



## EXERCISING YOUR MIND IN **Worship**

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### **Focal Passage**

**I was glad when they said to me., Let us go into the house of the Lord. *Isaiah 6:1–8***

### **Suggestions for the Lesson**

#### ***Introducing the Lesson (5–7min.)***

- Ask the class, what is the one thing that everyone wants out of life (power, wealth, friends, money, peace, health)? All these are things we may think of, but they lead to one answer—happiness.” Let the class ponder on that for a moment.
- Then ask, how do we achieve true happiness...  
An ongoing and growing relationship with Christ.
- How do we achieve that?  
True worship. Let the class ponder on that.
- It is when we enter a conversation with God either with others in group worship, or when we are by ourselves in our quiet time.
- When worshipped, God gives us an outline that He would like us to follow....

#### ***Reviewing and Exploring the Biblical Material (30 min.)***

- In Isaiah, the prophet encounters God through a dream or vision. The first 4 verses deal with the fact that all in heaven are around the throne PRAISING God. This tells us that in order to fully receive Gods presence we are to praise him—through singing, telling him of his greatness, thanking him for his goodness, and so much more. It is important not to focus on our needs, but instead we should focus on his greatness and goodness.
- Then we see in verse 4 that the Holy Spirit was moved to action and in verse 5 convicted Isaiah of his sins. That’s what always happens when we are in the presence of God. He lets us know where we have been wrong, and how he wants to right us with him. It is NEVER condemning, but is a wooing of the spirit in our own lives.
- Verse 6 shows that after we CONFESS our sins He is there to forgive us and clean us so that we are now ready and able to receive his instruction for our lives. This is found in verse 8. This is called the PROCLAMATION. Now is the time for us to study his word and let him speak to us and teach us.
- At the end of verse 8, we see the question for us to ask is, what may I do to SERVE and honor you?

#### ***Concluding the Lesson (5–7min.)***

- We need to always make sure that we PRAISE him, CONFESS our sins, let him speak to us through the PROCLAMATION of the word and then be ready to go out and SERVE him.



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### ***Questions for Discussion*** (10-15 min.)

1. How do you see these concepts in the way we experience worship at UBC?
2. What style of music is important to God when we worship him? Organ or Drums, guitars or flutes?
3. How is worship important in your relationship with Christ?
4. Which part of worship is easiest for you? Hardest?
5. Why should a time of thankfulness be part of worship? When and where does thankfulness fit in?



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## Inductive Bible Study Worksheet

Scripture	Questions for Understanding	Observations
<b>Isaiah 6:1-8</b>		
<sup>1</sup> <i>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple.</i>		
<sup>2</sup> <i>Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.</i>		
<sup>3</sup> <i>And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."</i>		
<sup>4</sup> <i>At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.</i>		
<sup>5</sup> <i>"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."</i>		
<sup>6</sup> <i>Then one of the seraphs flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar.</i>		
<sup>7</sup> <i>With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."</i>		
<sup>8</sup> <i>Then 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!"</i>		

