#7— Name Above All Names, Part 2

The Holy God

Isaiah 6:1-8

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*It is a subject so vast, that all our thoughts are lost in its immensity; so deep, that our pride is drowned in its infinity. Other subjects we can compass and grapple with; in them we feel a kind of self-content, and go our way with the thought, “Behold, I am wise.”*

*But when we come to contemplating God we declare, “I am but of yesterday, and know nothing.” No subject of contemplation will tend more to humble the mind, than thoughts of God.* JI Packer

***Holiness of God***

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

*In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.****2****Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.****3****And one called to another and said:*

*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”*

***4****And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke.****5****And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”*

***6****Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar.****7****And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”*

***8****And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”*

***1 – God’s holiness Overwhelms***

***2 – God’s holiness Unravels us***

***3 – God’s holiness Restores us***

***4 – God’s holiness Revolutionizes us***

***1 – God’s holiness Overwhelms***

***The seraphim,*** *“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts”*

***Isaiah***

***What is holiness?***

Separate, above, above and beyond

*His holiness is his utterly unique, divine, transcendent, pure essence, which in his uniqueness has infinite value. His holiness is what he is as God, which no one else is or ever will be.*

*In the end, language runs out. In the word “holy” we have sailed to the world’s end in the utter silence of reverence and wonder and awe. John Piper*

*You haven’t seen the holiness of God until you see his power and perfection to the degree that all of your excuse making and all of your complaining about Him and all of your questioning of him, falls at your feet, pitiful looking to you. Tim Keller*

**Have you been *Overwhelmed* by God’s holiness?**

***2 – God’s holiness Unravels us***

*“Woe is me!” = “I am cursed. I am lost.”*

Why mention his lips?

1 - words speak the overflow of his heart

2 – words were the best thing he did

***Even our greatest strengths will be seen as sin-tainted in comparison to God’s holiness***

***3 – God’s holiness Restores us***

*“Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”*

***4 – God’s holiness Revolutionizes us***

*And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”*

*You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession,*

*that you may* ***declare the praises*** *of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:9-10*

**Application**

Show you more holiness

Pray for others to see God’s holiness

Tell others about your heart Revolution

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**We are currently on break between Growth Group session.**

**The summer session will run June 7 – August 1.**