High Calling, Lowly Walk



On the Mountaintop

Mar 9:2 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up on a high mountain apart by themselves; and He was transfigured before them.

Mar 9:3 His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them.

Mar 9:4 And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

On the Mountaintop

Mar 9:5-6 Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"— because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid.

Mar 9:8 Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves.

Mar 9:9 Now as they came down from the mountain, He commanded them that they should tell no one the things they had seen, till the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Seeing His Glory

Mar 9:14 And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them.

Mar 9:15 Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to *Him*, greeted Him.

Mar 9:16 And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?"

Mar 9:17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit.

Mar 9:18 And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not."

Seeing His Glory

Mar 9:19 He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me."

Mar 9:20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.

Mar 9:21 So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood.

Mar 9:22 And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."

Mar 9:23 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

He knows, do we?

Heb 9:26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

John 2:25 and had no need that anyone should testify of man, for He knew what was in man.

Lowly Walk

Eph 4:1 I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,

Eph 4:2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,

Eph 4:3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Christ's Gift

Eph 4:4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling;

Eph 4:5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

Eph 4:6 one God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you all.

Eph 4:7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

We must Descend

Eph 4:8-10 Therefore He says: "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVITY CAPTIVE, AND GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."

(Now this, "HE ASCENDED"—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

Fullness of Christ

Eph 4:11-12 And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

Eph 4:13-14 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,

The Body of Christ

Eph 4:15-16 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—

from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Getting filthy

1 Cor 4:12-13 And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure;

being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now.

Suffering

Col 1:24 I now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up in my flesh what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ, for the sake of His body, which is the church,

Rom 1:1 Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, separated to the gospel of God

Purpose of Suffering

1Pet 4:12 Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

Gal 1:16 to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood,

The Gentile walk

Eph 4:17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind,

Eph 4:18 having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart;

Eph 4:19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

Put on the New Man

Eph 4:20-21 But you have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:

Eph 4:22-23 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

Eph 4:24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit

- **Eph 4:29** Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.
- **Eph 4:30** And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
- **Eph 4:31** Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.
- **Eph 4:32** And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

For me to live is Christ

Phil 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Give up your claim

Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.