

2nd Sunday of Lent Year A

1. My Grandfather in Lancaster – great for stories – 1st Car

A boy & Circus in town

Father gives him \$1

He goes, sees the parade & gives the last clown the \$1 THEN GOES HOME

WHAT HAPPENED

He thought he'd seen the circus

All he'd seen was the preview - and a glimpse of what was to come

2. TRANSFIGURATION

Peter, James and John climb the mountain top

Jesus Moses and Elijah are Transfigured – dazzling white!

Peter “Let’s build tents” – he hardly knew *what* to say – he didn’t want it to end!

All they'd seen was the preview - and a glimpse of what was to come

-but then-

The cloud overshadows them:

“THIS IS MY BELOVED SON – LISTEN TO HIM”

It’s in the cloud, that they get the message

I noticed something new “bright cloud” – Light of Christ shines on their
misunderstanding – doubt –
fear.

This Lent – where does the light of Christ need to shine in your life?

What is the darkness that remains in our life? Fear, our brokenness, doubt.

What still needs conversion?

Lent sends us on a journey of faith, reexamining our lives, affirming the promise.

- Jesus’ journey of faith leads to Jerusalem, to sacrifice and glory

3. Lent can be our journey through sacrifice to glory

But the glory we experience – our mountain top, like Apostles, is

the preview - only a glimpse of what is to come

The reason we have mountaintop experiences is to bring them down to the valley.

Nothing grows on the mountaintop

Everything grows in the valley

Lent is where rubber meets the road

Lent is where we recall our mountaintop experiences & bring them to the valley