

Week 33: Isaiah's Vision - Holy, Holy, Holy

A Sabbath Family Bible Study

Introduction

Isaiah lived in a time of national instability, moral decay, and spiritual compromise. Kings rose and fell, but God remained the authority. In the year King Uzziah died, Isaiah was given a vision that reshaped his understanding of God, sin, worship, and calling. Before Isaiah could speak for God, he had to see and understand God rightly.

This week teaches families that true obedience begins with reverence, true repentance begins with holiness, and true calling can only begin after sin is confessed and cleansed. A household that understands who God is will never treat Him lightly.

Scripture Reading (KJV)

Isaiah 6:1-13

Isaiah 6:1–4 - The Lord Enthroned

1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Commentary

Isaiah's vision begins not with comfort but with awe. God is not approachable on human terms, He is enthroned, exalted, and holy beyond measure. Even the angels cover themselves in His

presence. Worship that lacks this level of reverence has lost sight of God's holiness. A family that sees God rightly will learn humility, order, and fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 6:5–7 - Conviction and Cleansing

5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

Commentary

When Isaiah saw God's holiness, he immediately saw his own sin. His holiness exposes our impurity without excuse. Isaiah did not defend himself or compare himself to others, he confessed. God responded not with destruction, but with cleansing, because confession invites mercy. This shows us no one can speak for God until they have been purified by Him.

Isaiah 6:8 - The Call to Serve

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

Commentary

Only after cleansing does calling come. Isaiah did not volunteer before he repented; he answered after purification. True service flows from humility, not ambition. God still asks, "Who will go?" and faithful households still answer, "Here am I."

Isaiah 6:9–13 - A Difficult Commission

9 And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,

12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.

13 But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose substance is in them, when they cast their leaves: so the holy seed shall be the substance thereof.

Commentary

Isaiah's mission would not be easy or popular. God warned him that many would hear but refuse to obey. Yet God preserved a remnant, the "holy seed." Faithfulness is not measured by response but by obedience. Families must be willing to stand for truth even when few listen.

Discussion Questions for All Ages

Young Children

- Who did Isaiah see on the throne?
- What word did the angels repeat?
- What did God clean with the coal?

Older Children & Teens

- Why did Isaiah feel unclean when he saw God?
- What does this teach about confession and repentance?
- Why did Isaiah still agree to serve even when the message was hard?

Adults

- How does reverence for God shape family leadership and discipline?
 - What happens when holiness is replaced with familiarity?
 - Are we willing to obey God even when obedience is costly?
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Psalm Reading

Psalm 99:1–5 (KJV)

1 The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people.

3 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.

Commentary

God's holiness demands reverence. Worship begins with trembling, not entertainment. Families that exalt the Lord will learn to walk in justice, humility, and order.

Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

By Reginald Heber (1826)

1.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2.

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
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Family Application Points

1. **Restore Reverence**
Teach your household to approach God with awe, humility, and respect.
 2. **Confess Quickly**
Sin must be acknowledged honestly and cleansed before service begins.
 3. **Answer the Call**
God still calls families to obedience—be ready to say, “Here am I.”
 4. **Remain Faithful**
Obedience matters even when results are unseen or rejected.
 5. **Raise a Holy Seed**
Commit to raising children who fear the Lord and honor His holiness.
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A Sabbath Feast Prayer

Holy God, enthroned above all creation, we thank You for Your mercy and Your cleansing grace. As we sit at this table, bless this food before us and bless the loving hands that prepared it. Teach our family to walk in reverence, humility, and obedience before You. Purify our hearts,

govern our home by Your truth, and make our household a witness to Your holiness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Closing Prayer

Lord God Almighty, You are holy beyond measure. Teach our family to see You rightly, to fear You faithfully, and to serve You humbly. Cleanse us where we are unclean, correct us where we are careless, and strengthen us where we are weak. Make our home a place where reverence governs, obedience endures, and Your glory is honored. May we be ready to answer Your call in every season. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.