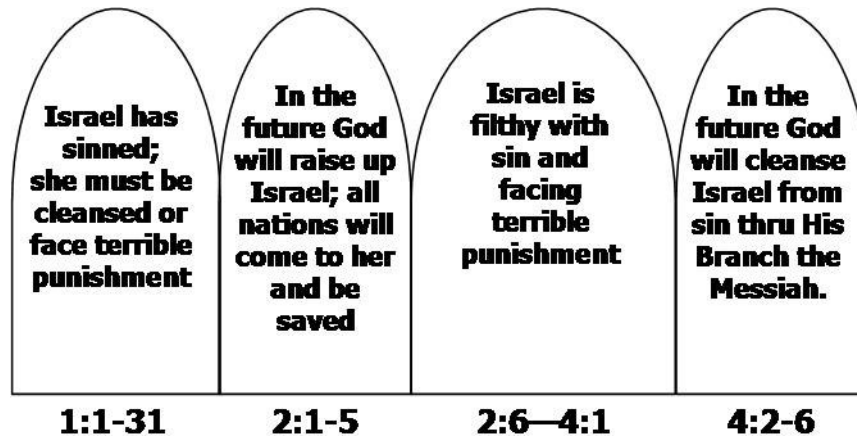


How we can be Cleansed from Sin's Guilt Isaiah 5-6

What has Isaiah said so far? (1:1 — 4:6)



How much does Israel need cleansing? (5:1-30)

Israel is like a vineyard which God has planted but which has produced terrible grapes (5:1-7).
Isaiah speaks 6 woes against Israel for her sin (5:8-23).
God will bring nations against Israel to destroy her (5:24-30).

How can Israel be cleansed from her sin? (6:1-8)

Isaiah saw God: His absolute authority, perfect holiness, revealed glory (6:1-4).

Isaiah saw his sin in light of who God is (6:5).

Isaiah saw that he deserved only punishment from God (6:5).

God cleansed Isaiah from all his guilt (6:6-7).

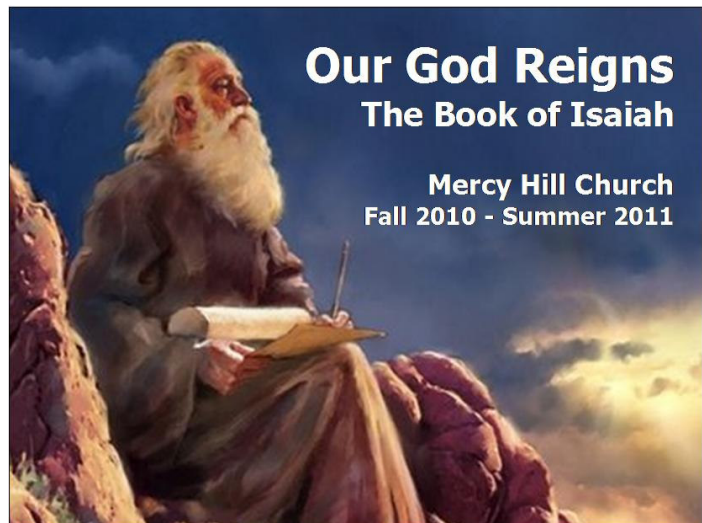
Isaiah's heart became completely surrendered to God (6:8).

What does this mean for us?

First, ask yourself if you have been cleansed from sin's guilt.

Second, if not, then see God, see your sin in light of God, see that you deserve punishment from God, trust God's mercy in Christ – and your guilt will lift and God's forgiveness will come.

Third, let God's cleansing love strengthen your trust in Him – so you are completely surrendered to Him.



HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING

(Sometimes in our home groups we talk about Sunday's teaching, so we can work together on responding to God's Word — asking questions, sharing insights, talking together.)

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

What aspect of God impacted you the most — His absolute authority, His perfect holiness, or His revealed glory? Why?

Is it possible for someone to be genuinely saved without experiencing this sort of cleansing from sin's guilt? Why or why not?

What's the difference between seeing your sin in light of other people or yourself, and seeing your sin in light of who God is?

Is it possible to be cleansed from sin's guilt and to receive God's forgiveness and not end up being fully surrendered to God? Why or why not?

What's your take-away from this message? What are you going to do differently? When? How?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

Israel has sinned; she must cleanse herself or face terrible punishment	In the future God will raise up Israel; all nations will come to her and be saved	Israel is filthy with sin and facing terrible punishment	In the future God will cleanse Israel from sin thru His Branch the Messiah.	Israel's sin is a terrible wrong against God; God will bring nations to punish her.	How can Israel cleanse herself from sin? The same way Isaiah was cleansed.
1:1-31	2:1-5	2:6—4:1	4:2-6	5:1-30	6:1-13

