

# Warped People, Right Worship

Isaiah 6





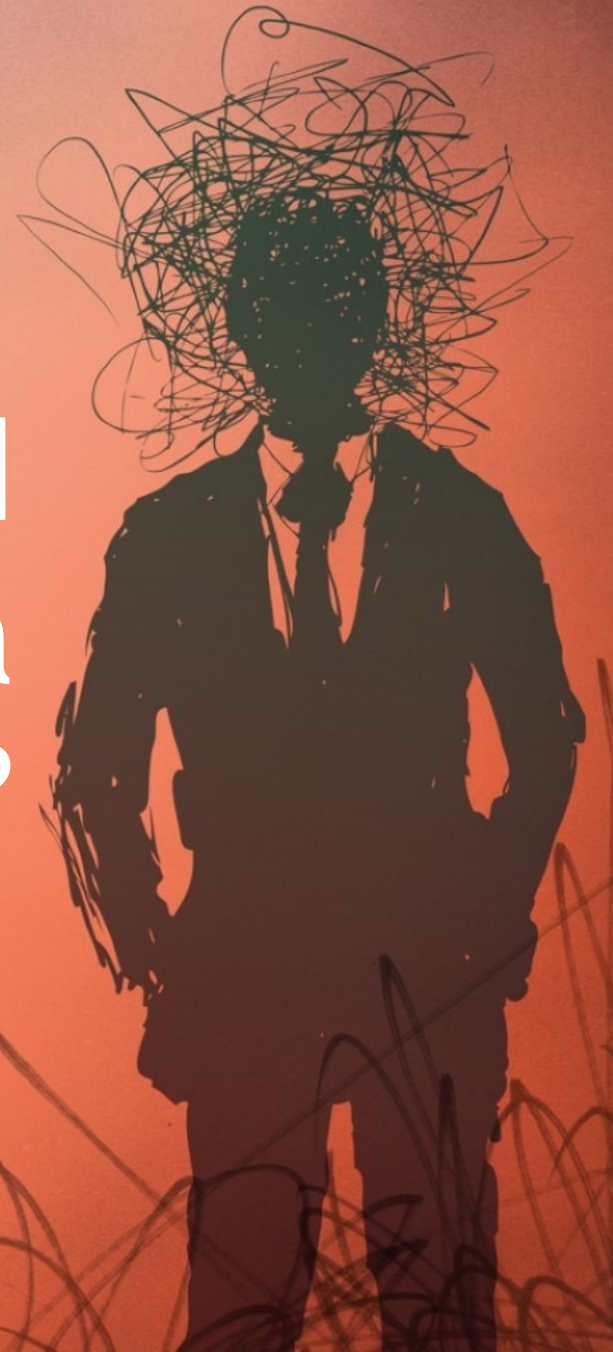
But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

John 4:23-24

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How can warped men and  
women worship rightly in a  
warped world?





The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Isaiah 1:1

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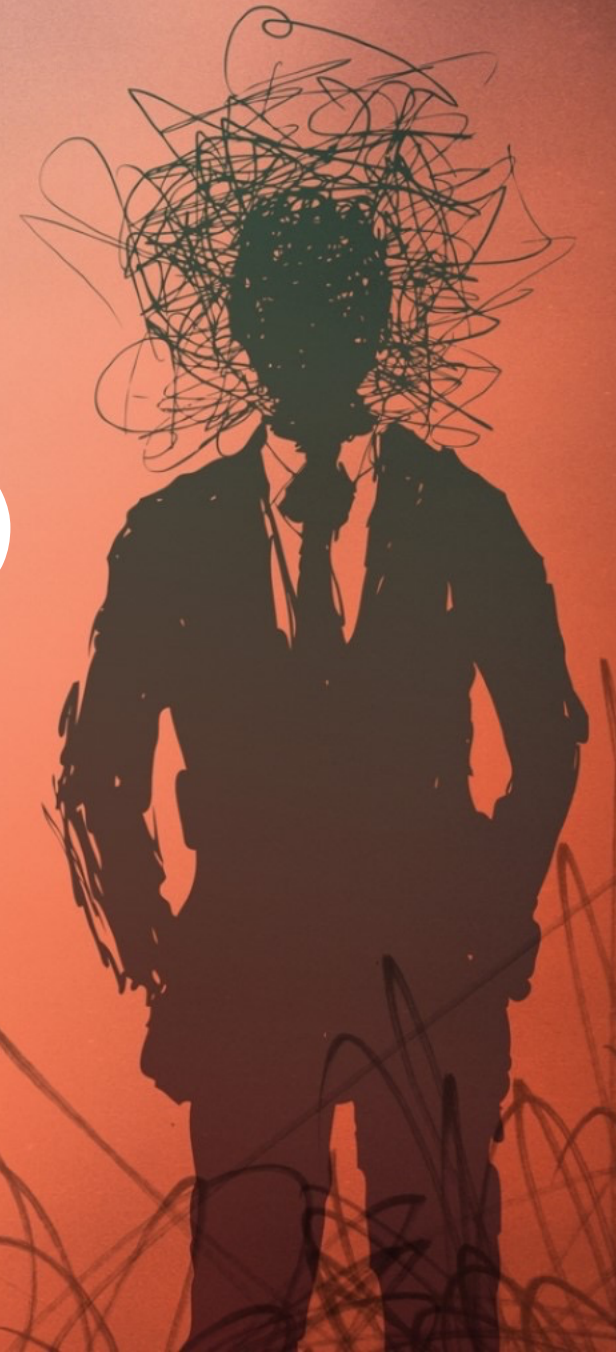
Hear, O heavens, and give ear,  
O earth; for the Lord has  
spoken: “Children have I  
reared and brought up, but  
**they have rebelled against  
me.**

Isaiah 1:2

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# A Country-wide Calamity (1:2-6)



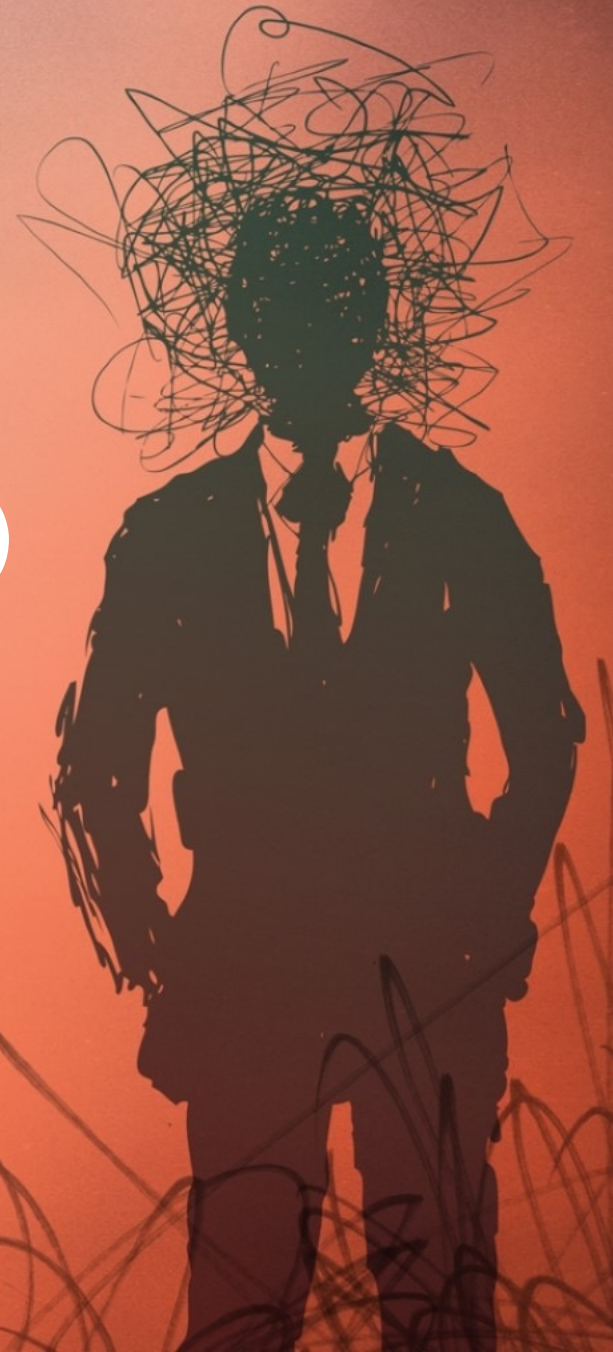


# Their Worthless Worship (1:10-14)



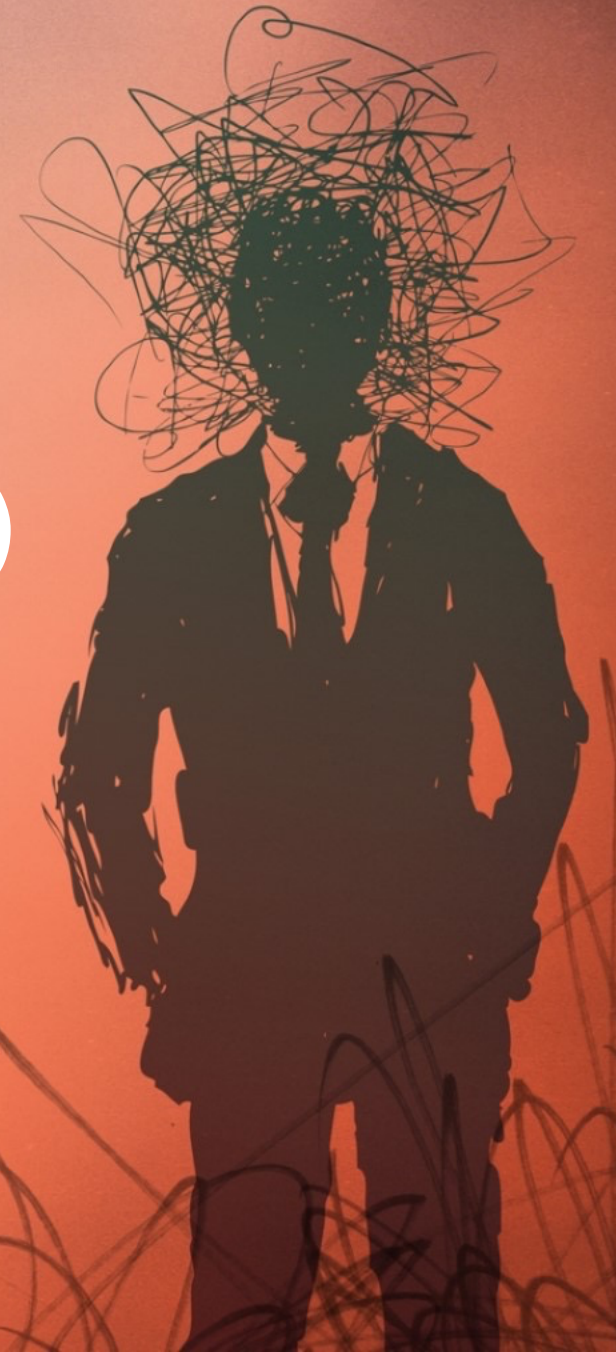


# The Unfaithfulness of the City (1:21-23)





# The Idolatrous Individuals (2:6-9)





For Jerusalem has stumbled,  
and Judah has fallen, because  
their speech and their deeds  
are against the Lord, defying  
his glorious presence.

Isaiah 3:8

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# The Ultimate Answer for Our Worship Problem (Isaiah 6:1-8)





1. A Warped man or woman worships  
by **LOOKING** at the proper object of  
worship: The Exalted King.





King Uzziah:  
2 Kings 14:21-15:7  
2 Chronicles 26





But when he was strong his heart was lifted up, to his destruction, for he transgressed against the Lord his God by entering the temple of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense.

2 Chronicles 26:16

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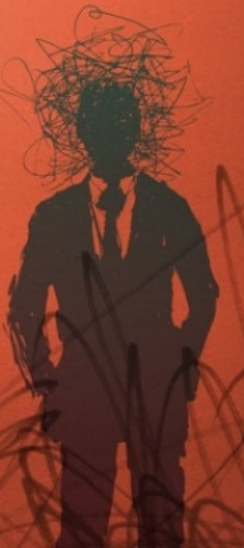
In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple.

Isaiah 6:1

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- The King is sovereign (“throne”).
- The King is exalted (“high and lifted up”).
- The King is matchless (“train filled the temple”).
- The King is not alone (“above him stood the seraphim”).





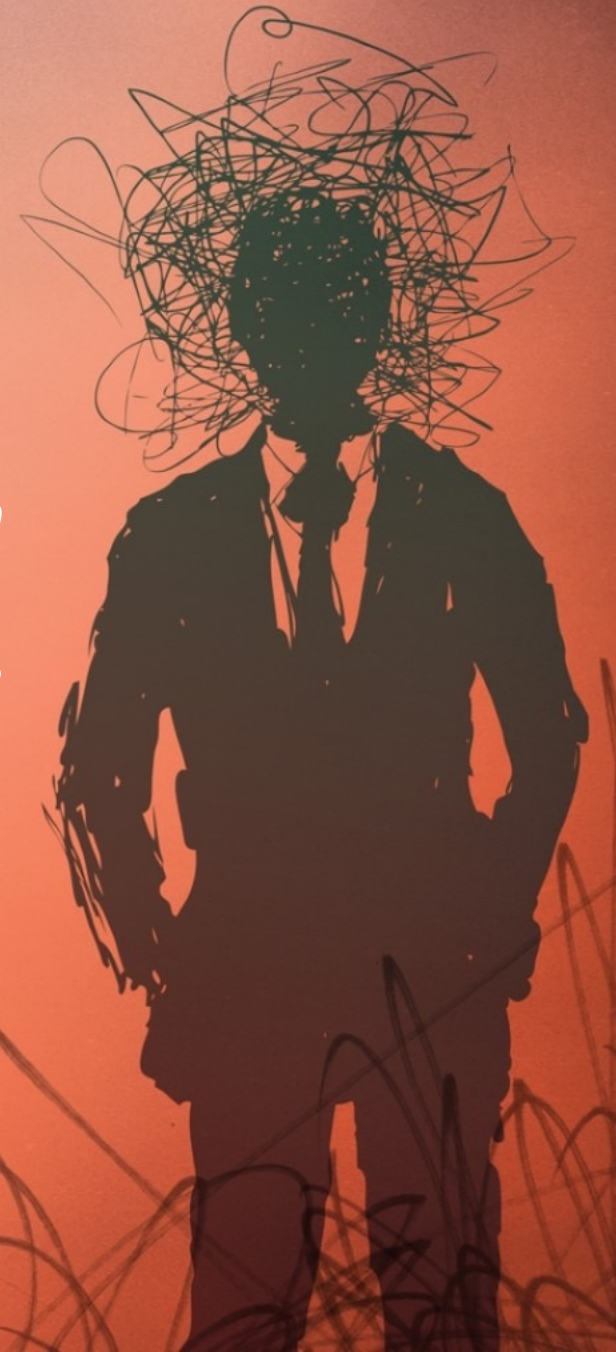
And one cried to another  
and said: “Holy, holy, holy  
is the Lord of hosts; The  
whole earth is full of His  
glory!”

Isaiah 6:3

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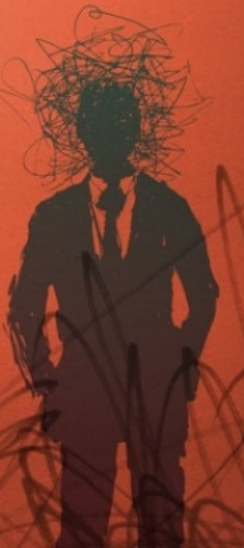


The King is holy (“holy, holy,  
holy”).





God's holiness is “his total and unique moral majesty” (Motyer, 77).





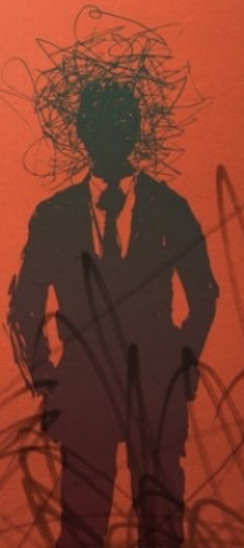
- **1 Samuel 2:2** “There is none holy like the Lord, there is none besides thee.”
- **Isaiah 40:25** “To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.”
- **Hosea 11:9** “I am God and not man, the Holy One in your midst.”





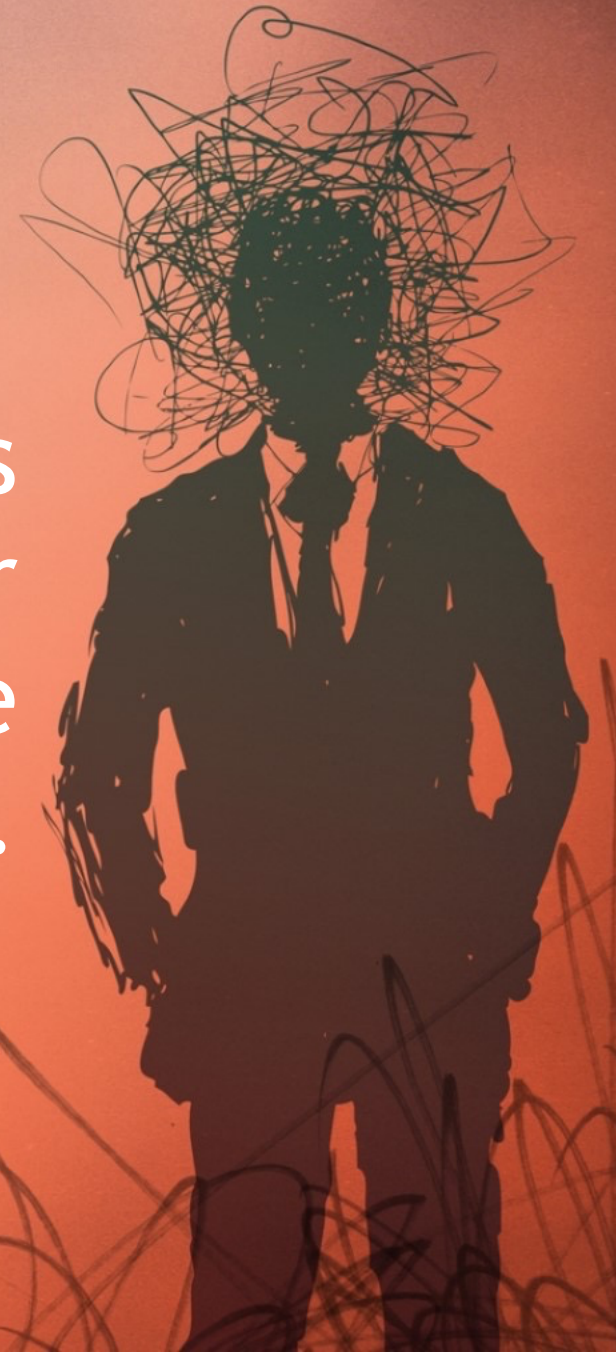
“Holiness is God’s hidden glory; glory is  
God’s all-present holiness.”

—J. Alec Motyer





2. A warped man or woman worships  
by **CONFESSING** the depth of his or  
her dilemma: a defiled nature  
incapable of right worship.





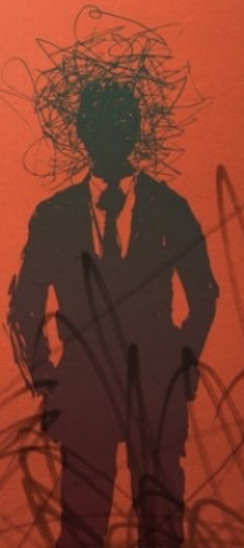
3. A warped man or woman worships by  
**APPLYING** the gracious means of  
cleansing provided: an atoning sacrifice.





“As we speak of a sum of money as sufficient to 'cover' a debt, so [an atonement] is the payment of whatever divine justice sees as sufficient to cover the sinner's debt, the death of the substitute on the altar.”

—J. Alec Motyer





...Isaiah said these things  
because he saw his [Jesus']  
glory and spoke of him  
[Jesus].

John 12:39-41



4. A warped man or woman worships  
by eagerly **SUBMITTING** to the desires  
of God: a life marked by obedience,  
no matter the task.





5. A warped man or woman returns to this reality over, and over, and over again.





God's grace through Jesus makes a way for warped people to worship him rightly, again, and again, and again, and again.

