

Isaiah 6:1-13
Discussion Guide

Pray

Apart from God, we can do nothing. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion. Throughout your time together, continue asking God for help.

Read Scripture

Read all of Isaiah 6.

Bible Study: The HEAR Method

The bulk of your time will be spent discussing God's Word together. HEAR is an inductive Bible study method that looks closely at what the Bible says to discover what it means so that we can faithfully apply it to our lives.

HEAR stands for:

- **Highlight:** read and observe everything in the passage carefully.
- **Examine:** based on your observations, discover what the passage means in its context.
- **Apply:** determine how the meaning of the passage applies to your life.
- **Respond in prayer:** pray God's Word back to Him.

Remember:

- Walk through the Bible study together using the HEAR method and talk about what stuck out most to you in the passage.
- Make sure you move discussion to the application section of your study.
- Affections, beliefs, and practices: Make sure to apply the passage to all your life.

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- Take time to pray for one another and ask for His grace to apply His Word to our daily lives.

Open: A.W. Tozer once said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." Do you think this is true? Why or why not?

Study:

- 1) What did Isaiah see according to 6:1? Take some time to list other similar passages elsewhere in Scripture? What passage in the NT refers to this vision during Jesus' lifetime? What does it tell us about whom Isaiah saw on the throne?
- 2) What else does Isaiah see and hear, in verse 2-4? What does this tell us about God?
- 3) What problem did Isaiah realize he had because of the vision in vs. 5? Why would Isaiah declare this about himself (consider the contrast between Isaiah's declaration of the people of Israel in chapters 2-5)? What does this tell us about mankind?
- 4) What was done to solve Isaiah's problem (see vs. 6-7)? What's the significance of the object being taken from the altar? What's the significance of where the object touched him? How did this atone for Isaiah's sin?
- 5) What do you think is going through Isaiah's mind as he responds to God's question by saying, "Here am I. Send Me!" (see vs. 8)? Why did Isaiah respond in this manner?

- 6) What's the message was Isaiah tasked to carry to the people of God (see vs. 9-10)? How will the people respond to his message? Why was this discouraging to Isaiah? What would you have done if you were in Isaiah's shoes?
- 7) What's the bad news in verses 11-13? What's the good news that God provides Isaiah and us? What's the significance of the "holy seed" and the "stump" in the terms of the possibility of new growth?
- 8) Read Isaiah 52:13-15. How does vs. 15 resolve the problem in Isaiah 6:9-10? What does this describe about how people come to faith in Christ?

Apply:

- 9) How does this passage challenge your assumptions about what God is like and what it is like to come into His presence?
- 10) What things hold you back from being as willing as Isaiah to obey God's call?
- 11) How is your encounter with God at your experience of the new birth similar to Isaiah's? How did that encounter change you? In what ways is this encounter continuing to change you?
- 12) What specific thing is God calling you to do? How can we support you in this?

PRAY:

- Take time thank God the He truly is the Lord who saves.
- Take time to thank God for His holiness just as the Seraphim do.
- Ask God for the Spirit's help to obey the calling you have received.
- Ask God to give you a sober awareness of His holiness to live for Him.