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2 Corinthians 10:10 – "For some say, 'His letters are weighty and forceful, but <u>his physical</u> <u>presence is unimpressive</u>, and <u>his speaking is of no account</u>.""

Isaiah 53:2 - "...(Jesus) was not <u>[handsome] in appearance</u> that we would be <u>attracted to</u> <u>Him</u>."

I. The Glory of The Son of God. Mark 9:1-3

Mark 9:1-3 – "And He said to them, 'Truly, I say to you, there are <u>some</u> standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with <u>power</u>.' And <u>after six days</u> Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them."

Exodus 24:16 – "The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it <u>six</u> <u>days</u>. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud."

Psalm 104:1 - "...O Lord my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty."

Revelation 19:12-16 - "...on His <u>head are many crowns</u>... He is clothed in a robe <u>dipped in</u> <u>blood</u>... this is the <u>King of kings and Lord of lords</u>."

Luke 9:31 - "...(Moses and Elijah) <u>spoke of His departure (Exodus)</u>, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem."

Mark 9:7 – "Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: 'This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to Him!"

II. The Glory of Those Transformed in Christ

1. I am loved as His adopted child.

Ephesians 1:4-5 – "<u>In love</u> He <u>predestined</u> us for <u>adoption</u> to himself as <u>sons</u> <u>through Jesus</u> <u>Christ</u>, according to the <u>purpose of his will</u>."

2. I am a citizen of heaven.

Philippians 3:20 – "But our <u>citizenship is in heaven</u>, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ..."

3. I am Complete in Him.

Colossians 2:10 – "...you have been filled in Him, who is the head of all rule and authority."

4. I am free from any condemnation.

Romans 8:1 – "There is therefore now <u>no condemnation</u> for those who are <u>in Christ Jesus</u>."

5. I can live with confidence in uncertainty.

Romans 8:28 – "And we know that for those who love God <u>all things work together for good</u>, for those who are <u>called according to His purpose</u>."

6. I can live victorious.

Romans 8:37 - "In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us..."

7. I always have mercy and grace.

Hebrews 4:16 – "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may <u>receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need</u>."

8. The evil one cannot touch me.

1 John 5:18 – "We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning...God protects him, and <u>the evil one does not touch him</u>."

9. I can stop trying and start trusting.

Galatians 2:20 – "I have been <u>crucified with Christ</u>. It is <u>no longer I who live, but Christ who</u> <u>lives in me</u>. And the life I now live in the flesh <u>I live by faith</u> in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

10. I am a witness of God's greatness and goodness.

Acts 1:8 - "...you will receive power when the <u>Holy Spirit</u> has come upon you, and <u>you will</u> <u>be my witnesses</u>...to the end of the earth."

Growing Deeper This Week

- 1. What mistaken impressions do people have of Jesus today? How can they get a more accurate understanding of Him through seeing us?
- 2. What has been most transformed in your life since following Jesus? In your family? In your church over the last few years?
- 3. In Mark 9:1, what is the importance of the word *amen (let it be so)* at the very beginning of Jesus' statement, instead of it being at the end? How is this encouraging?
- 4. In what sense was Jesus changed in the transfiguration, and in what sense was He unchanged? (Philippians 2:5-11)
- 5. What is the significance of the cloud of glory coming upon the mountain? See these passages to better understand what is being shown about Jesus. (2 Chronicles 5:14 & 7:1, Exodus 40:34, Ezekiel 1:28 & 10:4, Matthew 24:30 and 1 Thessalonians 4:17)
- 6. What do you suppose Peter was thinking or feeling when he suggested building three shelters? Why might he want to stay on the mountain and not go back down into the valley? (Matthew 16:21-23)
- 7. How does the command to listen to Jesus over Moses or Elijah, affect our view of Jesus fulfilling the Old Testament? (Hebrews 1:1-3)
- 8. Read Philippians 2:6-7 and then use this scripture to praise and thank Him.