

Proper Perspective (Message Two)

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Isaiah 6:1-13

WHAT HE SAW: Verses 1-2

¹ It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple.

² Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.

WHAT HE HEARD: Verses 3-4

³ They were calling out to each other, “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of Heaven’s Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!”

⁴ Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke.

WHAT HE FELT: Verse 5

⁵ Then I said, “It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.”

When Job SAW the Lord, he said...

- [Job 42:5-6 \(NLT\)](#) ⁵ I had only heard about you before, but now I have seen you with my own eyes. ⁶ I take back everything I said, and I sit in dust and ashes to show my repentance.”

When Daniel SAW the Lord, he said...

- [Daniel 10:15–17 \(NLT\)](#) ¹⁵ While he was speaking to me, I looked down at the ground, unable to say a word. ¹⁶ Then the one who looked like a man touched my lips, and I opened my mouth and began to speak. I said to the one standing in front of me, “I am filled with anguish because of the vision I have seen, my lord, and I am very weak. ¹⁷ How can someone like me, your servant, talk to you, my lord? My strength is gone, and I can hardly breathe.”

When Peter SAW the Lord, he said...

- [Luke 5:8 \(NLT\)](#) ⁸ When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, “Oh, Lord, please leave me—I’m such a sinful man.”

When John SAW the Lord, he said...

- [Revelation 1:7 \(NLT\)](#) ⁷ Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven. And everyone will see him— even those who pierced him. And all the nations of the world will mourn for him. Yes! Amen!

Verse 5... Then I said, “It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.”

Verses 6-7... Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal he had taken from **the altar** with a pair of tongs. ⁷ He touched my lips with it and said, “See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven.”

Exodus 25:8–9 (NLT) “Have the people of Israel build me a holy sanctuary so I can live among them. ⁹ You must build this Tabernacle and its furnishings exactly according to the pattern I will show you.

Verse 7... He touched my lips with it and said, “See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven.”

First: Isaiah met with the Lord in the Holy of Holies...

Second: Isaiah was convicted of his sins...

Third: Isaiah was cleansed from his sins...

Fourth: Isaiah was ready to serve God...

Verses 8-13... ⁸ Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for **us?**” I said, “Here I am. Send me.”

What created this kind of heart in Isaiah? ...

- **First:** He had been in the presence of God!
- **Second:** He knew the need of the people. They needed to hear a Word from God!
- **Third:** He had been touched by the cleansing fire.
- **Fourth:** He heard God’s heart to reach the nations.

Verses 9-10... And he said, “Yes, go, and say to this people, ‘Listen carefully, but do not understand. Watch closely, but learn nothing.’ ¹⁰ Harden the hearts of these people. Plug their ears and shut their eyes. That way, they will not see with their eyes, nor hear with their ears, nor understand with their hearts and turn to me for healing.”

Verses 11-13... Then I said, “Lord, how long will this go on?” And he replied, “Until their towns are empty, their houses are deserted, and the whole country is a wasteland; ¹² until the LORD has sent everyone away, and the entire land of Israel lies deserted. ¹³ If even a tenth—a remnant—survive, it will be invaded again and burned. But as a terebinth or oak tree leaves a stump when it is cut down, so Israel’s stump will be a holy seed.”