

HERE AM I, SEND ME!

01-12-25

WORSHIP (15 MINS)

For Married Couples

Venue: Home gatherings

Sing one or two songs or play a song from You Tube.

Venue: Public place (school, café, park, etc.) or Via Online,

Testimonies: "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?" Opening Prayer: Pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal to us how to know

Christ in a deeper way.

WELCOME (15 MINS)

Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

Memory Verse for the week: Isaiah 6: 8

Ice-breaker Questions:

1. Have you ever met someone famous or important? How did it feel?

2. Do you feel confident around influential people, or do you get nervous? Why?

WORD(30-45 MINS) Text: Isaiah 6:1-8 NIV

Intro: King Uzziah ruled Judah for 52 years, bringing prosperity through his devotion to God. However, his pride led to his downfall, and he lived in isolation after being struck with leprosy. By the end of his reign, the Assyrian empire under Tiglath-Pileser III threatened Judah. As Assyria grew in power, Isaiah was called to prophesy to a spiritually rebellious and unresponsive Judah. Let's talk about what led to Isaiah responding to God's call to go and be His messenger:

1. Isaiah saw the Lord – Read Isaiah 6: 1-4

After King Uzziah died, Isaiah had a powerful vision of God on His throne, showing His ultimate power. Angels shouted out, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty," reminding Isaiah of God's perfect holiness. This vision gave Isaiah hope and made him see how great God is, and making all the problems of the nation of Judah seem small in comparison.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does this vision of God teach us about who God is and why He deserves our worship?
- 2. How can knowing God's greatness and holiness encourage us to telll other married couples about Him?
- 3. How can seeing God's greatness help us face challenges in our marriage, in our family, etc.?

Prayer focus: Let us pray that during this year, we will experience God's holy presence in our lives.

2. Isaiah received mercy instead of judgement - Read Isaiah 6:5-7

When Isaiah saw God's holiness, he realized his sinfulness and confessed his unworthiness. God showed grace by purifying him with a coal, preparing him for His calling. In the same way, through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, believers receive mercy and are made right with God through a relationship with Him. Acknowledging our sin is the first step to receiving God's forgiveness and grace.

Discussion questions:

- 1. Why is it important to admit and repent of our sins before God? How about with our spouses?
- 2. How important is our relationship with Christ in helping our other married friends to see their need for Him in their lives and in their marriages?

Leader's Tips:

- S Sensitivity. No one should feel left out.
- P Participation is encouraged.
- A Acknowledge. Make guests feel welcomed.
- C Confidentiality. What is shared stays in the group.
- E Encouragement. Be a blessing to one another.

Prayer focus: Let us pray that God reveals anything in our hearts that displeases Him, so we may repent and fully surrender our lives to Him.

3. He heard a question from God! All it took was a simple question from God for Isaiah to answer "yes" to His call –

After experiencing God's glory, Isaiah was transformed from being a sinner to be a willing servant. He responded to God's call, saying, "Here am I. Send me!" Despite the challenges of his mission to a rebellious and sinful nation, Isaiah's vision and encounter with God fueled his commitment. Like Isaiah, God calls those who have received His grace to share the good news and make disciples.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does experiencing God's forgiveness influence the way we approach challenges in our marriage?
- 2. What can we learn from Isaiah's response, ("Here am I. Send me,") about being willing to serve God together as a couple and therefore reflect His love to others?

Prayer focus: Let's pray that we will all become sensitive to God's heart and respond with absolute obedience to his call.

Conclusion: God, in His love, sacrificed His Son for our sins, offering mercy and grace we don't deserve. Though we deserve judgment, He chose compassion. In gratitude, may we, like Isaiah, be ready to say, "Here I am, send me," and embrace His mission to bring others to Him. Who will answer His call today?

Are you willing to say, "Here I am Lord, send me!"

What is your take-away from this lesson?

WORK: The Challenge (15 mins.)

- P- Pray for one another. Ask "what can I pray for you?"
- **R- Remin**d to invite a friend on the next gathering.
- A- Apply the message during the week.
- **Y- Yearn** to share your faith with someone during the week.