

Discussion Guide

Glory on the Mountain

As A Group...

- 1. Spend time praying for one another.
- Talk about each member's "one" friend or family member who doesn't know Christ. Pray for them by name and encourage and hold one another accountable to share the gospel or offer an invitation to the "one."
- Plan an activity that you can invite unchurched neighbors to so that you can get to know the people around your group.
- 4. Encourage and hold each other accountable in the area of serving. Where is each member serving in the body of Christ and the kingdom?

- I. Read Mark 9:2-13. As a group, discuss the events leading up to the Transfiguration (Mark 8:27-38—Peter's confession, Jesus' prediction of his death and resurrection, Peter rebuking Jesus, and Jesus' teaching about taking up your cross). Why do you think Mark led up to the Transfiguration story with these details? How is all of it connected to the point of the Transfiguration?
- 2. Why was it important for the three disciples to witness Jesus's transfiguration on the mountain? How did this prepare them for what lay ahead?
- 3. In this text, we see that Jesus reveals himself to be the righteousness of God, the glory of God, and the authority of God. Why were these things important for the disciples to recognize and believe?
- 4. Why are these things important for us to recognize and believe?
- 5. In what ways do people often try to put Jesus in a "box"? Why is this tempting to do? Why is it dangerous?
- 6. Many times, we are tempted to "want a Jesus" who stays out of our business. We want the reward of salvation but not Lord. Is it possible to be born again and reject Jesus' Lordship in our lives? How does God's affirmation of Jesus in vs. 7 make this a non-negotiable?
- 7. The proper response to Jesus is to submit to him as Lord and follow him in the way of the cross. Why was this important for the 3 disciples? What does this look like in our daily lives?