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WHOM SHALL I SEND? AND WHO WILL GO FOR US?

A Question of Willingness

TEXT: **Isaiah 6:1-13**

Introduction: We are usually willing to do things if there's something in it for us. Other times we may be willing to do something if we are curious about it. The real question for us today is... just what are we willing to do? The prophet Isaiah received a vision of God around 740 BC (**Isaiah 6:1-13**). It's a great story, but the message of the story is not just regarding the prophet. It was meant for the people of Israel. The question from the voice of the Lord is a question of willingness. God's people need to be willing to go wherever God sends us. Let's study this story together...

Discussion:

I. Are You Willing to Recognize the Call of God?

- A. Isaiah was called in a personal, pointed, and purposeful way.
Isaiah 6:1-4, Jeremiah 7:25, Ezekiel 2:3, Matthew 10:16, 28:19-20

- B. Isaiah succeeded after his confession, consecration, and commission.
Isaiah 6:5-13, Jonah 1:1-3, Exodus 3:10, Isaiah 6:8

- C. Isaiah was blessed to see the presence of God, share the word of God, and strengthen the work of God.
Isaiah 1-66, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16

- D. Isaiah reveals the mystery, might, and message of God.
Isaiah 7:14, 9:6, 40:31, 53:5, 61:1

II. Are You Willing to Hear the Call of God?

A. We are called to be holy and sanctified.

John 17:17, I Corinthians 1:2, Ephesians 5, I Thessalonians 4:7, II Timothy 1:9

B. We are called to be salt and light.

Matthew 5:13-16, Philippians 2:14-15, Revelation 2-3

C. We are called to be sojourners and pilgrims.

Romans 12:1-8, Hebrews 11:13, I Peter 2:11-12, 4:7-11

D. We are called to be disciples and soldiers.

Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16, Romans 10:12-15, Ephesians 6:10-20

III. Are You Willing to Answer the Call of God?

A. God recognizes your inferiority.

Romans 3:10, Psalm 14:1-3, 53:1-3, Ecclesiastes 7:20, II Peter 1:9, I John 1:7-10

B. God recognizes your humanity.

Jonah 1:1-3, Jonah 4:1-5, Exodus 3:11-4:17, Isaiah 6:8, II Corinthians 8:3-12

C. God recognizes your immorality.

II Peter 3:9, Exodus 15:1-18, I Samuel 2:2, Psalm 98:1, Psalm 145:17, Isaiah 5:16, 6:1-8, John 17:11, I Peter 1:14-25, I John 1:5, Revelation 4:8

D. God recognizes your ability.

Matthew 5:13-16, 25:14-30, John 15:1-8, I Corinthians 12:12-30, Galatians 5:22-23, Ephesians 4:11-16

Conclusion: God wants us to willingly serve Him. Jesus has already set the pattern for us. What did Jesus do (**Luke 2:49, Matthew 3:15, John 5:17, Luke 22:42, John 19:30**)? What did He see as the next step (**Luke 9:23, John 20:21**)? Are you willing to tell the good news? Are you willing to be a living witness? Are you willing to tell your story? God still calls us today! Recognize His call, listen to it, and answer it. You'll be glad you did!