



Lesson Two: The Holiness of God Robby Higginbottom | January 23, 2024

Isaiah 6:1-8

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. ² Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of His glory!”

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

⁸ And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”

“In this hurrying, bustling world, let us stand still
for a few minutes and consider the matter of holiness.”

J.C. Ryle, *Holiness*, p. 41



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Discussion Questions:

1. When we say “God is holy,” what does that mean?
What do the different definitions teach us about God and about ourselves?
2. When Isaiah caught a true glimpse of God’s holiness, how did he respond? (6:1-5)
3. Isaiah saw this vision in the year that King Uzziah died (6:1).
When and how has the Lord opened our eyes to see His holiness and our sin?
4. What did the angel do for Isaiah in verses 6 and 7? Did Isaiah expect or deserve this?
5. What does our holy God demand from us?
What does our gracious God provide for us?
6. How can an unholy man become holy?
How do we grow in holiness?
7. In *The Holiness of God*, RC Sproul writes,
“God was able to take a shattered man and send him into the ministry.” (6:8)
How is God writing the same story in your own life?
When we feel disqualified to be sent or used by God, what do we need to remember?