



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Praying Through Isaiah 6:1-8; 38:1-5

Dear Heavenly Father, we cannot help but thank You for the vision You gave Isaiah and what You called him to say and do that prepared the way for Your only begotten Son, Jesus, to come and die a sacrificial death for us. We can only imagine how unworthy and sinful we would feel if we saw You in only a small portion of Your heavenly majesty and glory as Isaiah did. We thank You that Jesus came and not only prepared the way but is The Way for us to come into Your holy, heavenly presence and bow before You as forgiven children, cleansed from sin, and with our guilt removed. Lord Jesus, as Your Holy Spirit led Isaiah into the temple where he could meet His heavenly Father and You, we pray that You would abide in us and lead us where You would have us go that we too might be Your good and faithful servants. Please help us draw ever nearer to You when we pray and study the Bible that we might be filled with Your Truth and Spirit and enabled to show and tell the difference You want to make in the lives of all who receive You as Savior and Lord. Please help us learn so much about You and how to serve You that as with Your first disciples You will be able to call us Your friends, for we have never had a better Friend than You. We thank You for the Holy Bible, the Book that reveals to the world and us the truth about God: our Holy Father, His Holy Son, and the Holy Spirit. By working together in our lives, give us greater love for You and others so that we might seek and do Your will with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Heavenly Father, as we grow older, please help us consider what You would have us do with the rest of our lives. We would not be like Hezekiah who looked back at the good he had done and who wanted simply to live longer, for during his extra years on earth he acted unwisely in ways that influenced the Babylonians to come and destroy Jerusalem and rob the temple. As we consider Your work in and through us, we ask that You give us wisdom and the ability to serve You and others faithfully and humbly with all the years You give us on this earth. Unlike Hezekiah, we know with certainty that our Lord and Savior went to heaven, and He has prepared a place for us. As we think about how long we might live or want to live, please help us pray that Your will be done and we do Your will on earth as it is in heaven. Please help us to earnestly desire to go where You would send us to glorify Your Name and show forth Your love. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.