



The Necessary Transformations

Of Jesus: Matthew 16:27-17:8; Mark 9:1-10; Luke 9:27-36

Of Us: Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 3:18; Philippians 3:18

Necessary Counterfeit Transformations: 2 Corinthians 11:12-15

The Transfiguration of Jesus: Matthew 16:27-17:8; Mark 9:1-10;
Luke 9:27-36



2 Peter 1:16-20

Matthew, Mark, and Luke

Therefore we do not lose heart. [Why?] Even though our outward man is perishing [due to corruption], yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.

CORINTHIANS 4:16

and [we have put off the old man or person and] have put on the new man [or person] who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him [this new person]

COLOSSIANS 3:10

Transformation was not Necessary for the Son
of Man but Transfiguration was

Purple is Matthew, Green is Mark, Bold Black is Luke



The Harmonized Transfiguration

And He [Jesus] said unto them [all 12 of His
disciples], assuredly I tell you the truth,
there are some that stand here, who will not
taste of [physical] death, till they see the
Son of Man coming in His kingdom with
power. And it came to pass after six [or]
about eight days after these sayings,

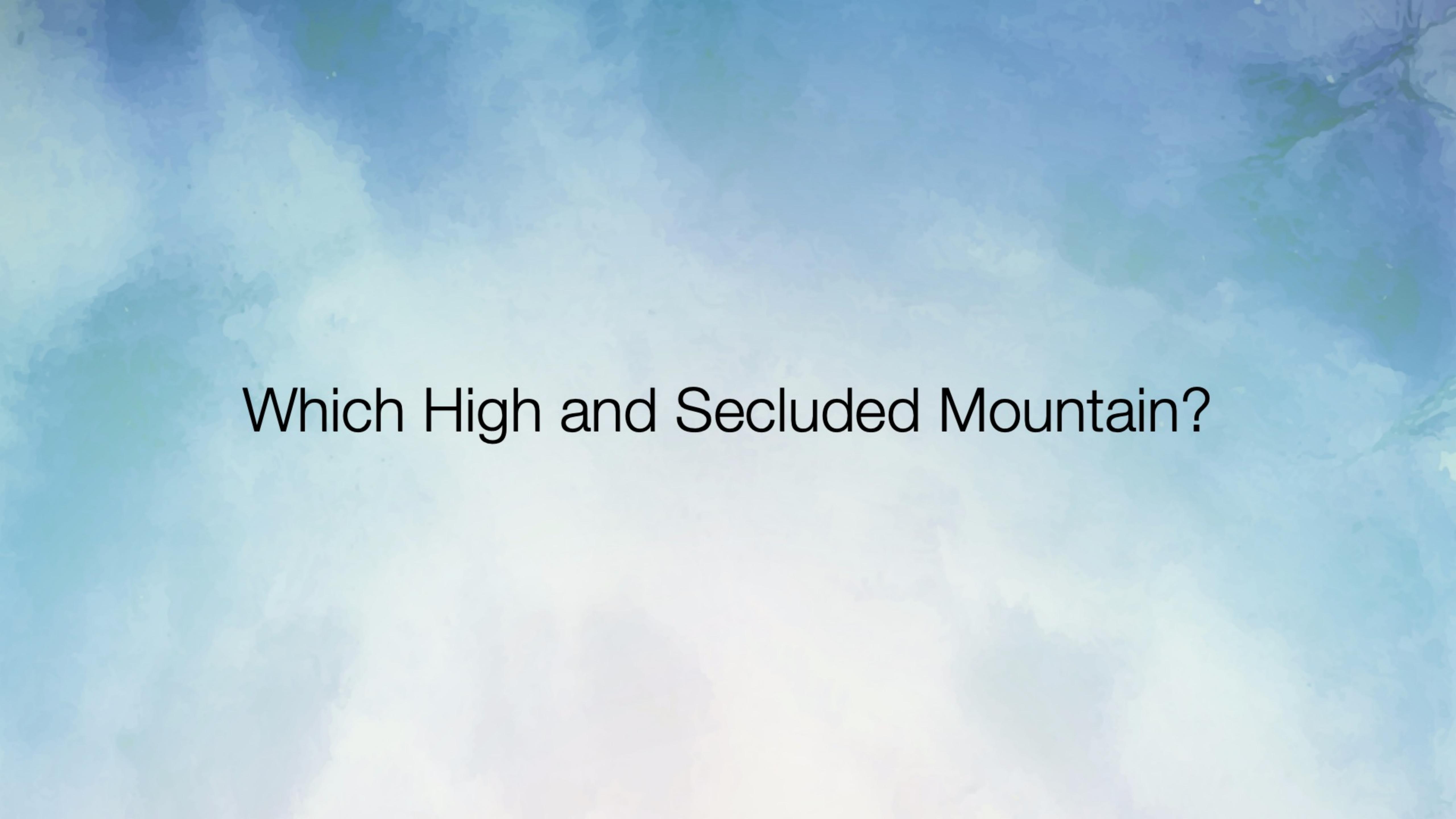
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Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother and brought them up into ‘the’ high mountain [secluded] apart by themselves to pray.

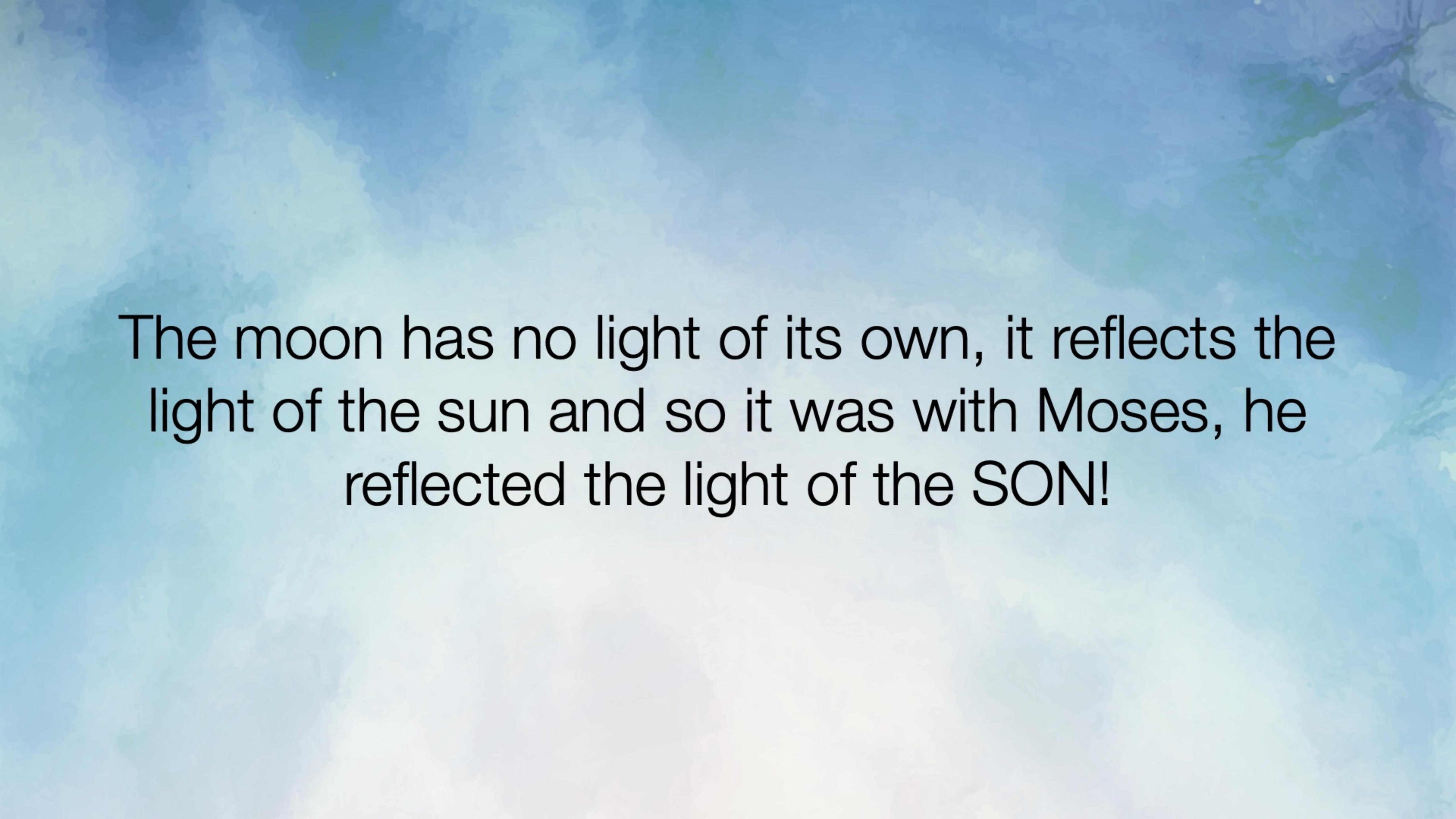
A soft-focus, painterly image of a mountainous landscape. The foreground is dominated by a misty, light blue-green color. In the background, dark, silhouetted mountain peaks rise against a lighter sky. The overall atmosphere is serene and somewhat abstract.

Which High and Secluded Mountain?

And as He was praying, the fashion of His countenance was altered, and His raiment became white and glistening. He was transfigured before them; and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light, glistening, exceedingly white as no launderer on earth can whiten them.



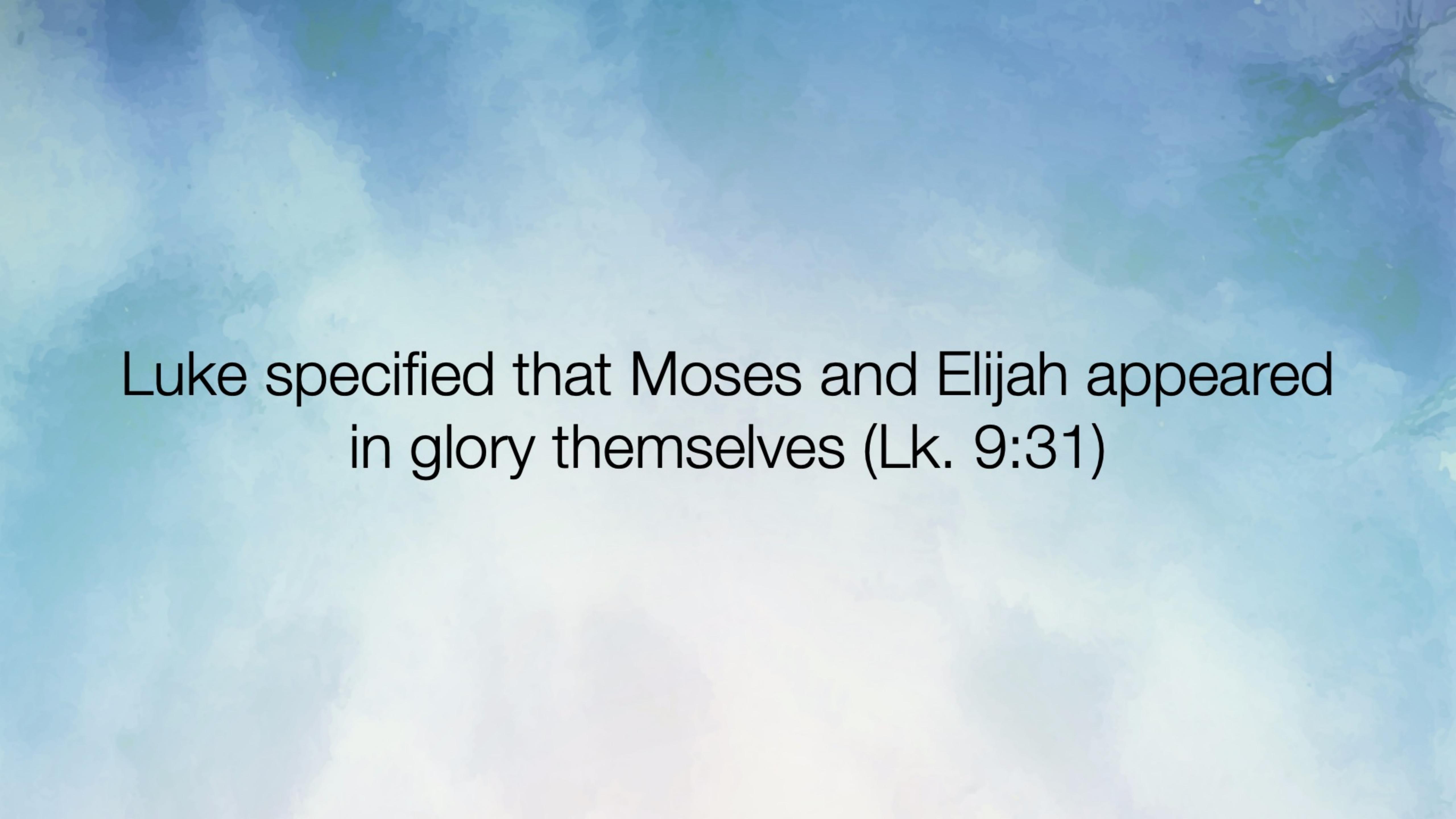
His Shining Face Versus Moses' Shining Face



The moon has no light of its own, it reflects the light of the sun and so it was with Moses, he reflected the light of the SON!

Moses and Elijah Appear with Them

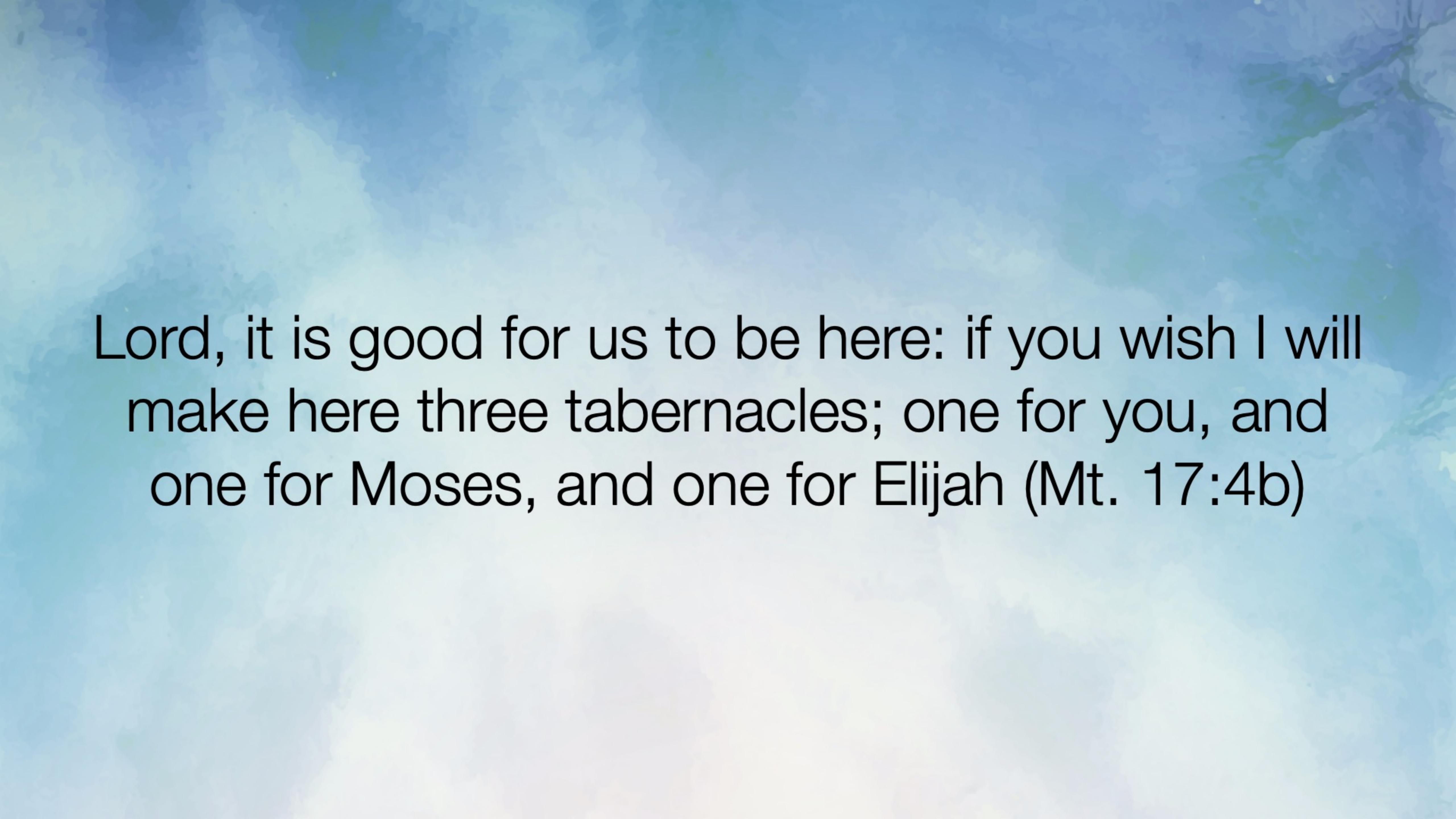
and behold, there appeared unto them two men, who were Moses and Elijah. And they were talking with Jesus who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease [or His exodus] which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.



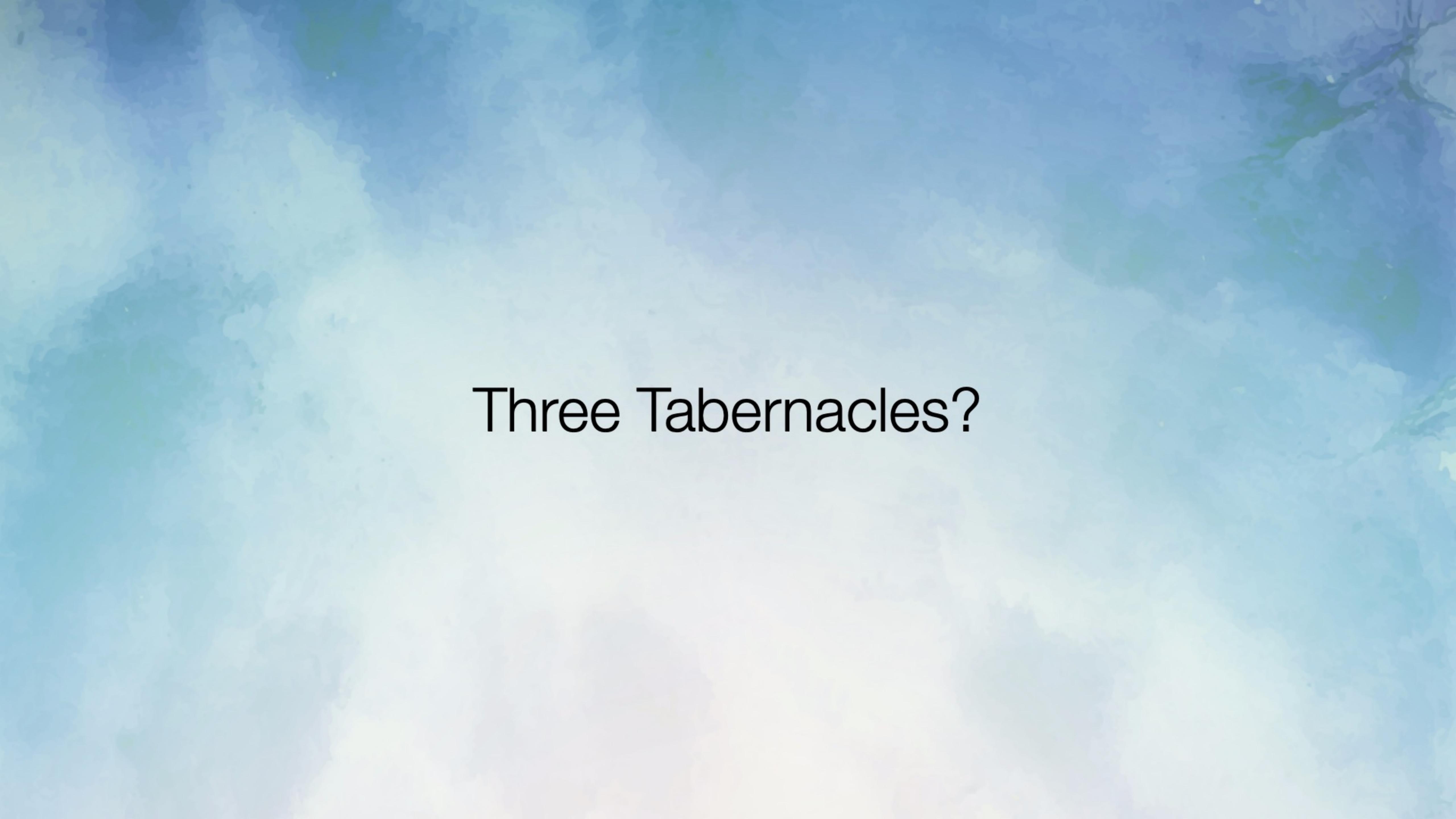
Luke specified that Moses and Elijah appeared
in glory themselves (Lk. 9:31)

Disciples Heavy with Sleep, Accompanied with Fear

Now Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep; but when they were fully awake, they saw His glory, and the two men that stood with Him. And it came to pass, as they were departing from Him Peter answered and said unto Jesus, Rabbi, Master, Lord, it is good for us to be here and let us make three tabernacles [booths or tents] if You wish, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah, for He knew not what to say for they were very afraid.



Lord, it is good for us to be here: if you wish I will make here three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah (Mt. 17:4b)



Three Tabernacles?



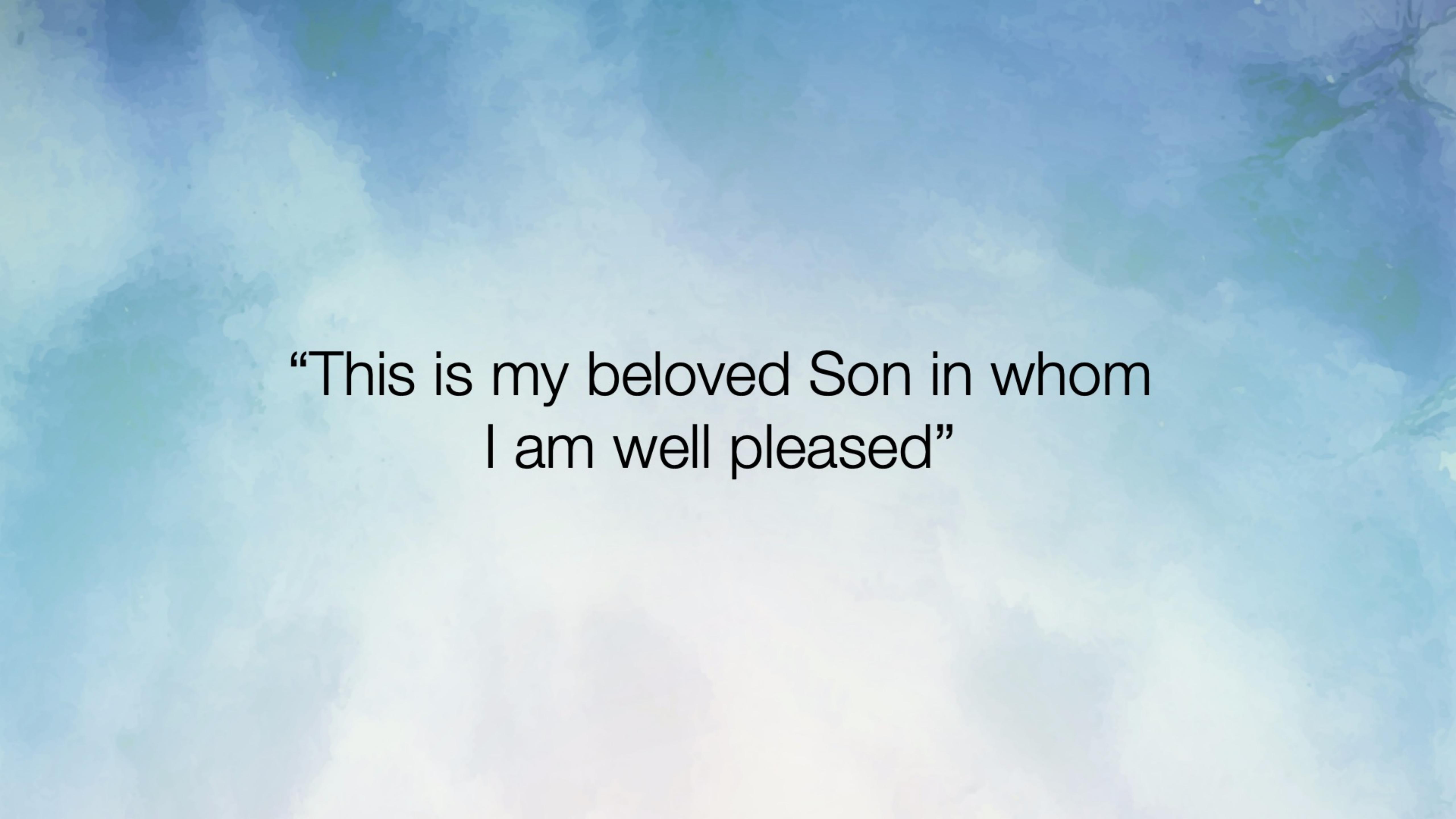
Zechariah 14:16-21



Passover B4 Tabernacles

The Cloud, the Six, and the Voice

And while he [Peter] said these things behold there came a bright cloud overshadowing them and they were afraid as they entered into the cloud and behold there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, this is My beloved Son, My chosen one, in whom I am well pleased-hear Him! And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were very afraid. And Jesus came and touched them and said, arise, and stop being afraid. And suddenly looking round about and lifting up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus with themselves for when the voice ceased, Jesus was found alone [with the disciples].



“This is my beloved Son in whom
I am well pleased”

“Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves.” (Mk. 9:8)

The Coming Down

And as they were coming down from the mountain, He charged them, that they should tell no man what things they had seen, until the Son of Man has risen again from the dead. And they kept this saying, questioning among themselves what the rising from the dead should mean. And they held their peace and told no man in those days about any of the things which they had seen. And His disciples asked Him, saying, why do the Scribes say that Elijah must first come? And He answered and said unto them, Elijah indeed will come first, and shall restore all things and He also said to them how it is written of the Son of man, that He should suffer many things, and be treated with contempt.

“The Transfiguration was the glorification of the human body of Jesus. One in glory with His divine eternal person. On this occasion His body underwent a change in form, a metamorphosis, so that it shone as brightly as the sun. He had acknowledged that He was the Messiah and predicted His death and resurrection. Now He was to reveal, to a select few, His divine glory, fully in-sync with His sinless body.”

DON STEWART

This My Beloved Son in whom I AM Well Pleased!

The Left Bookend Son of Man's Baptism

The Right Bookend Son of Man's Transfiguration

Pleased with His identification with Mankind

Start of Testing

Driven into the wilderness by the Spirit

To be tested by Satan, the Adversary

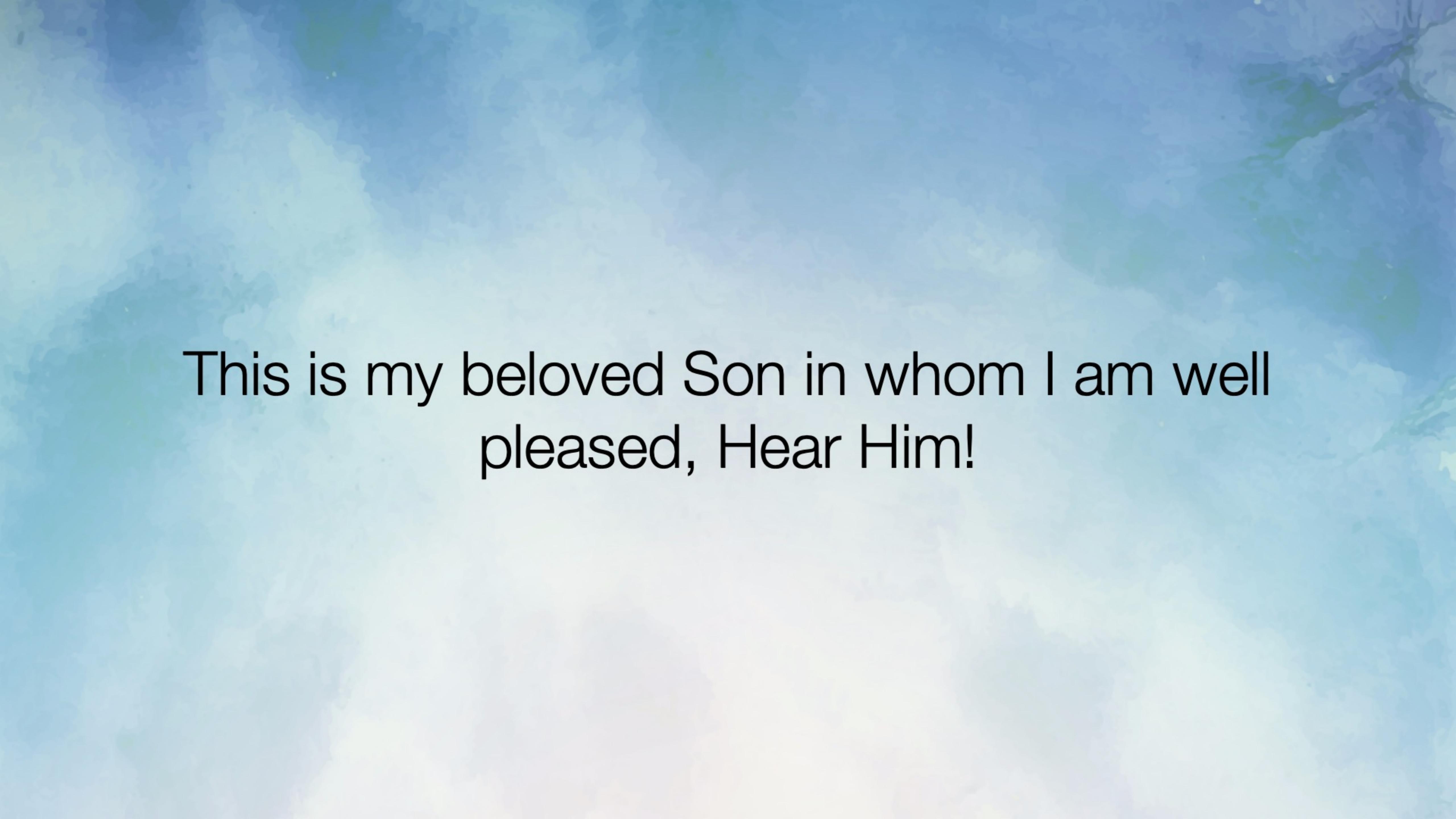
The Devil, the Accuser

→ Affirmation He Passed all spirit tests

→ He is the perfectly tested Sacrifice

Ready for the Cross

Driven into the wilderness by the Spirit ← → Ready for the Cross



This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased, Hear Him!

A landscape photograph of a forest with a blue and green color gradient overlay.

“Hear Him!”



The Transformation of Us: Romans 12:2;
2 Corinthians 3:18; Philippians 3:18

Transformation Versus Transfiguration

A close-up photograph of a blue hydrangea flower cluster. The flowers are a vibrant blue color, arranged in a dense, spherical cluster. In the background, there are green leaves and stems, some of which are slightly out of focus. The lighting is soft, creating a gentle glow around the flowers.

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And do not be conformed to this world but be TRANSFORMED by the renewing of your mind [thru the Word], that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

ROMANS 12:2

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being TRANSFORMED into the same image [of Jesus] from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

Necessary Counterfeit Transformations: 2 Corinthians 11:12-15

¹²But what I do, I will also continue to do [I will not alter my Apostolic commission to conform to this world or for my comfort], [Why?] that I may cut off the opportunity from those who desire an opportunity to be regarded just as we are [as Apostles] in the things of which they boast.

¹³For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, TRANSFORMING themselves into apostles of Christ.

¹⁴And no wonder! For Satan [the adversary] himself TRANSFORMS himself into an angel [or messenger] of light.

¹⁵Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also TRANSFORM themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.