

Prophets and Kings: The Holy God Reveals Himself to Isaiah Isaiah 6:1-8

God's Holiness – Perfection, uniqueness and separateness.

Isaiah 43:15 - "I am the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."

Job 6:10 - "...I rejoice in severe pain...I have not denied the words of the Holy One."

1 Samuel 2:2 - "There is no one holy like the LORD, Indeed, there is no one besides You..."

Psalms 47:8 - "God reigns over the nations, God sits on His holy throne."

Psalms 77:13 - "Your way, O God, is holy; What god is great like our God?"

Psalms 99:5 - "Exalt the LORD our God...Holy is He."

Leviticus 22:32 - "You shall not profane My holy name, but I will be sanctified among the sons of Israel; I am the LORD who sanctifies you."

Psalms 33:21 - "For our heart rejoices in Him, because we trust in His holy name."

Isaiah 5:16 - "But the LORD of hosts will be exalted in judgment, And the holy God will show Himself holy in righteousness."

John 17:11 - "I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to You Holy Father, keep them in Your name, the name which You have given Me, that they may be one even as We are."

Acts 4:27 - "...they were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus..."

2 Peter 1:21 - "For no prophecy had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit."

1 Peter 1:15-16 - "But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'"

Hebrews 12:14 - "...without holiness no one will see the Lord."

I. God is Holy and Glorious. (Isaiah 6:1-4)

II. We are Sinful and Broken without God. (Isaiah 6:5)

1. Missing the mark.
2. Willfully stepping across the line.
3. Breaking God's commandments.
4. Corrupt

III. In Christ we get grace and a mission. (Isaiah 6:6-8)

Why Confess our Sins as Believers?

1. For cleansing and restoration in our relationships.

Matthew 5:23-24 - "Jesus said, 'Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.'"

2. For healing of the body in the body.

James 5:13-16 - "Is anyone among you suffering?... Is anyone among you sick?... pray... call the elders...if he has committed sins he will be forgiven..."

Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

3. For effectiveness in our mission.

1 Peter 3:7 - "You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way... show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered."

Matthew 6:12, 9 - "And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Our heavenly Father... Honor be to Your name."

John 12:32 - "Jesus said, 'If I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men to Myself.'"

Faith Sheet for Friends and family This Week

1. What comes to mind when you think of the word *holy*?
2. Why do you think God is so serious about expressing His holiness?
3. What is the difference between keeping a list of moral rules and being conformed to Christ and His character?
4. How can we rest in the grace of God while simultaneously fearing Him?
5. What purpose does confession of sin serve after we have a new relationship in Christ?
6. What is the relationship between Isaiah's experience of forgiveness and cleansing and his willingness to volunteer to be God's messenger? Read Psalm 51 together and see how cleansing leads to greater ministry.