

Wednesday

Read Luke 9:32

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *They were exhausted. How did they know they weren't dreaming or seeing things?*
2. *How do you imagine "glory" looks?*

Prayer Focus So often, we see you in our own image, Jesus, and seek to shape the world according to the images and agendas we carry into life. Give us grace to let go of our old ways and our self-centered agendas and seek again how you want us to fulfill your plans.

Thursday

Read Luke 9:33 *Peter makes a proposal*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Have you ever had a mountaintop experience? How did you feel when it was time to come down?*
2. *What does it mean that Peter didn't know what he said? Why was it a mistake?*

Prayer Focus As we move into Lent, we know it's time to take stock of our lives and our relationship with you. Give us courage to humbly bring our mistakes and our assumptions and our pride before you and ask forgiveness. Move deeper into our hearts, Gracious God.

Friday

Read Luke 9:34-36 *Jesus, the Chosen of God*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why did the disciples keep silent?*
2. *What is your plan for deepening—and sharing—your experience of Lent? How will you be open to God's voice?*

Prayer Focus We welcome this time of examination and reflection, Holy One. As we trace your path to the cross, we're prepared to turn around, to look to you, and let your ministry and your sacrifice for us be the center of our thoughts and our lives. Thank you.

Live Risky, Not Comfy

Pastor's message: Luke 9:28-36 *If we want to be comfortable, we can't see and experience much. But, the meaning of life is found in aligning our life at any cost with the highest ideal conceivable.*

Message Notes:

Small Group Format

Welcome

- Introductions/getting acquainted
- Mutual Invitation question: *Are you someone who welcomes and embraces change? Why or why not?*

Opening Prayer

Song (optional)

Reflection on Scripture

Have someone read: **Luke 9:28-36**

- Discuss observations about the text
 - *What word or phrase strikes you the most?*
 - *What do you think is the most important point of the text?*

Application of Scripture (The central transformative questions)

- What did you hear God say to you through this week's Scriptures?
- What are you doing about it?
- How can we support you?

Share your faith (in groups of 3)

- *How have you experienced God recently in your life?* (This is a weekly question - it may be difficult to answer at first, but if you ask it each week you may start to notice God more in your life.)

Pray for each other

Refreshments (optional)



LIVE RISKY, NOT COMFY

February 27, 2022

Monday

Read Luke 9:28-29 *On the mountain with Jesus*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *How would you respond if someone you knew suddenly, dramatically changed?*
2. *Do you think Jesus' transfiguration was necessary?*

Prayer Focus Take us up on the mountain to pray with you, Redeemer. Show us again how you are not what we imagine, that you are greater than all we can imagine, and that our preconceptions of you and your power do not even begin to describe the reality of you.

Tuesday

Read Luke 9:30-31 *Moses and Elijah with Jesus*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *What departure were they speaking of?*
2. *Why were Moses and Elijah present with Jesus on the mountain top?*

Prayer Focus We are ready to let surprise take our hearts in this season. We have wisdom from the days of our elders—prophets and leaders—and we have your assurance that following you is the way to life and hope and replenishment. Turn us back from insisting on our own way, which can so often be the way to dry bones and loss. Forgive us, Teacher. Heal us.