



THIS IS YOUR SPACE TO STAND UP

REFLECTION POINTS 15 NOVEMBER 2020

BIBLE READINGS - ISAIAH 6:1-8



In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ 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!’

These are words of faith
Thanks be to God

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God calls, God equips and God sends. But how, who and why?

What is a call to God’s ministry?
How is God’s church equipped?
And how is God’s church sent?

We, as members of God’s church, are **all** to confess our faith in God.

In this way, we are called to God’s ministry.

There are many different forms of ministry, both ordained and lay, stipended ministry and voluntary, inside the church community and beyond into the wider community and world.

We are endowed with gifts by the Spirit in order to undertake God’s ministry.

With each gift, there is a **responsibility** to use it in God’s ministry.

A dictionary definition of **discernment** is ‘the ability to judge well.’

As followers of Jesus, believers in God, we make good judgements and decisions when we involve God in that process.

We can only involve God when we stop to listen to God.

When the church has stopped in order to listen for God’s call, and when the church has heard that call and tested it, the church can then respond.

How does this make you feel?

Can you think of a time when you have heard that call from God?

How did you test it?

Who did you involve in the testing?

How did you respond?

What did you learn from that process?

