

III. RENEW YOUR **OUTWARD** VISION OF **OTHERS** (6:8-9a)

A. The **question** of service (6:8a).

“36 But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

38 Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.” Matthew 9:36-38

A vision of God leads to a visitation from God which leads to us becoming a **volunteer** for God.

B. The **commitment** of service (6:8b).

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.” Romans 12:1-2

The greatest ability is **availability**.

C. The **place** of service (6:9a).

“Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!” John 4:35

Are you a laborer in God’s **harvest**?

AWAKEN RENEWAL IN YOUR LIFE!!

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I Corinthians 15:34

AWAKEN ~ 21 DAYS OF PRAYER, RENEWAL & IMPACT

Awaken Renewal

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INTRODUCTION

A. *Awaken* is an invitation for you to fast and pray over the course of the next three weeks for a revival of God’s presence and work in your own life and church. The goal of that revival in you is for God’s glory to be revealed to a watching world that needs to know Him. When large numbers or high percentages of people are transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, spiritual awakening is the result. Communities change. Cities change. And yes, nations can change. Spiritual awakening is what we need in our nation, but revival of God’s people is a spiritual prerequisite.

--Claude V. King

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B. This series will help you learn how to:

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| Mar 26 | Awaken Prayer |
| TODAY | Awaken Renewal |
| Apr 9 | Awaken Impact |

C. **TEXT:** Isaiah 6:1-9a (Pew Bible/Pg. 671/Old Testament)

HOW TO AWAKEN RENEWAL

I. RENEW YOUR **UPWARD** VISION OF **GOD** (6:1-4)

A. The **period** of this revelation (6:1a).

“A time to gain, And a time to lose;...” Ecclesiastes 3:6a

1. It was time of **sorrow**.

Isaiah lost an **earthly** king (v 1).

“But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.”

I Thessalonians 4:13

2. It was a time of **spiritual** renewal.

Isaiah gained a **heavenly** king (v 5).

“8 It is better to trust in the LORD Than to put confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the LORD Than to put confidence in princes.” Psalm 118:8-9

B. The **particulars** of this revelation (6:1b-4).

“Who is like You, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like You, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders?” Exodus 15:11

“No one is holy like the LORD, For there is none besides You, Nor is there any rock like our God.” I Samuel 2:2

II. RENEW YOUR **INWARD** VISION OF **SELF** (6:5-7)

A. Isaiah’s **confession** of sin (v 5).

“He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.”

Proverbs 28:13

His confession was **specific** (a sinful tongue).

“16 These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:

17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood,

18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil,

19 A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.” Proverbs 6:16-19

“14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance;

15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,

16 because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy.”

I Peter 1:14-16

B. Isaiah’s **cleansing** of sin (vs 6-7).

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

I John 1:9

God touches us at the point of our greatest **need**.

“19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ[a] depart from iniquity.”

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor.

21 Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

22 Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.” II Timothy 2:19-22