
Your vision of God defines your world and witness.

ONE: ...your vision of political, material & family circumstances.
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TWO: ...your view of sin, repentance & cleansing.
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THREE: ...your view of "the resurrection faith" you share with others.
6.8-13

Interact with Isaiah 6 with these thoughts/questions:

1. Meditate and respond to passages on the greatness of God such as Isa 6.1-4; Isa 40; John 1.1-13; Colossians 1.15-20; Revelation 4-.
2. Isaiah 6 flows from chapters 1-5: because God is God and has created and chosen a people, the people have ultimate purpose and a pathway to satisfaction and usefulness. When they see more clearly who has called them (Isa 6) they see their brokenness and cry for cleansing. How is this perspective vital for home, church and interactions with our neighbors?
3. Isaiah (vv. 8-13) doesn't have an easy task. Israel's wrong choices make them unwilling/unable to hear. Jesus builds on this reality (compare Isa 6.10 with Matt 13.14-15), quoting Isaiah in teaching of the sower/soils. He does not want his disciples who do have ears to hear to be discouraged when others reject him/them. How can we apply this to the church in 21st C. America?

IN THE LORD'S SUPPER Christ's church, proclaims his saving death until he comes to redeem us fully and then make all things new.

1 Cor 11.29 calls us to discern "the body" lest we eat and drink judgment. Christ, the head, calls together the church as his body, where he breaks down all human dividing walls. Baptized believers, recognizing this, join themselves to gospel-proclaiming churches. All who have done so are welcomed to partake, to be nourished, finding life in Christ, who by his Spirit pours out life from the Father's side.

Prayers for those Not Ready to Partake

A Prayer to Search for Truth: Lord Jesus Christ, you claim to be the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14.6). Grant that I might not be hindered by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons I should. If your claims are true, nothing is as important as what you say. Guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me understanding that is coherent and convincing, that satisfies my deepest needs. Lead me toward the life with you and your people that you promise (1 John 1.1-4). *Amen.*

Crying Out to God for New Life: Lord Jesus Christ, I am weaker and more rebellious toward God than I've ever admitted. Yet, you offer love and acceptance greater than I've dared to hope. I admit my need for a new kind of life—your life. Thank you for making peace with God possible. You paid my sin's debt on your cross. You took judgment meant for me; you offer me forgiveness and fellowship. Believing you've been raised from the dead, I turn and start seeking my deepest satisfactions in you. I accept you as God and Ruler. I receive you as Savior and Life. Needing you always, I begin to rest upon you for forgiveness, for growth in trusting you, for love like yours toward my neighbors, and for a longing for the new heaven and earth you'll bring when you return. *Amen.*