

Mark 9:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

Analysis

Cloud came overshadowing them and voice came out cloud saying This is my beloved Son hear him. Cloud *nephelē* divine presence *Shekinah* glory. Overshadowing *episkiazousa* covering enveloping. Voice *phōnē* Father speaks. This is *houtos estin* identification. My beloved Son divine sonship. Hear him *akoute* imperative obey. Transfiguration event Father affirms Son. Similar to baptism theophany. Divine endorsement. Hear Him means obey His teaching. Moses Elijah disappear only Jesus remains. He is final revelation superior to law prophets. Reformed theology affirms Christ supremacy Hebrews 1:1-2 final word. Scripture centers on Christ.

Historical Context

Transfiguration previews glorified Christ. Mountain setting echoes Sinai Moses Elijah representing law prophets. Cloud represents divine presence as Sinai Tabernacle Temple. Voice same as baptism identifies Jesus confirms Sonship. Hear Him command to obey. Peter wanted three tabernacles equal Jesus Moses Elijah. Father corrects focuses solely on Jesus. Jesus is superior final revelation. Early church understood this supremacy. Medieval church sometimes elevated tradition saints equal Scripture Christ. Reformation recovered *sola Scriptura solus Christus*. Christ alone final authority.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. What does Father command hear him teach about Christ authority over law and prophets?
2. How does transfiguration previewing glory encourage believers facing current suffering?

Interlinear Text

καὶ ἐγένετο νεφέλης ἐπισκιάζουσα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἤλθεν
And there was a cloud that overshadowed him And came
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φωνὴ ἐκ τῆς νεφέλης λέγοντα, Οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱός
a voice out of a cloud saying This is Son
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μου ὁ ἀγαπητός αὐτοῦ ἀκούετε
my beloved him hear
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Additional Cross-References

2 Peter 1:17 (Love): For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matthew 3:17 (Love): And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Mark 1:11 (Love): And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Revelation 1:7 (Parallel theme): Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Hebrews 2:1 (Parallel theme): Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

John 20:31 (Parallel theme): But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

John 6:69 (Parallel theme): And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

John 1:34 (Parallel theme): And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

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