



II. The Visit

- God the Father was declaring to the disciples, and to Jesus for that matter, that Jesus was on the right track. God the Father approved of who Jesus was, what He was doing, and gave affirmation to Him.

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- Peter referred to this event (the transfiguration of Christ) later in life when he wrote 2 Peter 1:16-18 as a testimony to the eyewitness account of the deity of Jesus Christ.

III. Who's Elijah?

- Those that would hear about the transfiguration in light of Jesus' resurrection would be confused because it was yet a future event.

Malachi 4:5-6

- “Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD. “He will restore the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of the children to their fathers, so that I will not come and smite the land with a curse.”

III. Who's Elijah

- Based on this verse, the theologians said that before the day of the Lord could arrive-that final day of Israel's deliverance and vindication-Elijah must reappear in Israel.
- Jesus taught that John the Baptist was Elijah to come (Matt. 11:14).

III. Who's Elijah

- Jesus indicates that this isn't a reincarnation of Elijah, but it's a person who's like Elijah, who functions in the same way Elijah did in the Old Testament.
- Instead of restoring all things, the people have rejected this Elijah-figure, doing to him whatever they wanted.

Defining Moments

- The problem with defining moments is that they are only moments: they do not last. They are not meant to last.
- When the feeling fades, so does the commitment, and then it all just dies.

Defining Moments

- Defining moments are instant flashes of truth and insight that will keep us going when we are walking in darkness, or least, when things are a lot less clear.
- Do you have a pile of rocks?

So today I call you to remember...
Remember, and know that the God who
was there in that special moment, is the
same that is here with you today.

