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Mono-Vision (The Sight Series #3)

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Isaiah 6:1-13 ¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted; and the train of His robe filled the temple. ²Above Him stood seraphim, each having six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. ³And they were calling out to one another: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of Hosts; all the earth is full of His glory.” ⁴At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook, and the temple was filled with smoke. ⁵Then I said: “Woe is me, for I am ruined, because I am a man of unclean lips dwelling among a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of Hosts.” ⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, and in his hand was a glowing coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And with it he touched my mouth and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your iniquity is removed and your sin is atoned for.” ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: “Whom shall I send? Who will go for Us?” And I said: “Here am I. Send me!” ⁹And He replied: “Go and tell this people, Be ever hearing, but never understanding; be ever seeing, but never perceiving.’ ¹⁰Make the hearts of this people calloused; deafen their ears and close their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.” ¹¹Then I asked: “How long, O Lord?” And He replied: “Until cities lie in ruins without an inhabitant, until the houses are left unoccupied, and the land is desolate and ravaged, ¹²until the LORD has driven men far away, and the land is utterly forsaken. ¹³And though a tenth remains in the land, it will be burned again. As the terebinth and oak leave stumps when felled, so the holy seed will be a stump in the land.” (BSB)

I. Here are the details of this passage.

- A. This vision happened after a **traumatic** time in Isaiah’s life. V.1
- B. He had a fresh **vision** of the Living God! V.2-4
- C. This encounter led him to **realize** his need for God. V.5
- D. He received a **cleansing** from God. V.6-7
- E. He heard of the need for someone to be the **spokesman** of God to his people. V.8
- F. He had a **willing** heart to go. V.8
- G. He received a call from God for **ministry**. V.9-10
- H. His ministry would be a **difficult** one with little fruit. V.11-13

II. What should our response be to this passage?

- A. We need to stop looking for **paradise** here on earth.
- B. We need a fresh **vision** of God!
- C. We need a fresh **encounter** with the living God.
- D. We must **obey** God when He gives us a task to do.
- E. We must adopt His standards of **success** for our ministry.