

“Understanding God’s Holiness”

Isaiah 6:1-8

Introduction

When you are in the presence of greatness, you can become easily distracted. This is what happened to Isaiah in Chapter 6, verses 1-8 when he was in the presence of God. Throughout the entire Bible though, we are confronted with God’s Holiness. (See Isaiah 40:25, Hosea 11:9, and the entire book of Leviticus.)

To be Holy means to be set apart, or in sacred territory. While the truth about His Holiness can be difficult to grasp, it is comprehensive. We should think of His Holiness as something that is protected by a “No Trespassing” sign. The Holiness of God is not to be trifled with. It is serious and scary business.

King Uzziah learned about God’s Holiness the hard way. When the king undermined God, he was stricken with leprosy and died (2 Chronicles 26:16). One of the ways God confronts us with His Holiness is by allowing something to die in our lives. When that happens, we can really see that He is in charge.

His Holiness will expose and hurt us in order to heal us. (Hebrews 22:10)

Getting Started

1. God is pure. As Christians, we sometimes lessen our standards and allow them to become preoccupied with unclean thoughts, ideas, and actions. When was the last time you had an unclean thought?

Let’s Get Personal

1. Think about the times you’ve been hurt by something or someone who was not good for you. Have you been able to see that once God got your attention on that issue, He was able to use it for good?

Take the Next Step

1. How has this series expanded your view of God? Are there things about Him that you may have been taking for granted?

Renew Your Mind

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

Hebrews 12:14
