

- I. God sets this vision before Isaiah at the time of his ordination.
- II. The word of God reminds us to keep our focus on the thrice holy God as synod begins.

The Vision of the Holy God

I. The Glorious God

- A. Isaiah sees the Lord sitting on a throne, in His glory.
 1. The prophet sees seraphim, who draw our attention to the holy God in all of His glory.
 2. The emphasis in the vision is the one who sits on throne in the temple: the Lord.
- B. These angels around the throne call to each other, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts...
 1. What does it mean that God is holy?
 2. He is holy, holy, holy. Why repeated?

II. The Necessary Knowledge

- A. Seeing the Holy God sitting on His throne in holiness motivates us to work for His glory.
 1. Isaiah learns from this vision not to fear people, but God.
 2. This vision motivates us as a synod to do our work for the glory of the thrice holy God.
- B. The text teaches us that seeing the glory of God qualifies us for this work.
 1. Isaiah goes from shattered to saying confidently, Here am I, send me.
 2. As delegates to the synod we are qualified as those who know the Holy God.

III. The Sure Success

- A. The result of these words spoken by the seraphim was that the posts of the door moved and the house was filled with smoke.
- B. We can be assured that the presence of the holy God will do the same thing in His church and in the synod of the PRC in 2017.