I. **FIRST, WE NEED TO SEE WHAT ISAIAH SAW.**

   A. First, Isaiah saw God’s **position**—6:1b ... I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

      1. The Bible seems to say that no one can **see** God.

      2. Apparently Isaiah also thought he would **die** after seeing God 6:5 “Woe to me!” I cried......my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

      3. The Apostle John tells us that Isaiah actually saw **Jesus** that day—John 12:41 **Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus’ glory and spoke about him.**

      4. In the last book of the Bible, Revelation, we are told that someday we will all see God **face to face**—Rev. 22:4 **They (we)will see his face ...**

      5. What Isaiah actually saw was a “**theophany**” or symbolic appearance of God.—Ezek 1:26 ... high above on the throne was a figure like that of a man; John 4:24 **God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”**

      6. Isaiah’s description of God was like that of an **earthly king**—6:1b ... I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

   B. Second, Isaiah also saw God’s **personality**—6:2-3.

      1. The angelic beings that revealed God’s personality are called “**seraphim**” meaning “the burning ones”.

      2. **Fire** is a symbol of God’s presence, as on Mt. Sinai—Ex. 3:2.

      3. Today we describe God’s personality in terms of **extremes**.

      4. The dominating personality trait of God is **holiness**—6:3...“**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty...**

      5. The word holy became Isaiah’s favorite way to refer to God “**the Holy One of Israel**” repeated 29 times throughout the rest of his book.

      6. Isaiah understood the importance of God’s holiness, although King Uzziah had been a good king, the Lord is **holy** king.

   C. Third, Isaiah saw God’s **presence**.

      1. Isaiah saw two images illustrating God’s presence.
a. One, Isaiah saw the long train of God’s robe signifying that God’s presence was the central focus of his vision—6:1...the train of his robe filled the temple.

b. Second, Isaiah saw the smoke 6:4 At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

2. Both images, the long flowing train and the smoke reminded Isaiah that King Uzziah was gone, but God is still here!

II. SECOND, WE NEED TO SENSE WHAT ISAIAH SENSED.

A. First, Isaiah sensed his own condition—6:5.

B. Second, Isaiah sensed the need for his own cleansing—6:6-7.

III. THIRD, WE NEED TO SAY WHAT ISAIAH SAID.

A. First, Isaiah said “I’m Available”—6:8.

B. Second, Isaiah said “I’m Agreeable”.