

The Transfiguration

by Mary Wilder Tileston

The Transfiguration is a powerful reminder of the bond between heaven and earth, bringing light and beauty to human life.

Scripture: Psalm 34:5, Matthew 17:2, Mark 9:5, 2 Corinthians 3:18, 1 John 3:2

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Description

Mary Wilder Tileston reflects on the profound significance of the Transfiguration of Jesus, emphasizing how it has brought unity between the past and present, connecting those who suffer on earth with those who have departed. The radiant light and transfigured face of Jesus have transformed ordinary human experiences and brought a glimpse of Divine beauty to uplift even the humblest pilgrims.

Transcript

And was transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light.

--MATTHEW 17:2

Master, it is good for us to be here.

--MARK 9:5

MASTER, it is good to be

Entranced, enwrapt, alone with Thee;

Watching the glistering raiment glow,

Whiter than Hermon's whitest snow;

The human lineaments that shine

Irradiant with a light Divine:

Till we too change from grace to grace,

Gazing on that transfigured face.

--A. P. STANLEY

THE Transfiguration has lived on through ages, and has shed its light upon all ages. It has brought the past into union with the present. "The decease which He should accomplish at Jerusalem" has been owned as the bond of fellowship between those who walk the earth and suffer in it, and those who are departed from it. In the light of that "countenance which was altered, of that raiment which was white and glis.tering," all human countenances have acquired a brightness, all common things have been transfigured. A glimpse of the Divine beauty has broken through the darkness, and has cheered the humblest pilgrims.

--FREDERIC DENISON MAURICE

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