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Isaiah 6:1-8, 38:1-5 Application

- 1. Isaiah's experience with God was more dramatic and life-transforming than most people receive. Without comparing yourself to Isaiah, think of a time when you experienced the grace of God and how you responded.
- 2. When we understand the true holiness of the LORD, we know we are morally unclean, but Jesus Christ has atoned for our sins. When we repent, we receive God's forgiveness, and the Holy Spirit will help us serve God.
- 3. The seraphim knew they were unworthy to serve our holy God, so they covered their faces and their feet. Isaiah knew he was unclean, but the LORD cleansed him and called him into service. Knowing what we were, we remain humble after the Lord Jesus cleanses us and calls us to serve Him.
- 4. Praying to live longer because we think we deserve to live longer is unwise. The LORD knows the errors in judgment, and the sins we might commit, and the suffering we and others might face, if we lived longer. Think about some reasons we might give the LORD if we pray for a longer life of service to God and others.
- 5. During his additional fifteen years of life, King Hezekiah proudly showed some far-off travelers (the Babylonians) his treasures in Jerusalem, and more than 100 years later the Babylonian army came and destroyed the city and the temple and took these riches back to Babylon. What might we learn from Hezekiah's experience and the consequences of his answer to prayer? What might we learn from Jesus, who prayed, "Not my will, but yours be done" (Luke 22:42)? What did His "early" death accomplish?

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