

Vision for the Sufferer
Matthew 17:1-23

What kind of vision do you need when you are suffering?

- I. The vision of Christ's glory
 - A. The transfiguration of Jesus (v. 1-2; Rev. 1:13-16)
 - B. The one and only Jesus (v. 3-8; Deut. 18:18; Mal. 4:5-6; Luke 24:27)
- II. The vision of Christ's suffering
 - A. The suffering of Jesus (v. 9-13, 22-23)
 - B. Suffering frames glory (2 Cor. 4:16-18)
- III. The vision of faith
 - A. The boy's suffering (v. 14-15)
 - B. The disciples' failure (v. 16-20a)
 - C. Faith that moves mountains (v. 20; Col. 1:27)

Application Guide:

1. What is your reference point when you feel disoriented in a season of suffering? How does Christ's glory settle and stabilize you?
2. What does your suffering frame? How have you seen your suffering bring Christ's glory into focus?
3. How have you seen 'faith moves mountains' misinterpreted? What immovable mountain have you seen God move in your life through faith?