

Not Always On The Mount



They have been with Him for over two years and at last the disciples have copped on; Jesus truly is the Messiah (Matthew 16:16). Now Jesus chooses to tell them two things: the Messiah must be killed (Matthew 16:21) and they must be prepared to suffer (Matthew 16:24).

- If you had been Peter, how would you have felt when Jesus made these two statements?

- Six days later Jesus took Peter, James and John up a mountain (Matthew 17:1 – 9). What is your understanding of what took place there?

- Sometimes Jesus brings us through tough times and asks us to trust Him even though we can't understand why those things have to be. Have you ever been through a time like that? What did it mean for you to trust Jesus?

- What does it mean for you to take up your cross?

- “Sometimes Jesus disappoints.” Do you agree? Have you ever been disappointed by Jesus? What has helped you to cope with that disappointment?

- What have been some of your mountaintop experiences?

Your Reading Plan For This Week

Day 1: Matthew 18:1 – 35; Mark 9:33 – 50; Luke 9:46 – 50
Day 2: John 7:2 – 10, Matthew 19:1 – 2; Mark 10:1; Luke 9:51 – 62
Day 3: John 7:11 – 8:59
Day 4: John 9:1 – 10:21
Day 5: Luke 10:1 – 37