2nd Sunday in Lent

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Peter, James, and John were given a glimpse of God’s glory, and our future glory, in the Transfiguration when Jesus revealed himself as true God and true man. In the Transfiguration, Jesus showed them what lay ahead for them, for all his followers, you and me, if we but pass through the Cross and remain faithful, hopeful, and loving. At the Transfiguration, Jesus revealed himself as God and extends to all of us a tremendous promise: “You too will be transfigured into the glory of God if you take up your cross and follow me.”

“Follow me. All the way to Calvary; all the way to Golgotha; all the way to the Tomb, then all the way to heaven itself.” Jesus says. What is the Cross in your life? Lent is a time to confront whatever it is.

Lent is a time to change. Not only minor changes, but real a change of heart, a time to embrace whatever the Cross may be in our lives. During this Lent, we can ask ourselves whether we will be faithful until the end. Whether we will accept the Cross and pass through it to new life, whether or not we will let fear of change, fear of the Cross, keep us from inheriting God’s promise of glory with him in heaven. May all of us trust Jesus to be with us now as we embrace the crosses of our live, and forever with us in glory in the life to come.