

and be treated with contempt (Mark 9:12)?

Where was it written of Elijah that *they did to him whatever they wished (Mark 9:13)?*

Reflection Questions: How am I encouraged by the faithfulness of God in keeping His promises? Do I truly understand why Jesus had to suffer, die, and rise again? How do I show my gratefulness and love to Jesus for doing this for me?

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?

Quotes to Ponder

Transfiguration will team up with resurrection ... to deal a double blow against any perceived shame in the manner of His death.

Robert H. Gundry

Christ is the One who is the answer to all our questions.

Alistair Begg

Within the will of God Jesus can be the exalted, resurrected Son of Man only as He is the suffering, rejected Son of Man.

William L. Lane

The angels heralded the birth of the Savior, John the Baptist heralded the coming of the Savior, and we herald the gospel of the Savior.

Katy Kauffman

When you worship, you are saying, "This one is worth more." At the same time you are implying, "I am worth less." Worship is the magnification of God and the minimization of self. One of the most succinct expressions of a worshipper's heart in all the New Testament came from John the Baptist: "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30).

James MacDonald



Elijah Has Come

Sermon
Notes

October 1, 2023

1. The Command (9)
2. The Conversation (10)
3. The Clarification (11-13)

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you? Encouraged you? Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

2. Read the following accounts, noting what you learn from each. Are there any contradictions? If so, how do you resolve them?
Matthew 17:9-13 —

Mark 9:9-13 —

Luke 9:37 —

3. Why does Jesus command the disciples to be silent about what they'd seen (*Mark 9:9*)?

4. Why would the disciples be able to speak of Jesus' transfiguration after His resurrection (*Mark 9:9*)?

5. How do the disciples show their lack of understanding to Jesus' death and resurrection in *Mark 9:10*?

6. What was the common understanding of the resurrection of the dead in that day by the Jews according to *John 11:21-24*?

7. Why don't the disciples ask Jesus what he meant about *the Son of Man* rising *from the dead* (*Mark 9:9-10*)?

8. Why do the disciples bring up Elijah and his coming before the Messiah in *Mark 10:11*?

9. What do we know of the Elijah to come according to the following verses?

Malachi 3:1 —

Mark 6:14-16 —

Malachi 4:5-6 —

Mark 8:28 —

Matthew 11:13-14 —

Luke 1:13-17 —

Matthew 17:11 —

John 1:19-23 —

How do we reconcile that Jesus says John the Baptist is Elijah and John says he isn't Elijah?

10. What do the following verses teach us about Israel's treatment of God's prophets?

1 Kings 19:2 —

Jeremiah 18:18, 23 —

2 Kings 6:31 —

Jeremiah 26:7-11, 20-23 —

2 Chronicles 24:20-21 —

11. How were Elijah and John the Baptist similar?

12. Why do some people think *Revelation 11:3-12* refer to Elijah?

13. Has Elijah already come or is he still yet to come? Explain.

14. Where is it *written of the Son of Man that He will suffer many things*