

Worship Service

May 17, 2015

*Worship Song	Together with Band
Opening Prayer	Pastor
Bible Reading	Isaiah 6:1-8..... Lyle Atonson
Prayer	Ramon Roman
Announcements	Solomon Berhanu
Offering Prayer	Pastor
Offering	Together
Special Song	ESF Band
Message	The Vision of the Holy God Timothy Hong
*Benediction	Pastor
* <i>Please stand</i>	

Today's Sermon Outline

The Vision of the Holy God

Isaiah 6:1-8

Turn your eyes upward

King Uzziah had been one of the best kings in the history of Israel. During the king's reign, the land had enjoyed peace and prosperity. Now the king was dead. The death of Uzziah meant the death of security for the nation. Isaiah had been closely working with the king for the good of the nation. Now Isaiah was saddened and depressed by the king's death.

But God brought Isaiah comfort and hope. How? By revealing His glorious presence to Isaiah, God did that. Isaiah, in the midst of troublesome times, said, "I saw the Lord!" While he was seeing the glory and holiness of the almighty God, the troubles in his life became small. And he felt peace and security.

God uses troubled situations to make us turn our eyes to Him. In hopeless times, we turn our eyes upward. As soon as we see God's glorious presence, our great troubles become small (Psalm 123:2).

So when you feel hopeless because of great troubles, do what Isaiah did. Turn your eyes upward. Look unto God! See His majesty, His power, His splendor, His glory, His holiness. In God's glorious presence, your troubles become small like dust and you will see hope again.

Receive God's renewing grace

Isaiah thought that his troubles were coming because the good king had died and the nation was facing crisis. But God helped Isaiah to see himself first and to receive God's renewing grace for himself. God showed Isaiah how sinful he was. When Isaiah confessed his sins, God graciously cleansed his sins. God renewed his spirit. Through that, God brought hope to his life.

Like Isaiah, we may think that troubles in our lives come from circumstances: bad economy, betrayal of friends, social injustice, our spouse, our children, etc. So we think that to overcome the troubles in our lives, we have to solve those outside sources of our troubles first.

But when God brings solutions to our troubles, He does not solve the outside problems first. Instead, God solves the problems within us.

This is how God brings hope in our lives. If you want to solve the problems in your life, stop struggling with the problems. Open your heart to God and try to see yourself through God's holy eyes. Seek God's spiritual renewal for yourself. Receive the power of God's Spirit for your inner being. And God will enable you to overcome all your problems through the inner power.

Hear God's calling

When the great king Uzziah died, and troubles were coming from every side, Isaiah thought that there was nothing he could do to bring hope to his country. At that time, Isaiah heard the voice of the Lord. *Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?*

By this word God was telling Isaiah that there was still something to do. God was telling him that God wanted to use Isaiah to bring hope to the hopeless world. When Isaiah heard such a calling from God, he responded to God: "*Here am I. Send me!*" His worry was gone. His downcast spirit was uplifted. His hopeless feeling was gone. He became enthusiastic to step up for the calling of God.

When there is nothing we can do about our troubles, God still has wonderful plans for our lives. In God's way of thinking, there are endless opportunities in spite of the many troubles around us. He is calling you for the mission. If you say "*Here am I, send me*" to the calling, God will empower you with His Spirit. He will open the doors to great opportunities for you.

Applications

1. Is there any trouble in your life through which God helps you seek Him and see His glorious presence?
2. How does God solve your problems by cleansing and strengthening your inner being?
3. How can you capture great opportunities which God provides?

Announcements

Lunch Serving

This week— Erlyn Balano, Yolanda Jalico
Next week (5/24) – Youth group

Prayer requests

- *Traveling mercies for Pastor Timothy Hong who will be in Brazil and Peru for a couple of weeks starting tomorrow. He will be back on May 30 (Saturday).
- * For all the pastors and leaders who will take care of ministries on behalf of pastor Hong during his absence.
- * For Margarita who will stay with us for three more months to get advanced leadership training.

Special Thanks

To those who helped Haroon Wilson and Anayza Gill to have a blessed wedding ceremony and banquet yesterday.

Volunteers for Church Cleaning on Sundays (May)

Place	Group	Leader
Fellowship Hall	Filipino	Lyle Atonson
Sanctuary	Hope /African/Korean/English	Matthew Parks
Bathroom & Hallway	Spanish	Analís Garcia
Sunday school rooms & Offices	College & Youth group	Aldrick Lim

Ushers of the Month of May

Offering ushers	Martha Velasquez, Jovie Dumlao, Raul Lopez, Blanka Guerra
Welcome ushers	Priscilla Caronongan, Lidia Lopez, Analís Garcia
Kitchen	Lunch preparation group

Last week's offering

Tithe	Kaya & Songul Armagan//Lyle & Lynn Atonson//Bong & Priscilla Caronongan//Rene & Lynn Corachea//Teresita Dumagpi//Jovi Dumlao//Gail Hill//Lydia Hong//Aldrick & Jessica Lim//Lidia Lopez//Alex & Analís Lucas//Mothers day//Bethzabe Leon//Bethsy Rodriguez//Bong & Priscilla Caronongan
Lord's Day	Timothy Hong//Andrea Martin//Zofia Szczepaniak//Haroo Wilson
Thanksgiving	Lyle & Lynn Atonson//Gail Hill
Mission	Gail Hill//Lydia Hong//Aldrick & Jessica Lim//Ramos Carlos Lopez//Samuel Lebbie//Lidia Lopez

Weekly Bible Reading Chart

Date	Old Testament	Check	New Testament	√
5/18(Monday)	2 Kings 23-25		John 7:1-31	
5/19(Tuesday)	1 Chronicles 1-2		John 7:32-53	
5/20(Wednesday)	1 Chronicles 3-5		John 8:1-20	
5/21(Thursday)	1 Chronicles 6-7		John 8:21-36	
5/22(Friday)	1 Chronicles 8-10		John 8:37-59	
5/23 (Saturday)	1 Chronicles 11-13		John 9:1-23	
5/24 (Sunday)	1 Chronicles 14-16		John 9:24-41	

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<p><u>Worship services:</u> Sunday 11:30 AM -Main Worship Service for All</p> <p><u>Prayer services</u> Fridays 8:00 PM Sundays 9:30 AM - Room 105</p> <p><u>Bible Study</u> Shepherd Group –Wednesday 8:00 PM Open to all – Saturday 10:30 AM Cell groups –By appointment Hope group – Sunday 10:00 AM</p>	<p><u>Cell Groups</u> According to arrangement of each cell <u>Campus Ministry</u> Wednesday- At Truman</p> <p><u>Youth Ministry</u> Sunday – 1:30 PM <u>Children's ministry</u> Sunday school- Sunday 11:30 AM</p> <p><u>ESF Band Practice</u> Saturday 5:00pm & Sunday 10:00am</p>
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Missionaries

- Nancy Campo – Campus ministry in Peru
- Miguelina Martinez- Campus ministry in Dominican Republic
- Suri Kumar – Campus ministry and Hindu ministry in India
- Jordan Custorio – Campus ministry in Philippines
- Richard Shaffer – Campus ministry in USA
- Paul Uzoma –Campus ministry in Benin, Africa
- Rahab Lee – Campus ministry in Asia
- Chan Park – Church planting ministry in Croatia, Europe

Ministers

- Senior pastor -Timothy Hong
- Hope group ministry- Sang H. Lee Youth group ministry- Aldrick Lim
- Audio visual ministry -Ki Wang Song
- Assistant pastors– Harold Goneh, Kurt Schwartz, Solomon Berhanu