

## WORSHIP

### SUGGESTED WORSHIP SONGS:

That's Why We Praise Him, The Love of Jesus, Revelation Song

## WELCOME

**Attributes of God.** Take turns sharing to the group the attribute of God that is most meaningful to you. Then discuss which attribute is most common among the group.

## WORD

### ISAIAH 6:1–8

<sup>1</sup> In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple.<sup>2</sup> Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory."<sup>4</sup> And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke. <sup>5</sup> Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined!

Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I live among a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs. <sup>7</sup> He touched my mouth with it and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away and your sin is forgiven."<sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

### GOD IS HOLY

God is Holy. Holiness is the centerpiece of God's attributes. Sadly, holiness seems to be the most under-rated and under-appreciated attribute of God. But it is God's holiness that unlocks the door to understanding everything else about God. God's love is holy. His mercy is holy. His power is holy. God isn't God if He isn't holy. It sets Him apart. It is a characteristic unique to God's nature.

When the Bible speaks about the holiness of God (**Psalm 5:4–6**), we know that we do not stand a chance to come before Him. None at all, not on our own merit unless we respond to His holiness properly. What God finds to be an acceptable response that brings Him honor is a broken and a contrite heart (**Psalm 51:1–2, 16–17**).

Isaiah saw with his own eyes the splendor of the holy God – lofty, high and exalted; the seraphim stood above Him with their reverberating voices saying, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of His glory." It was an overwhelming vision for Isaiah (**Isaiah 6:1–3**).

If our Christian life has become empty, superficial and routinary, then something must be wrong. This is because this kind of response to God does not

indicate a right view of who God is. A right view of God's holiness will lead us to a right response. In Isaiah's case, he responded properly to God's holiness – he *humbled* himself before God and *heeded* His call.

### HUMBLE YOURSELF (v. 5)

If we look at the people who responded to the holiness of God, they all fell on their faces before Him (**1 Kings 18:39; Matthew 17:6; Revelation 7:11**). This tells us that the right response to God's holiness is coming to God with a broken and contrite heart. A concrete example would be the tax collector in **Luke 18:11–13**. He stood away from the temple unwilling even to lift his head to heaven, and beating his chest for God to be merciful to him.

The seraphim touched the mouth of Isaiah with a burning coal and his sin was forgiven and taken away (**v.5**). Repentance is a painful experience but it comes with a relief of being forgiven by God.

While our desire is to be holy (**1 Peter 1:15–16**), it should not be on the basis of our own merit and strength but instead be by the infilling of the Holy Spirit (**Ephesians 5:17–18**). A practical application of this is through the practice of 'spiritual breathing.' First, 'exhale' by confessing your sin and thanking God for His forgiveness, with repentance shown in a

## WORD (cont'd)

change of attitude and action on your part. Then, 'inhale' by asking God to fill you with His Holy Spirit, surrendering to Him the control of your life, and obeying God through the power of His Spirit.

### HEED HIS CALL (v. 6)

The second proper response to God's holiness is to heed His call. God's agenda in meeting Isaiah is not for him to wallow in pity, guilt and grief but for him to have a fresh enthusiasm, a grateful heart and strength renewed to say yes to the holy God that he saw with his own eyes. God's agenda is for Isaiah to say, "Here I am Lord, I will live for you, send me."

The application of Isaiah's response is for us to obey God's commands. In particular, the best application would be to heed the command that is central to Christ's church: making disciples (**Matthew 28:19-20**). Every follower of Jesus is called to make disciples. The call is not just for a few but for all of God's people.

Making disciples means that we live a holy life in the power of the Holy Spirit. However, we do not do so just for ourselves but so that we can teach others to do the same. Jesus is looking for followers who multiply the church by making disciples.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

*(Leaders: Please choose questions that are appropriate to the level of spiritual maturity of your members)*

1. **Here I Am Lord.** What is the response of Isaiah in **Isaiah 6:1-8**? What is the equivalent application of his response to our day?
2. **Holy God.** How do you respond to God's holiness in your life?
3. **Make Disciples.** What hinders you from making disciples? How can your Dgroup help you to heed God's call?

## WORKS

### PRAY CARE SHARE IN ACTION

Use the latest discipleship tools #LifeGoals that you can use to heed the call to share the gospel and to make disciples.

To know more about it, check this link:  
[lifegoals.ccf.org.ph](http://lifegoals.ccf.org.ph)

### WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

#### I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives

#### II. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of Public Servants and a God-centered Philippines
- Repentance and Salvation

#### III. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples
- Elders, Pastors, Leaders, and Families
- Ministries and Churches worldwide

#### IV. CCF Facilities

- Worship and Training Center
- Prayer Mountain

#### V. Personal Concerns

- Deeper intimate relationship with God
- Righteous living
- Salvation of family and friends