

**Valley Bible Church**  
**Sermon Notes for September 7, 1986**

**The Transfiguration**  
**Part 2**  
**Matthew 17:1-13**  
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Introduction:

Hope - **Proverbs 13:6**, The more difficult the circumstances the more important hope is. Jesus asked His disciples to take up the cross and follow Him to hardship and suffering.

1. Transformation of Son
2. Presence of the Saints
3. Testimony of the Father
4. Prophecy of the Resurrection

**Matthew 12:38**, here the disciples did not understand what Jesus was talking about.

**Matthew 16:21**, here again the disciples do not comprehend the resurrection, they lose attention when Jesus tells of His pending death.

**Mark 9:9-10** clearly tells that the disciples have caught on to the “rise from the dead.”

There is no greater prophecy than Jesus saying that He would “rise again on the third day.” Jesus told the disciples many times that He would rise again.

5. Jesus explains that Elijah had come as told in **Malachi 4:4-6**.

**Verse 11**, “Elijah is coming and will restore all things.”

**Verse 12**, “Elijah has already come.” That is ‘John the Baptist’ in the spirit and power of Elijah.

**Malachi 4:5** is not fulfilled because ‘John the Baptist’ is rejected.

**Revelation 11**, again Elijah will come to pave the way of Christ's return and then **Malachi 4:5** will be fulfilled.

**2 Peter 1: 16-19**, “for we did not follow cleverly devised tales.”

This is to allow us to labor for Jesus ALWAYS.