

Matthew 17

17:1-13 – “The Transfiguration”: confirmation by God the Father that Jesus is the Son of God. (cf. Matthew 16:16)

The “transfiguration” foreshadows a new state of existence.

Moses represents the Law, Elijah the prophets.
(Note: Moses is now in the “*Promised Land*.”)

Ever wanted to hear from God? Note: they were terrified.

Instructed not to speak of the vision until after the resurrection.

Elijah to “come first”? Does *not* mean reincarnation (!).

17:14-21 – Healing the demonized son: a perspective on faith.

17:22-23 – Jesus once again foretells His suffering and death.

17:24-27 – Jesus's instruction on worrying about money.

Goes along with the Sermon on the Mount and Matthew

22:21: "...render to Caesar...."

Lesson: the disciple of Jesus should be mostly concerned about kingdom issues.