

THE GREAT WENCHOSTER BIBLE

Mark 9: 2-9

2. And on the sixth day it was the weekend, and Jesus sayeth unto Peter, and James, and John, Come apart with me up unto an high mountain, for something is about to take place, and I wanteth not to be alone. And after much hard walking up a steep incline upon a very rough path they reached the top, and did pant a bit, and at the summit He was transfigured before them.
3. And his raiment became shining, exceeding the whiteness of snow and with all wine stains removed; so as no fuller on earth can white them, for they knew not about biological cleaning fluids nor gels; neither had bleach been given unto them, for these had not yet been revealed unto them.
4. And lo! There appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus, telling stories, comparing beards, and laughing at many jokes that were beyond the understanding of the disciples.
5. And Peter answered (for he had been asked a question, but no one thought to record what it was) and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here, for there were many tasks to be fulfilled on the fishing boat which I was not looking forward to doing. Rowlocks, for one. Let us make three tabernacles (he meant booths or shelters, not, let the reader understand, a box for the reserved sacrament, for the latter had not yet come to pass;) one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. Just in case it rains.
6. For he wist not what to say, and he hath a talent for engaging mouth before brain; and the disciples were exceeding sore after the climb, and afraid.
7. And suddenly the weather did change, and a cloud overshadowed them in a very scriptural way. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, Where art thou? And Jesus did cough loudly, and the voice saith, Ah! There you are! And unto them the voice sayeth, This is my beloved Son: do pay attention!
8. And suddenly, the cloud lifteth, and when the disciples had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves, and there were none other to be seen but Him. Verily.
9. And as they came down from the mountain, taking care not to slip on the smooth stones which were dampened from the cloud, He charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, nor the jokes they had heard, for He wanted to keep those secret against future use after the Son of Man were risen from the dead.