



Mark 1:1

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*“The beginning of the good news about Jesus  
the Messiah, the Son of God.”*

Recap: Mark's Big Question – “Who is this man?”

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Authority in teaching  
Authority over demons  
Authority to forgive sins  
Authority over nature

*“<sup>11</sup> And they asked him, “Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?” Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him.”*

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# Listen to Him

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*Mark 9:2–13*

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*“Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.”*

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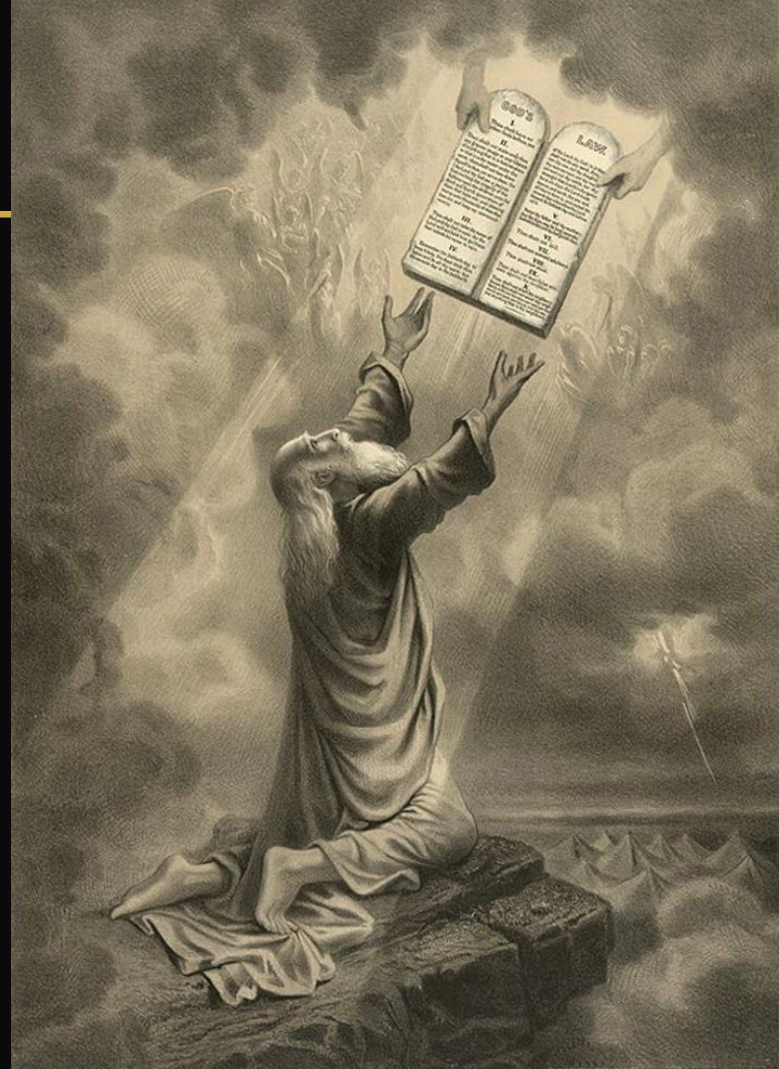
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*“And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them.”*

Exodus 24:15–16

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*“Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days.”*



## What is Transfiguration?

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*“And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.”*

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What mountain moments have you  
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rather than carry back down the  
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*“For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, ‘This is my beloved Son;’”*

*“This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.*

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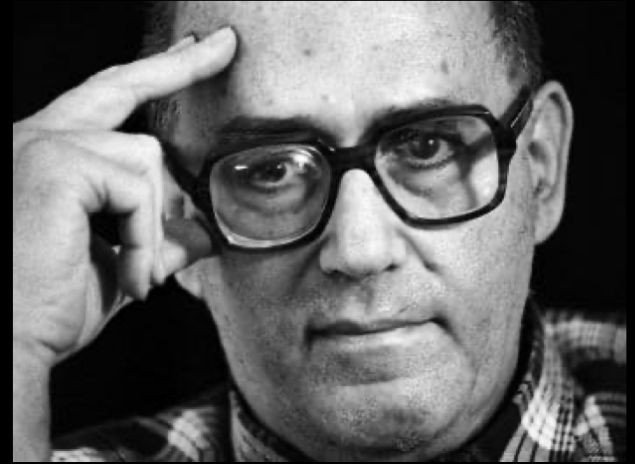
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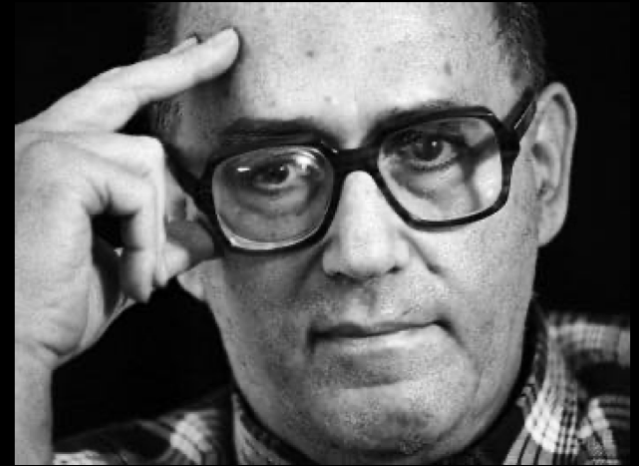
*“And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.” So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead might mean.*

Concerning the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, I was for decades a denier. I am no longer a denier, since the following deliberation has caused me to think this through anew. When these peasants, shepherds, and fishermen, who betrayed and denied their master and then failed him miserably, suddenly could be changed overnight into a confident mission society, convinced of salvation and able to work with much more success after Easter than before Easter, then no vision or hallucination is sufficient to explain such a revolutionary transformation.



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If the defeated and depressed group of disciples overnight could change into a victorious movement of faith, based only on autosuggestion or self-deception – without a fundamental faith experience – then this would be a much greater miracle than the resurrection itself.



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In a purely logical analysis, the resurrection of Jesus is ‘the lesser of two evils’ for all those who seek a rational explanation of the worldwide consequences of that Easter faith.

*The Resurrection of Jesus: A Jewish Perspective.*

Wipf and Stock, 125-126.

“But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup> And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead?”

<sup>6</sup> He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” <sup>8</sup> And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest.

<sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup> but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

Are you listening to Jesus?