

Isaiah 6:1-8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. ³And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

⁵"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty."

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" *Isaiah 6:1-8 NIV*

1. What are the seraphim? Look at Rev. 4:6 and Ezekiel 10:1 for some help.
2. What makes their voices so terrifying? What was the purpose of the smoke?
3. Where is this place? Why is Isaiah so afraid? After being cleansed, the voice of the Lord did not terrify him.
4. Why did Isaiah volunteer? Did Isaiah really volunteer?

Acts 2:22-28

²²"Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.

²⁴But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

²⁵David said about him: "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

²⁶Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, ²⁷because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence." *Acts 2:22-28 NIV*

1. Read all of Acts 2. Who's talking here?
2. Did the Jews deny Jesus' miracles? What could be more convincing than seeing Jesus heal the sick, make the blind see, feed thousands, calm the storm, walk on water, etc.? Why did they kill Jesus if they believed Jesus' miracles?
3. Ps 16:8-11. Did David have a vision when he wrote this? How did David model what he said?

John 3:5-8,16-17

⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' ⁸The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. *John 3:5-8,16-17 NIV*

1. What does it mean to be born again? What was Nicodemus relying on to be saved?
2. How is regeneration or being born in the Spirit accomplished for us?
3. Who did Jesus come to save? Did Jesus come to condemn us or redeem us?
4. Will Jesus eventually judge us?