



Mighty in the Word

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; But unto us which are saved it is the power of God" (I Cor. 1.18).

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Lord
Jesus Christ*

The Glory of the Lord Come Down

Hear the Word of the Lord God, the beauty and power of the Word of God:

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *[is]* the LORD of hosts: the whole earth *[is]* full of his glory.

And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke (Isa 6.1-4).

Reading the Holy Word, the Holy Bible, is to sit in the presence of the Lord God in His Holy Word and open your heart and life, stepping into His presence and being present to the Lord, to allow Him to touch your life and change it for His glory, for service unto Him – as we shall see that Isaiah did. His life was changed mightily and gloriously as he experienced the glory of the Lord.

Isaiah saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. It seems that today all that is put before us is of the world; it is deadly, taking life from us, leading us down a path to death – and, yet, people are dancing to the tune of death, believing it is living.

There are others who saw what Isaiah saw: Micaiah; I K 22.19; Daniel; Dan 7.13. The Lord has touched His servants as He reaches out to call them to walk with Him in obedience to His Word.

1Ki 22:19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.

Dan 7:13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *[one]* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

Dan 7:14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *[is]* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *[that]* which shall not be destroyed.

Oh, what would it be like to experience His presence filling the temple, the temple of our bodies, the temple where we reside, the temple where we serve the Lord, Himself? How would I be changed if His presence filled my life, filled where I live, filled each of us going forth in the Name of the Lord to serve Him – together, under His Lordship?

<[A Psalm] of David.> I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.
In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, *[and]* strengthenedst me *[with]* strength in my soul.
All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.
Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *[is]* the glory of the LORD.
Though the LORD *[be]* high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me (Ps 138/1-7).

Oh! The glory of His presence!

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Come apart and rest (Mark 6.31).

What would the cost be to experience His presence in our lives? We have but to look at Isaiah's life, but first let us look at His life as the Lord touches Isaiah, calling Him to go for the Lord.

History reveals to us that Isaiah was sawn asunder by King Manassas. Reading some of the Fathers of the Church, the Ante Nicene writings record and refer to King' Manassas's cruelty and how Isaiah was sawn asunder as well as others.

Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

And others had trial of *[cruel]* mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and *[in]* mountains, and *[in]* dens and caves of the earth.

And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect (Heb 11.35-40).

We do not have to go very far back into history when you and I were made aware of many through history to include today have been persecuted and tortured with great cruelty. Do you remember the five men in another country who, by one of the religions of the world, who have a jesus in their religion, cut out the *innards* of these men while alive – because – all because of their love for the Lord Jesus Christ?

Oh, one has to be very deaf towards the Lord God Almighty not to understand, to know, about the martyrs for the Lord Jesus Christ even in our day. Do you think those who love the only living Lord God Almighty in Jesus Christ with their lives in the – uh – well – are we no longer the country we have been told we are all through the years – well in this place, do you think they are spared suffering here? Oh, open your heart and, yes, unto the Lord to see what has not only been going on all through history, but to include today!

Oh, that the glory of the Lord would cover the Tabernacle, the Church, the people of God in Christ Jesus. Few there are who want or even care to know about the Lord God and how His presence, His glory, comes down in the midst of a people who worship Him in their words, but also their lives.

Sad to say, few go to a place of worship expecting the glory of the Lord to come down. Few want it as, I fear, too many go to socialize, and to hear how good they are – and God loves them so much He has their *backs* covered.

Oh, my Jesus, have we forgotten who we are not? Isaiah came to realize who he was not as the glory of the Lord came down in his midst. Upon experiencing the glory of the Lord, he cried out (Isa 6.5-8)

Then said I, *Woe [is] me!* for I am undone; because I [am] a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: **for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.**

And, then Isaiah experienced his need of the Lord, experienced his sinfulness and need to be forgiven, cleansed and made whole, and saw that he stood in need of the Lord's cleansing. It was

then that Isaiah could hear the calling of the Lord upon his life and responded to the Lord, "Here am I; send me."

Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, *[which]* he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

And he laid *[it]* upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here *[am] I*; send me.

The Old Testament writers knew much about the glory of the Lord and how the Lord came down in the midst of a people who worshiped Him, who loved Him with their lives. It is beautiful to read what these people of our heritage experienced and how they experienced the presence of the Lord mighty.

Oh, how I long to have known, to have experienced His glory as did Isaiah and all those who through history have experienced the glory of the Lord come down! ! Oh, but – I want to experience His glory, but, I must speak the truth. I fear that thinking of my brothers and sisters and what they have gone through for the Lord makes me realize how weak I am for I do not want to experience what my brothers and sisters have experienced and what those today also experience, the pain and suffering – all for the love of the Lord Jesus Christ. May God forgive me and strengthen me!

Psa 104:31 The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever: the LORD shall rejoice in his works.

Psa 138:5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *[is]* the glory of the LORD.

There are many scriptures that give insight to the glory of the Lord, the beauty of His holiness, if we but seek Him and His holy ways.

Albert Barnes' Notes on the Bible reveals information and sources concerning the strong possibility that Isaiah was indeed sawn asunder in his notes on the Book of Isaiah. Albert Barnes refers to writings that are much earlier than his. I believe this is also found in the writings of the Church Fathers, the Ante Nicene Fathers..

It comes to me, Are those attending church going with expectation to seeing and experiencing the glory of the Lord? How long since you have heard of the glory of the Lord come down in the midst of the people who truly love and adore Him, and worship Him?

Oh, read the Holy Bible and learn of Him Who died for you. Learn of those all through history who have loved the Lord with their lives such as Stephen.

There is a chorus which comes to me:

Jesus, I adore Thee,
Lay my life before Thee.
How I love Thee. *Author Unknown*

Oh, Isaiah and many others sang this chorus with their hearts, their lives – though the chorus came to us only recently They understood those words with their lives. I have to ask, Where are you and I? Do we desire to see and experience the glory of the Lord God in Christ Jesus to come down?