

## ISAIAH 6:1-8

<sup>1</sup>*In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. <sup>3</sup>And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty." <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"*

## LAUNCH

What aspect of creation speaks to you most about the character of God and why?

## DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

Using the five senses describe the experience that Isaiah undergoes in this vision. What does he see, hear, taste, touch and smell?

What are the important attributes of God that we learn from this passage (Dave outlined four in his preach but there are many more).

In what way has your attitude towards God been elevated as a result of reading this scripture?

Can you identify other passages of scripture that portray God or his son Jesus in all their splendour? How do they add to our understanding of the character of God?

Isaiah describes himself as being 'ruined' as a result of his encounter with God.

Can you think of a time when you were impacted in a similar way?

Does one need to be 'undone' in order to become a Christian?

How does the angel's response to Isaiah's undoing point to the cross of Christ?

## APPLICATION

Isaiah needed a big vision of God in order to take on a very hard calling (read the rest of chapter 6 for details). Has God ever revealed himself to you in a personal way to help you through times of difficulty? How did this revelation help?

Through what experiences of life has God given you visionary insight into God's glory? How was your life sent in a new direction as a result?

What do you feel is God's calling on your life at the present time and what aspect of it might be hard? Pray for one another that you will fulfil the calling that God has given you.