

Isaiah 6:8

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

After cleansing (verse 6-7), Isaiah hears God's call: 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?' The plural 'Us' hints at divine plurality (Trinity). Isaiah's eager response 'Here am I; send me' demonstrates readiness born from experiencing grace. He volunteers without knowing the message content, trusting the God who called and cleansed him. True ministry flows from encounter with God's holiness and experience of His grace.

Historical Context

Isaiah's commission parallels Moses's burning bush experience and Paul's Damascus road encounter. God's question implies not divine uncertainty but seeking willing servants who respond freely to His call.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does experiencing God's cleansing grace motivate your willingness to serve?
2. What ministry assignment might God be calling you to that requires simply saying 'Here am I'?

Interlinear Text

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Also I heard הָיָה אֶת־יְאַשְׁטָמָע
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the voice of the Lord for us Then said
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לְכָה־יְאַמְּרָנָה שְׁלַח־נִי
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Send me I Here am I send

Additional Cross-References

Acts 22:21 (Parallel theme): And he said unto me, Depart: for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.

Ephesians 3:8 (Parallel theme): Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

Isaiah 65:1 (Parallel theme): I am sought of them that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by my name.

Acts 20:24 (References Lord): But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

Genesis 1:26 (Parallel theme): And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl

of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Genesis 11:7 (Parallel theme): Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

Ezekiel 1:24 (Parallel theme): And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

1 Kings 22:20 (References Lord): And the LORD said, Who shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.

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