Discussion Questions

Tell a story about a time when an encounter with God deepened your understanding of Him, other people, or the world.

How would it change your life to see ALL things in the light of Christ?

Share about a time when you knew something true that applied to a situation/event, but after the situation/event happened, you understood that truth much more deeply.

Have you ever come to love someone and found that this helped you to see that person in a new way? To understand them differently - even things that you knew about them before? How did this happen?

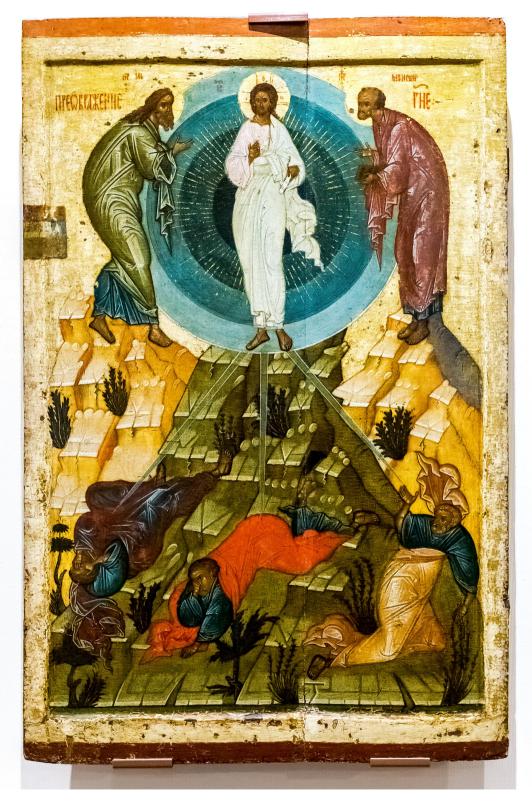
Series 2 Upcoming Dates

Monday, Jan. 29th, 7 PM, Brownstein Hall Saturday Retreat, Feb. 3rd, 9am-3:30pm, Brownstein Hall Monday, Feb. 12th, 7 PM, Brownstein Hall

For Further Reading

Pope Francis, Encyclical Letter Lumen Fidei (The Light of Faith)

God Is Here Series 2, Part 2



Christ the Prophet Invites Us to KNOW God with Him

The Word of God

The Transfiguration of the Lord: Matthew 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe.

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

Series 1 Prayer

O God, who sent your Son into the world as the true light, pour out, we pray, the Spirit he promised to sow seeds of truth constantly in people's hearts and to awaken in them obedience to the faith, so that, being born to new life through Baptism, all may become part of your one people. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

-Collect For the Evangelization of Peoples A2

Voices of the Church

"In respect to His greatness, and His wonderful glory, 'no man shall see God and live' (Ex 33:20)... but in regard to His love and kindness, and as to His infinite power, even this He grants to those who love Him, that is, to see God.... As those who see the light are within the light, and partake of its brilliance, even so, those who see God are in God, and receive of His splendor. But [His] splendor vivifies them; those, therefore, who see God, do receive life. And for this reason, He... rendered Himself visible, and comprehensible... that He might vivify those who receive and behold Him by faith" (St. Irenaeus of Lyons, 2nd century)

"Faith knows because it is tied to love, because love itself brings enlightenment. Faith's understanding is born when we receive the immense love of God which transforms us inwardly and enables us to see reality with new eyes." (Pope Francis, Lumen Fidei 26)