

CBC Men's Fellowship

September 8, 2014

The Holiness of God

Chapter 2

Some questions to consider and think about as you read chapter 2. They help form thoughts for discussion on September 8th.

- 1. Isaiah said that the train of God's robe filled the temple. By this statement he was portraying the majesty of God.
 - a. What is an appropriate heart response to this image of the supreme majesty of God?
 - b. Many observers of the church today feel that Christians as a whole are far too casual in the way we come into the presence of God. If this is true, how can we develop a greater reverence for God as we come into His presence?
 - i. What does this mean about our prayer life?
 - ii. What does this say about the importance of attending church?
 - iii. What does this say about the importance of how we live and model life for our wives, children and those we work with?
- 2. In Hebrews 10:19 believers are invited to come with confidence into the Holy Place. How can we come confidently into the presence of God without falling into the sin of irreverence?
- 3. Isaiah heard the seraphim calling to one another, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of His glory." What is the significance of the repeating something three times?
 - a. What does this day to us about the importance which God places upon His holiness?
- 4. The seraphim said that the whole world is full of God's glory.
 - a. Does this correspond to your perspective of the world you live in?
 - b. When you look around you at the world you live in do you sing the same song?
- 5. Look at the following verses and describe the conditions of society in Isaiah's day.
 - a. Isaiah 5:8-10
 - b. 5:11
 - c. 5:18-19

- d. 5:20
- e. 5:21
- f. 5:22-23
 - i. Compare the conditions of society in Isaiah's time with our society today.
- 6. Each of us faces the certainty of entering into the presence of God at death. As you contemplate this How does it make you feel and how does it change the way you live your life?
- 7. How does your concept of heaven compare with what is presented in Isaiah 6:1-4?
- 8. While seraphs must shield their eyes, and Moses was permitted only a backward glimpse of God's glory we shall behold God's face in heaven. What does this prospect of the Beatific Vision s found in Numbers 6:24-26 and 1 John3:2. What will permit us to behold God in His pure, divine essence?

Questions at the end of the chapter.

- 1. Have you ever had an experience in which you were overcome by God's presence, in which you were "undone" by God's presence?
- 2. Isaiah's response to God's revelation of His holiness was, "Woe is me." What is your response?
- 3. In what ways do you need to be refined by the fire of God's holiness?
- 4. What aspect of God's holiness, as described in this chapter, causes you to worship Him more fully?
- 5. Use the hymn at the end of this book to express your worship of God. "Glory to the Holy One"