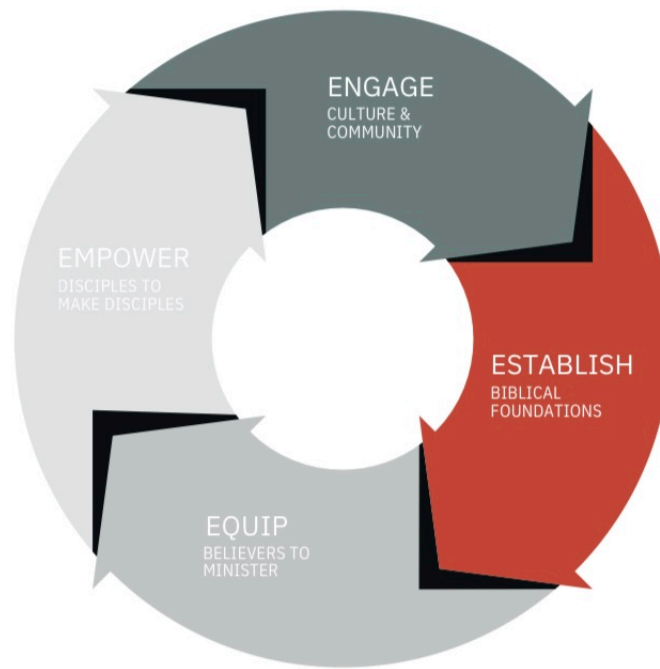


The mission of Rise Up Church is to raise disciples, empower families, and revitalize neighborhoods by the transformational power of the gospel. At Rise Up Church, our discipleship rhythm shapes how we live and expressed in four key movements that we call the 4E's. It is all about following Jesus and helping others do the same.



The purpose of our Koinonia Gatherings is to establish people in biblical foundations by building Christ-centered connections. We believe the Scriptures teaches that life change happens best in community, as we grow together in God's Word and are led by the Holy Spirit.

Below, you'll find a sermon-based guide from the most recent sermon to help lead a Rise Up Church Koinonia Gathering, along with a five day devotional designed to help you apply the sermon throughout the week.

# Koinonia Gathering Leader Guide – Isaiah 6

## In-Depth Sermon Summary

Isaiah 6 captures the commissioning of the prophet Isaiah in a time of national crisis. King Uzziah had died, leaving behind a legacy of both prosperity and pride. His death symbolized the end of stability for Judah, and in this moment of grief, Isaiah is given a divine vision. He sees the Lord high and lifted up—His majesty fills the heavenly temple, and seraphim cry out ‘Holy, holy, holy.’ This holy encounter overwhelms Isaiah and forces him to confront his own sin and unworthiness: ‘Woe is me! I am a man of unclean lips.’ But God, full of grace, does not reject Isaiah. Instead, a burning coal from the altar touches his lips, symbolizing atonement and forgiveness. Isaiah is cleansed—and then called. God asks, ‘Whom shall I send?’ Isaiah replies, ‘Here I am. Send me.’ This powerful scene reveals a threefold movement every believer is called into: Experience the glory of God, receive His grace, and go with the gospel. God’s glory awakens our awe, His grace removes our shame, and His call invites our obedience. Even today, in our own ‘Uzziah years’—times of loss, fear, or uncertainty—God is revealing Himself, restoring us, and sending us into the world with His good news.

## Leader Guide Notes

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- Begin with a moment of silence and invite the Holy Spirit into the space.
- Read Isaiah 6:1–8 aloud together before discussing.
- Encourage vulnerability and active listening. Avoid correcting—just listen.
- Allow pauses for the Spirit to speak to individuals. Silence is sacred.
- After each section, take time to reflect before moving into discussion questions.
- End the gathering with a time of open prayer. Invite group members to respond to God’s call.

## Your Uzziah Year

We all experience seasons of loss or instability—our own ‘Uzziah Year.’ For Isaiah, it was the death of a great king. In moments of crisis, God often reveals Himself in powerful ways. God didn’t change, but Isaiah’s perspective did. Loss led to revelation. Your loss could be the start of your encounter.

## Discussion Questions:

What has been your ‘Uzziah year’? How did it affect your relationship with God?

Can you recall a time God showed you something greater after a personal loss or challenge?

## **Experience the Glory of God**

Isaiah saw the Lord high and lifted up. The seraphim cried out, 'Holy, holy, holy.' The room shook. Glory in Scripture means 'weight' or 'heaviness.' It's the visible manifestation of God's holiness and majesty. Glory presses on our soul and shifts our perspective. We must fix our eyes upward to experience God's glory. Worship, Scripture, silence, and surrender create space for us to truly see Him.

### **Discussion Questions:**

What stood out to you about Isaiah's vision of God?

How do you create space to experience God's glory in your life?

When was the last time you felt overwhelmed by the presence of God?

## **Receive the Grace of God**

Seeing God's glory leads Isaiah to see his sin. He cries out, 'Woe is me.' But God does not leave him condemned. Instead, God sends a seraph to touch his lips with a coal from the altar—his guilt is removed, his sin atoned for. That's grace. Grace doesn't ignore our sin; it cleanses and commissions us. True grace changes us. It empowers us to leave shame behind and walk in freedom.

### **Discussion Questions:**

Why is it important to confess our sin when we see God's holiness?

How has God's grace transformed you personally?

Do you ever struggle to accept God's forgiveness? Why or why not?

## **Go with the Gospel of God**

After Isaiah is cleansed, he hears the voice of the Lord: 'Whom shall I send?' His response: 'Here I am. Send me.' This is the cry of a changed life. The gospel is not just something we receive—it's something we're sent with. Isaiah didn't wait for a detailed plan; he simply made himself available. We too are invited to go—with boldness and

obedience.

**Discussion Questions:**

What might it look like for you to say, 'Here I am. Send me'?

Where is God currently sending you—to serve, to witness, or to lead?

What holds you back from responding like Isaiah did?

**Closing Prayer**

Heavenly Father, thank You for revealing Your glory, for pouring out Your grace, and for calling us to go. We stand in awe of who You are. Like Isaiah, we confess our sin and receive Your cleansing touch. Let our response be, 'Here I am. Send me.' Empower us by Your Spirit to walk boldly in obedience. Use our lives for Your glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## 5-Day Devotional Reading Plan – Isaiah 6

### Day 1 – When the Ground Shakes

*Read: Isaiah 6:1*

Isaiah's vision came in the year King Uzziah died—a time of national grief and uncertainty. Even in loss, God was not silent. Often our lowest seasons become the doorway to our highest revelations. Where do you need to look up today and see the Lord, high and lifted up?

**Reflect: In your current uncertainty, how can you fix your eyes on God today?**

### Day 2 – Seeing the Glory of God

*Read: Isaiah 6:2–4*

Isaiah sees angelic beings and hears the thunderous cry: 'Holy, holy, holy.' The presence of God shakes the temple. Glory means weight—God's glory presses on our soul, reminding us He is holy, majestic, and worthy.

**Reflect: When was the last time you slowed down to truly behold God's holiness?**

### Day 3 – Confronted by Grace

*Read: Isaiah 6:5–7*

Isaiah's response is raw: 'Woe is me!' In God's presence, we see our sin clearly. But God's fire cleanses, not consumes. The coal from the altar touched his lips—his guilt was taken away. Grace doesn't excuse sin; it heals it.

**Reflect: What sin do you need to confess today? How can you receive God's healing grace?**

### Day 4 – Answering the Call

*Read: Isaiah 6:8*

God asks, 'Whom shall I send?' Isaiah's response is bold and simple: 'Here I am. Send me.' His calling followed cleansing. God sends willing hearts, not perfect ones. Are you available?

**Reflect: Where might God be calling you to go, speak, or serve? Will you say yes before knowing the details?**

## **Day 5 – Jesus, Our Greater Isaiah**

*Read: John 1:14, Hebrews 1:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21*

Jesus is the greater Isaiah—He is the Word made flesh, the visible image of God's glory. He didn't just see the altar—He became the sacrifice. He didn't say 'Woe is me,' but declared victory over sin. Through Him, we experience glory, receive grace, and are sent with power.

**Reflect: How has Jesus made a way for you to respond like Isaiah: 'Here I am, send me'?**

## **5-Day Family Devotional – Isaiah 6**

### **Day 1 – God is With Us When Life Feels Hard**

*Read: Isaiah 6:1*

Talk: Isaiah saw God in a time of sadness after a good king died. Even when life is sad or hard, God is still with us. God wants to help us see Him clearly when we look up to Him.

Ask: Has there been a time when you felt sad or scared? What helped you remember that God was with you?

Pray: God, help us to look to You even when things feel hard. Remind us that You are always with us. Amen.

### **Day 2 – God is Holy and Powerful**

*Read: Isaiah 6:2–4*

Talk: Isaiah saw amazing angels worshiping God. They cried, 'Holy, holy, holy!' That means God is perfect and powerful. Even the angels were in awe of God. We worship a big and holy God.

Ask: What are some ways we can show God respect and worship Him in our home?

Pray: God, You are holy and amazing! Help us to always remember how big and wonderful You are. Amen.

### **Day 3 – God Forgives Us**

*Read: Isaiah 6:5–7*

Talk: Isaiah saw how sinful he was and said 'I'm not good enough!' But God forgave him and made him clean. God wants us to tell Him when we mess up. He always forgives when we come to Him.

Ask: Why is it important to say sorry when we do something wrong? How do you feel when someone forgives you?

Pray: God, thank You for loving us even when we mess up. Help us to always come to You and say sorry. Amen.

### **Day 4 – Say 'Yes' to God**

*Read: Isaiah 6:8*

Talk: God asked, 'Who will go?' and Isaiah said, 'Here I am! Send me!' When God gives us a job to do—like helping others or being kind—we can say 'yes!'

Ask: What are some ways we can say 'yes' to God this week?

Pray: God, we want to say yes to You like Isaiah did. Show us where You want us to go or

## **Day 5 – Jesus Shows Us God’s Glory and Grace**

*Read: John 1:14*

Talk: Jesus came to show us God’s glory and grace. He loves us so much that He died for our sins and rose again. Now we can live with God’s love and go tell others about Him.

Ask: What is one thing you love about Jesus? Who can we tell about His love?

Pray: Jesus, thank You for showing us God’s love. Help us to love others and share Your good news. Amen.