

BEFORE GOD'S THRONE

ISAIAH 6



See God, See Ourselves

- A view of God is one that can hardly be looked upon (v. 1-2; cf. Ex. 33:10; 2 Cor. 12:4; Rev. 4).
- Imagine yourself in Isaiah's shoes for a moment (v. 3-4).
- His reaction is not delight, joy, nor even mere wonder (v. 5; cf. Job 42:4-6; Lk. 5:8; Rom. 7:24; Jas. 1:24).
- In focusing on the love of God to the neglect of His holiness, we miss out on both.

Repentance and Cleansing

- Recognition and repentance brings forgiveness (v. 6-7; cf. 2 Sam. 12:13; 1 Jn. 1:9).
- This does not sound like a pleasant process to go through (1 Pet. 1:6-7).
- Have you sought a way to remove sin from your record but not from your heart (Psa. 51:1-2).
- You cannot go around preaching about becoming holy when you are just like the world (2 Cor. 6:14-18).

Send Me

- God does not press Isaiah into service but makes the general call (v. 6:8).
- There is a great pressing burden on the one who feels what Isaiah feels (Rom. 1:14; 1 Cor. 9:16).
- The charge is not given with hopefulness (v. 9-12; 2 Tim. 3:12; 4:3-4).
- Is there a danger of this leading to arrogance or callousness (1 Tim. 1:13-16).
- But there is some hope here too (v. 13).