

Terrified and Comforted by God

Isaiah 6:1-7

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NOTICE: The emphasis of our discussion is to see how the Written Word (Bible) and the Spoken Word (Preaching) work together to build up the believer, so when you see WORD in the questions, know it refers to the Scripture and the Sermon.

Recap: *Look back for evidence of God's word reshaping your heart and life.*

1. Does anyone have a testimony of how last week's WORD (displaying sacrificial, selfless love to others) was put into practice?

Engage: *Look into the Word of God in light of Sunday's preached sermon.*

2. Read Isaiah 6:1-7 as a group and discuss what stands out in the text.
3. Theologian A.W. Tozer famously said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." How big are your thoughts of God (Use Isaiah 40:12 to help)?

Reflect: *Look deeper at the preached and written Word.*

4. How was the holiness of God displayed by the seraphs and described by Pastor Richard?
5. God cleansed Isaiah with fiery coals that destroyed his sin without harming him. How does this reveal God's heart for those who repent?

Respond: *Look ahead and around to see how you can be obedient and missional.*

6. Richard used Isaiah 6 and Isaiah 53:4-7 to show the "violence" of God towards sin and the great comfort of his cleansing. To what extent does your own heart recognize these two realities in your own fight against sin?
7. Looking outward, how does accurately seeing the terror and comfort of God affect your current relationships?