

OUR HOLY GOD

Isaiah 6:1-13
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1. Where do we establish our vision of Christ? What vision should we have?
2. Who has the correct vision of Christ?

A HOLY PICTURE (v.1-4)

1. Isaiah's vision took place in the year of King Uzziah's death. He was a fairly good king who ruled over Judah 52 years beginning when he was just sixteen years old (2 Chron.26:1-23).
2. Isaiah sees the Lord (cf. Exod.33:20; 18-23; 34:29-30).
3. Has anyone ever seen God fully (cf. Matt.5:8; 1 Cor.13:12)? No one has ever seen God (John 1:18; 1Tim.6:16).
4. God is holy to the superlative degree (v.3). God gives us no other superlative description of himself.
5. Why does God reveal to us this picture of his glorious presence?

A HOLY PAIN (v.5)

1. Every true vision of Christ will cause us some pain. We will be in pain over our sinfulness.
2. To be "ruined" means to be "coming apart at the seams." Why does Isaiah experience such pain in the presence of God?
3. Illustration of "no profanity."

A HOLY PARDON (v.6-7)

1. The divine act of cleansing (cf. 1Tim.1:15; Matt.1:21).
2. Isaiah confessed, "Woe is me; I am unclean. God forgave and cleansed him (cf. 1 John 1:9).

A HOLY PROCLAMATION (v.8-13)

1. This passage clearly points to the three persons in the Godhead with the use of the third person plural "us" (cf. Gen.1:26).
2. Every Christian is called to be a proclaimer (cf. 2 Cor. 5:18-21).
3. Realize God did not intend for everyone to receive the good news and message of Christ (cf. John12:39-41; Matt.13:14-17).

4. Our message of Christ is to be proclaimed out of obedience regardless of our comfort (v.11, 22). The good news is that some will be saved (v.13).

ACTION STEPS:

1. ***Don't settle for a small quaint view of God.*** "Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His Throne." See Jesus as king!
2. ***Maintain a holy vision of Christ even though it brings us pain.*** The holy view of Christ, magnifies our sinfulness and it is not manageable by us. That is not always pleasant. However, there is no eternal, genuine joy of forgiveness without the pains of repentance.
3. ***Rejoice in the forgiveness offered us by God and be ever requesting it.*** Forgiveness for our sins is available through Jesus. Good news!
4. ***Don't keep the good news of the reconciling work of Christ to ourselves.*** Though only a small portion of the people will receive the glorious news of Christ, proclaim it. God will bless us as we reveal Christ to others.