

# Treasure Hunt

- What OT type of our Lord is reinforced by the transfiguration?
- What OT prophecy did the Lord fulfill by shining brightly?
- What portions of the OT do Moses and Elijah represent?
- What common experience do Moses and Elijah share with the Lord Jesus?
- How were the people of Malachi's day like the disciples at the end of ch. 16?
- How is Malachi's promise in 3:16-18 like the Lord's in 16:27?
- What three characters appear in Malachi 4?
- Why might Peter have wanted to build a booth on the mountain?

# Jesus as Second Moses

- Target of infanticide by a wicked king, 2:16
- Came out of Egypt, 2:14-15
- Delivered God's law from the mountain, ch. 5-7
- Revealed God to three associates on a mountain:

Matt 17:1-5	Exod 24:9-10
Mat 17:1 And after six days <b>Jesus</b> ... <b>bringeth them up</b> into an high mountain apart,	Exo 24:9 Then <b>went up</b> Moses,
taketh <b>Peter, James, and John</b> his brother,	and <b>Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu</b> , and seventy of the elders of Israel:
2 And was transfigured before them: ... 5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.	10 And they saw the God of Israel: and <i>there was</i> under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in <i>his</i> clearness.

# Why did Jesus Shine Brightly?

Mat 17:1 Jesus ... 2 ... was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

Mat 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the **glory** of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Isa 24:23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients **gloriously**.

Heb 12:22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, 23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, 24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of Abel*.

# Why Moses and Elijah?

## 1. Representatives of the Law (Moses) and the Prophets (Elijah)

Mat 5:17 Think not that I am come to destroy the **law**, or the **prophets**: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

Mat 7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the **law** and the **prophets**.

Mat 11:13 For all the **prophets** and the **law** prophesied until John.

Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the **law** and the **prophets**.

## 2. All three met God on a mountain after a 40-day fast

Moses:

Deu 9:9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water: = Exod 24; cf. 34:28

Elijah, fleeing from Jezebel, visited Horeb after a 40-day fast:

1Ki 19:5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, *Arise and eat*. 6 And he looked, and, behold, *there was* a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. 7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, *Arise and eat*; because the journey *is* too great for thee. 8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto **Horeb** the mount of God. (Mal 4:4 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in **Horeb**)

## 3. Demonstration of Malachi 3-4 (next slide)

# Moses and Elijah in Malachi 3-4

*Is there a reward for painful service?*

3:14 Ye have said, *It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?* 15 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, *they that tempt God* are even delivered.

*Yes, in a coming day:*

16 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name. 17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him. 18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

*The righteous will be rewarded, and the wicked judged:*

4:1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

*Participants: The Messiah*

2 But unto you that fear my name shall the **Sun of righteousness** arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. 3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

*Participants: Moses*

4 Remember ye the law of **Moses my servant**, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.

*Participants: Elijah*

5-6 Behold, I will send you **Elijah the prophet** before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

# Why the Booths?

Jon 4:5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and **there made him a booth**, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.



# The Voice from the Cloud

17:5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said,

**This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased;**

**hear ye him.**

Mat 3:17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, **This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**

Deu 18:15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; **unto him ye shall hearken;**

# Restoring All Things

Matt 17:11 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Elias** truly shall first come, and **restore αποκαθιστημι** all things.

Mal 4:5 Behold, I will send you **Elijah** the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 6 And he shall **turn αποκαθιστημι** the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

Act 1:6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time **restore αποκαθιστημι** again the kingdom to Israel?