

***Back to the Future:
The Original Cast***

Mark 9:1-10

Series: *“The Heart of the Matter”*

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Mark 9:1–10 (CSB) - *Then he said to them, “Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God come in power.”*

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them, ³and his clothes became dazzling—extremely white as no launderer on earth could whiten them.

⁴Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

⁵Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it’s good for us to be here. Let us set up three shelters: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—⁶because he did

not know what to say, since they were terrified.

⁷A cloud appeared, overshadowing them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my beloved Son; listen to him!”

⁸Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except

Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰They kept this word to themselves, questioning what “rising from the dead” meant.

**1. Mountain-Top
Experiences Do Come
in the Christian Life.**

Mark 9:1-4, 7 (CSB) - *Then he said to them, “Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God come in power.”*

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2 Peter 1:16–18 (CSB) - *For we did not follow cleverly contrived myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; instead, we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-*

pleased!”¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice when it came from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain.

John 1:14 (CSB) - *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

Acts 4:31 (CSB) - *When they had prayed, the place where they were assembled was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God boldly. [See also Acts 2:4, 7:54-56.]*

**2. You Can't Stay on the
Mountain: Real Life is
in the Valley.**

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***had seen until the Son of Man had risen
from the dead.***

**3. Heaven Is Going to
Be Incredible.**

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1 Corinthians 13:12 (CSB) - *For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, as I am fully known.*

Isaiah 53:2–3 (CSB) - *He grew up before him like a young plant and like a root out of dry ground. He didn't have an impressive form or majesty that we should look at him, no appearance that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by men, a man of suffering who knew what sickness was. He was like someone people turned away from; he was despised, and we didn't value him.*

Revelation 1:12–18 (CSB) - *Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me. When I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and among the lampstands was one like the Son of Man, dressed in a robe and with a golden sash wrapped around his chest. ¹⁴The hair of his head was white as wool—white as snow—and his eyes like a fiery flame. ¹⁵His feet were like fine bronze as it is fired in a furnace,*

and his voice like the sound of cascading waters. ¹⁶He had seven stars in his right hand; a sharp double-edged sword came from his mouth, and his face was shining like the sun at full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet like a dead man. He laid his right hand on me and said, “Don’t be afraid. I am the First and the Last, ¹⁸and the Living One. I was

dead, but look—I am alive forever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and Hades.