

# TALKINGPOINTS WALKINGPOINTS



**Talk** together about the glory of God's kingdom. –Psalm 145:11 Love the Lord your God and **walk** in all his ways. –Joshua 22:5

## **Questions for Reflection or Discussion**

- What from Sunday's message interested you? ...made sense to you? ...confused you?
   ...intrigued you? ...and why?
- Pastor Ryan spoke of Isaiah's encounter with God, so let's get to know the man, Isaiah, a bit.
   According to Isaiah 1:1, Isaiah's ministry—spanning the reigns of multiple kings—lasted almost 65 years!
   What sort of reputation for integrity/holiness would you think such a minister would have possessed?

(The Bible does not record Isaiah's death, but Jewish tradition records that he was martyred for his faith.)

Read Isaiah 6:1-4. Above the Lord were "seraphim". Seraphim are angels of the highest magnitude.
 Their name literally means "burning ones" or "fiery beings". Let's see what *they* do in God's presence.
 Each has three pairs of wings. How many of a seraph's wings are used for the typical function of wings?

What function do two-thirds of a saraph's wings serve? What does covering one's face and feet suggest?

Aren't angels holy? Aren't angels of the highest magnitude—"burning, fiery ones"—holy? So, what does covering one's face and feet in God's presence suggest? (If you're not certain, observe the content of their proclamation in v. 3!)

How holy are you? As holy as Isaiah? As holy as a seraph? As holy as God \*?

(\*See Isaiah 1:4; 5:19 & 24; 10:20; 12:6; 17:7; 29:19; 30:11-12, 15; 31:1; 37:23; 41:14, 16 & 20; 43:3 & 14; 45:11; 47:4; 48:17; 49:7; 54:5; 55:5; 60:9 & 14)

Read Isaiah 6:5-8. Why did encountering and experiencing God's holiness traumatize Isaiah?

When have you had a disturbing encounter with God's holiness? Would you tell us about it?

Imagine a terrifying being asking, "Whom shall I send?" Why do you think Isaiah volunteered?

How likely would you be to volunteer?

Make a list of some things that God asks us to do today. How many of those things are you doing?



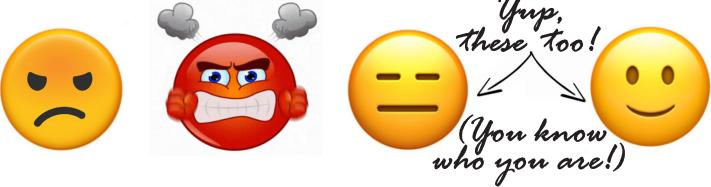
#### Isaiah 6

- 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 Yahweh 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.
- 5"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, Yahweh 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.
- With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."
- 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!"

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How can our children know the Lord and recognize his glory? Psalm 78:1-8 tells us how, step by step:

"O my people, listen to my instructions. Open your ears to what I am saying... I will teach you... lessons from our past—stories we have heard and known, stories our ancestors handed down to us. We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of Yahweh, about his power and his mighty wonders... He commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children, so the next generation might know them—even the children not yet born—and they in turn will teach their own children. So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting his glorious miracles and obeying his commands. Then they will not be like their ancestors—stubborn, rebellious, and unfaithful, refusing to give their hearts to God."

Take some time this week to study this passage, making a list of everything that we must do—and avoid doing.

Then, turn that list into a daily prayer request for your family and seek opportunities to tell your children some "glorious deeds of Yahweh".

### **Digging Deeper in Your Daily Quiet Time**

"Five Question Bible Study" (see page below) is a simple way to study any passage. Each of the following sets of verses teach how we can live to God's glory...

Monday - Study Malachi 1:6-7; 2:2 & Deuteronomy 15:21

Tuesday—Study John 15:8; Romans 1:13; Galatians 5:22-23; Colossians 1:10

Wednesday—Study 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

*Thursday*—Study 1 Peter 4:16

Friday—Study 2 Corinthians 9:13

Saturday—Study 1 Peter 2:12 & Matthew 5:16

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### **Five Question Bible Study**

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	What idea particularly strikes me from this text? [Note in wh	nich verse(s) it is found.]					
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	What about Jesus Christ—his character and/or his redemption	n relates to this tayt?					
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	What action must I take as a result of this text? Be concrete a	ind specific.					



With whom will I share what I learned from this text? [and what was their response?]