






FOLLOWERS – LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Number and Title
9	2	4	CELEBRATIONS	AFTER PASCHA	35: Transfiguration:

Use the syllabus framework to complete above. Infants: 20 minutes; Juniors: 30 minutes; Middles & Seniors: 45 minutes

							
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Tick the appropriate box(es) above [copy this:] for the modes of learning being used in this session.

Prayer: You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, / revealing Your glory to Your disciples as far as they could bear it. / Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, / through the prayers of the Theotokos. / O Giver of Light, glory to You!
Troparion of Transfiguration (sing if possible)

Starter: '1 minute's silence' challenge. Stay quiet for 1 minute. After that try to describe any sound or voices you heard during this moment of silence. Explain to the children that sometimes we need to be able to remain silent to focus on something important that we need to hear. Today we will see how Jesus had a very important message to share with His disciples that they need to hear.

Learning objectives: To learn the meaning and significance of the Feast Day of the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ, and identify the main characters that witnessed the event.

Core Activities and Learning

Introduction: The Transfiguration is one of the Twelve Great Feasts of the Orthodox Church, celebrated on the 6th of August. Described in the first three Gospels (Matthew 17: 1-9; Mark 9: 2-8; Luke 9: 28-36),

Read the story from the children's Bible.

Ask children the following questions:

- What does the word "transfigured" mean?
- Who was transfigured in this Gospel reading? Who was with Him when it happened?
- Who did the disciples see speaking to Jesus on the mountain?
- God the Father spoke from the bright cloud. What did He say about Jesus?
- How did the disciples feel when God the Father spoke to them? How do you know?
- When did Jesus say that the disciples should tell about what they had just seen?

Group activity: Bring the icon of the Transfiguration of Christ. Ask children to describe the context. For your answers, you can see the link below: <https://iconreader.wordpress.com/2011/08/06/transfiguration-icon-the-event-and-the-process/>

Match the name with the description on Activity Sheet 35.

Resources: The Bible, Matthew 17:1-9, Activity Sheet 35

Review: Christ was transfigured by the Uncreated Light which He is in His divinity. We are called to share in that Light through our growth in holiness.

Follow Up: Research: "The Uncreated Light".