

ISAIAH'S VISION OF GOD'S MAJESTY

Isaiah 6:1-13

THE PROPHET IS CONVICTED

What Isaiah Beheld (1-2)

He saw the Lord sitting on a throne,
high and lifted up, and the train
of His *robe* filled the temple.

What Isaiah Heard (3-4)

"Holy, holy, holy *is* the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth *is* full of His glory!"

What Isaiah Loathed (5)

"Woe *is* me, for I am undone!
Because I *am* a man of unclean lips."

THE PROPHET IS CLEANSED

What a Seraph Did (6)

One of the seraphim flew to Isaiah,
having in his hand a live coal *which*
he had taken with the tongs from the altar.

What the Seraph Said (7)

"Behold, this has touched your lips;
your iniquity is taken away,
and your sin purged."

THE PROPHET IS COMMISSIONED

What the Lord Asked (8)

"Whom shall I send,
and who will go for Us?"

What Isaiah Replied (8)

"Here *am* I! Send me."

What Israel Incurred (9-13)

"Make the heart of this people dull,
And their ears heavy,
And shut their eyes."

The vision of God's majestic holiness never left Isaiah. The Divine title, "The Holy One of Israel" is stamped upon Isaiah's book 26 times, as if it was the prophet's peculiar prophetic signature (A. M.Hodgkin).

He went on to be the most important prophet of the OT, with a ministry that lasted 40 years. He has been labeled the "King of the Prophets" and is quoted over 250 times in the NT.

He suffered one of the most atrocious martyrdoms, when he was sawed in two during the evil reign of King Manasseh (Heb. 11:37).