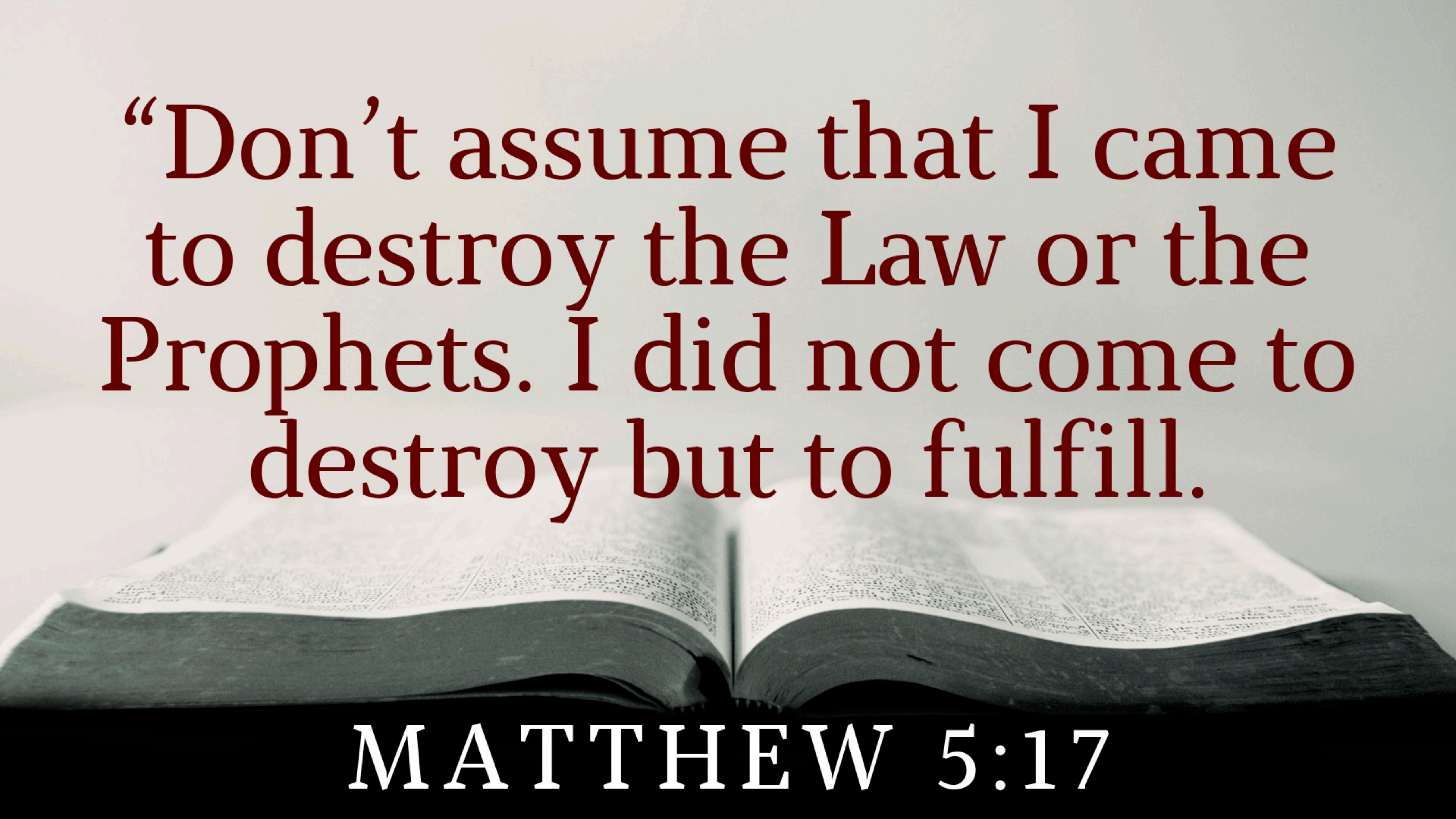


- **How do you think the other disciples felt?**
- **Would you have felt left out?**

Do we choose and make a priority to meet with the LORD regularly?

Revealing Deity

What do Peter, James & John witness?

An open book with text overlaid. The text is in a dark red, serif font. The book is open, showing two pages with text. The background is a light, neutral color.

“Don’t assume that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.”

MATTHEW 5:17

Questions to Consider



- **What do you think Peter, James and John were thinking?**
- **What do you think Jesus and Moses and Elijah were talking about?**
- **Why did Peter want to build 3 tabernacles?**



Jesus is my Homeboy!



Questions to Consider



Do we really meditate on the glory of Christ? His holiness? His authority?

Mark 9:7-8



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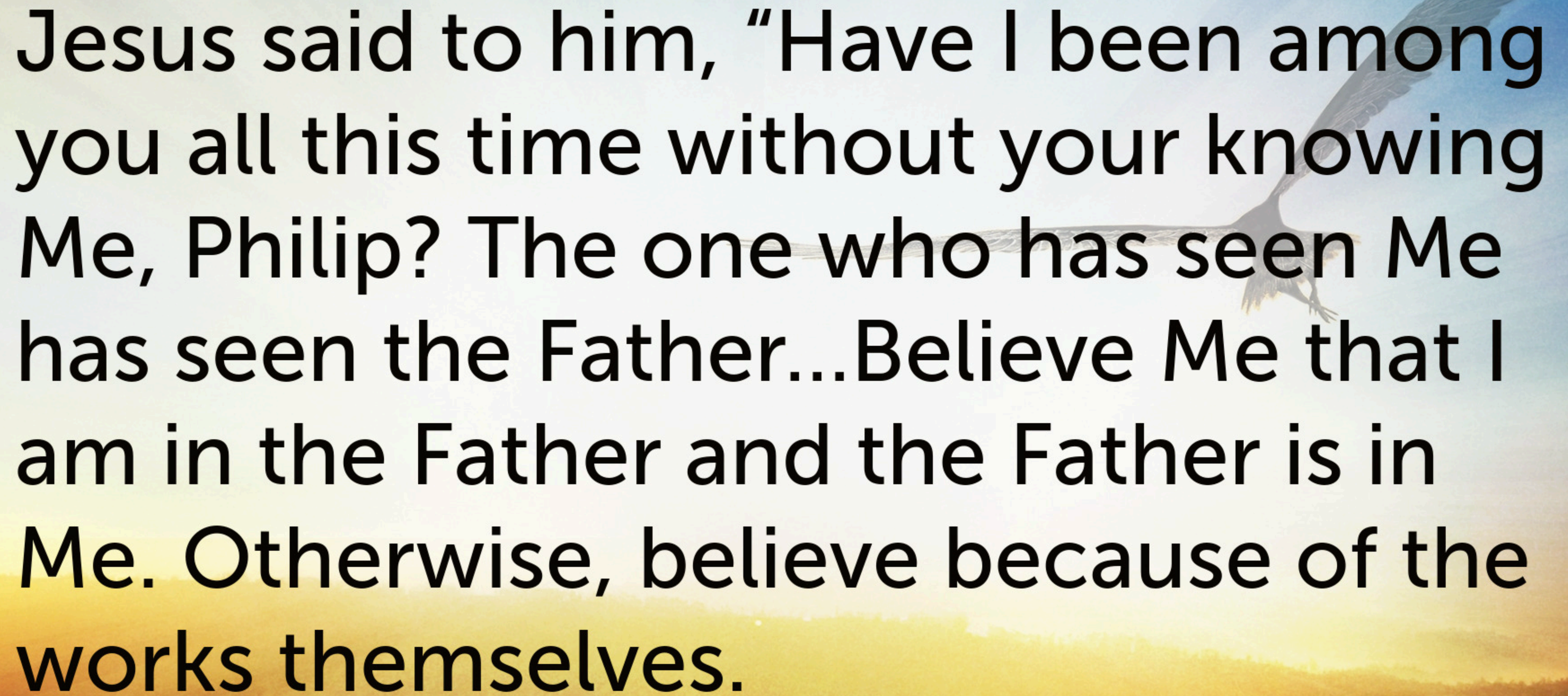
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- **What is the message really being given to them?**

Christ > Law

Christ > Prophets

A white dove is shown in flight, its wings spread wide, against a background of a sunset sky. The sky transitions from a pale blue at the top to a warm orange and yellow near the horizon. The dove is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image, flying towards the left. The text is overlaid on the sky, with the main quote in black and the reference in white.

Jesus said to him, "Have I been among you all this time without your knowing Me, Philip? The one who has seen Me has seen the Father...Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me. Otherwise, believe because of the works themselves.

JOHN 14:9-11

Mark 9:9-13



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Readying Disciples

What is Christ trying to teach them as the walk down the mountain toward the valley?

Before Jesus will rule and reign the Cosmos,
He must redeem the World through His
suffering and death!



Questions to Consider




How has God used Mountain Top experiences to prepare you for the Valleys?

“The path to glory always runs through Calvary.”



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**The God of the
Mountain is always
the God of the
Valley!**

Discussion



1. Jesus took the disciples away from the crowds to the mountain. What helps you set aside distractions so you can spend real time with God in prayer and Scripture?
2. The disciples saw Jesus' glory on the mountain. How does remembering who Jesus really is (His greatness and authority) give you perspective in daily life?
3. The disciples experienced both the mountaintop moment and then the valley below. What helps you trust God through both the high points and low points of life?