

Revelations That Mark Us

The Transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain gave us up a major understanding for the disciples about Jesus and his mission. These same disciples—Peter, James, and John—later experienced other revelations. After the Transfiguration, they were present at the resurrection of the daughter of Jairus and after that at the agony of Jesus in Gethsemane.

We today, after two thousand years, are the successors of those disciples. We have participated in the same revelations, not only the revelations on the mountain but also new revelations that have marked our lives, those that have led us to us in our faith journey. These revelations put a seal on our lives; they mark us as belonging to Jesus and his mission. They allow us to emerge from sleep, paralysis, and fear in order to contemplate God. What revelations have you experienced?

The condition in which the disciples found themselves at the Transfiguration—*prostrate with fear, so much so that Jesus had to touch them as he had touched the sick and the dead*—can give us an idea of the difficulty of our world experiences in order to enter the mystery of God. In this way, we could understand the world, in the best sense, as a world prostrate with fear, like a sick or dead person who doesn't have the ability to reach the more profound spiritual

into His divine sphere.

The revelations that mark us place a seal of belonging on us; they transform us into different persons. We begin to configure ourselves to Christ and we end by transfiguring ourselves in Him. In order for this to happen, we need to allow God to work in us.

1-Let us receive dominion.

In the vision of Daniel, we understand that the Son of Man is Jesus. It is He who receives dominion, glory, and kingship. But we, the baptized, in a sacramental way, go up to the mountain with Him; we are partners in His dominion. It is a gift of God, but at the same time, it commits us to a mission. Just as it can be said that, on the mountain, Jesus receives the charge, the mission, to bring to fulfillment the Law of Moses and the prophets, represented by Elijah, we also receive dominion when we accept the mission to accompany Jesus up the mountain. This means being configured to Him. Only those who are configured to Jesus are transfigured and whoever is transfigured receives dominion.

2-Let us make known what we have seen and heard.

As we grow in our faith, we see ourselves more clearly than ever before as communicators of the glory of Jesus that we have seen with our own eyes. We think of the

behind me. A unique emotion comes to us. We sense that it is through these revelations that we interpret ourselves; we are made in the mystery of God; we must interpret ourselves as part of this mystery.

On the mountain, God wants us to hear Him; He wants us to lose the fear that we experience when we face divine reality and our future in Him.

At the top of the mountain, we can feel that God touches us in order to wake us from our lethargy, so that we can overcome the paralysis that keeps us from transcending.

At the heart of these revelations that mark us is the appeal of our Father God: that we listen to His Son, that we make a single interpretation of salvific reality. To listen to Jesus helps us to put into perspective the idols, idolatries, and fears that confound the world and keep us from entering into the mystery of God.