

Parts of the Sermon on the Mount are found in Luke 6:20-49. With minor changes. Luke states that it took place on "a level place."

The Mount of Transfiguration experience is recorded in Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-8, and Luke 9:28-36.

Mountain #1: Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7)

1. Jesus' most beautiful sermon. Highlights include:
 - ✦ The Beatitudes.
 - ✦ We are to be the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world."
(5:13-16)
 - ✦ "Love your enemies" because God loves those who hate Him. (5:43-47)
 - ✦ The Lord's Prayer.
 - ✦ "Do not worry about your life ... But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you." (6:25, 33)
 - ✦ "Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (7:7)
 - ✦ The wise and foolish builders.
2. Matthew portrays Jesus as a new Moses. Jesus is on a mountain giving the commandments in a stricter form (5:17-36). Jesus came "not to abolish [laws] but to fulfill them" (5:17).
3. Jesus is making it clear that everyone is a sinner and the Old Testament law cannot save anyone. (5:22, 5:28, 5:44, 5:48)

Mountain #2: Mount of Transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36)

1. Jesus is revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration.
2. Jesus gets an endorsement from both Moses (representing the law) and Elijah (representing the OT prophets). Matthew wants Jews to know that Jesus is not something new but a continuation and fulfillment of the Old Testament. Both the law and prophets point to Jesus who is the promised Messiah.
3. Moses' endorsement calls to mind Moses' words in Deuteronomy 18:15, "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me among your brothers. You must listen to him." This is confirmed by God's words from heaven on the Mount of Transfiguration, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." (Luke 9:35)
4. On the mountain, Jesus spoke with Moses and Elijah about his "departure," (9:31). The Greek word for this is "exodus." What Jesus will accomplish through his "exodus" through the cross parallels the Old Testament exodus from Egypt led by Moses. Jesus led humanity out of its slavery to sin, death and the devil ~~and~~ His blood was shed.

**The
Gospels**

**THE ABCS OF THE
GOSPEL STORY**

**A-Z
Review**

- A** Annunciation
- B** Birth
- C** Coronation
- D** Desert Temptations
- E** Evening Encounter
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- G** Galilean Ministry
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- I** I Am
- J** Jewish Opposition
- K** Kingdom Teachings (parables)
- L** Lost Son
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- O** Open Mouths Filled
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- Q** Questions of Divinity
- R** Raising of Lazarus
- S** Sunday of Palms
- T** Temple Cleansing
- U** Unhappy Night (Maundy Thursday)
- V** Vanishing Acts (Garden of Gethsemane)
- W** Whips and Witnesses (trial)
- X** EXecution
- Y** Yells at the Cross
- Z** Zenith of ~~OUR~~ Life - The World's Hope