

## Whom Shall I Send? Who Will Go for Us?

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

### Outline

**Introduction:** The greatest danger facing any nation is not the reduction of military might or economic power; it is the loss of God's blessing due to unbelief and disobedience to His Word. The first place that danger is felt is not in the media or the pop culture but in the church. In the book, *Knowledge of the Holy*, A.W. Tozer makes this accurate evaluation of the church today: "To regain her lost power, the church must see heaven opened and have a transforming vision of God." Isaiah was given a vision of God followed by a question from God that challenges us today.

### Isaiah's vision of God changed everything - *Isaiah 6:1-8*

1. Isaiah's vision revealed God as the sovereign Controller of all things. **Vs. 1, "In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne."**

2. Isaiah's vision revealed God as "exalted and lofty" above all false gods. **Vs. 1, "high and exalted"**

The six gods that attempt to capture the affection of God's people:

- The god of materialism - V. 8, "**Woe to those who add house to house and join field to field.**"
- The god of pleasure - V. 11, "**Woe to those who rise early in the morning that they may pursue strong drink.**"
- The god of convenience - V. 18, "**Woe to those who drag iniquity with the cord of falsehood, and sin as if with cart ropes.**"
- The god of moral relativity - V. 20, "**Woe to those who call evil good and good evil.**"
- The god of success - V. 21, "**Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes.**"
- The god of corrupt heroes - V. 22, "**Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, And valiant men in mixing strong drink.**"

3. Isaiah's vision revealed God in perfect holiness. **Vs. 2-4, "Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."**

4. Isaiah's vision revealed God in His forgiveness of sin. **Vs. 6-7, "Then one of the seraphs flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched**

***my mouth and said, 'See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.'***

5. Isaiah's vision revealed God's great question to His servants. ***Vs. 8, "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?'"***
  
6. Isaiah's vision calls for a personal response to God's mission. ***Vs. 8, "Here I am Lord. Send me!"***