

FROM RUINED TO READY

Isaiah 6

Isaiah chapter 6 reveals Isaiah’s call to be God’s prophet. In this heavenly encounter, Isaiah’s confidence hits rock bottom as he feels guilty and undone in the midst of God’s glorious majesty. But God restores Isaiah and calls him to deliver a message to God’s people—a message that will not be readily received. Isaiah goes from being ruined to ready.

When are those times when we feel ruined and undone because of life’s circumstances or our own missteps? Despite our flaws and shortcomings, might God be calling *us* to deliver his message to a skeptical, apathetic world?

MOVING FROM RUINED TO READY

1. **ADMIT** your sins and weaknesses. v5

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1.9

I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. 2 Corinthians 12.7-8

2. **ACCEPT** God’s forgiveness. *...your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.* v6

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are. For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard. Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. Romans 3.22-25

3. Make yourself **AVAILABLE TO GOD** “Here am I.” v8

4. Live your life as an **AMBASSADOR** for Jesus. “And who will go for us?” ... “Send me!” v8

We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. 2 Corinthians 5.20

- Be **TRUTH**-full vv9-10

- Be **GRACE**-full “[Oh my, no.] For how long, Lord?” v11

- Be **FAITHFUL** “For how long, Lord?” v11-13

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1.7



What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?