

Blessings in the House

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A weekly devotional message for the family

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There have been those that have received a heavenly vision, and they were never the same. Their lives were changed by what they saw and heard.

Isaiah

(Isaiah 6:1-8) "In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. (2) Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. (3) And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. (4) And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. (5) Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. (6) Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: (7) And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. (8) Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."

Isaiah had a vision of heaven and the Lord sitting upon His throne. Isaiah saw and felt the glory of the Lord. Isaiah's first reaction was to repent of his sins. Then after Isaiah heard the call of God, he was ready to do whatever the Lord wanted him to do. Isaiah was changed by what he saw, felt and heard.

Abraham

(Hebrews 11:10) "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

Abraham saw a vision of the Lord and His heavenly city. That heavenly vision stayed with Abraham for the rest of his life. Abraham was willing to go anywhere and do anything for the Lord.

Moses

(Hebrews 11:24-28) "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; (25) Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; (26) Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward. (27) By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible. (28) Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them."

Moses saw a vision of the Lord, and heard His voice. That changed Moses' life forever. Moses was willing to do anything the Lord commanded him. With reverence Moses

followed the plan of salvation that the Lord gave him.

Noah

(Hebrews 11:7) "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."

By faith Noah, when he had a vision of coming destruction, was moved with fear, and followed the plan of salvation that the Lord gave him. This brought salvation to Noah and his whole family.

The Apostle Paul

(Acts 26:19) "Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

Before Paul was a Christian, he persecuted, tortured and killed Christians. Then Paul received a heavenly vision of the Lord. After the vision, Paul was will to do anything the Lord wanted him to do. This is what a heavenly vision should do; change our lives forever.

Nicodemus and Us

(John 3:3-5) "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. (4) Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? (5) Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

Jesus was telling Nicodemus how he could receive his own heavenly vision. As we are obedient to the plan of salvation, then we are able to receive a heavenly vision and a heavenly blessing. Jesus and His apostles tell us what the plan of salvation is. Jesus said, *(Mark 16:16) "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."* The apostle Peter said, *(Acts 2:38-39) "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. (39) For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call."*

As we repent and are water baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus, then all of our sins are completely removed. Then there is the blessing of receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit. This is being born of the water (water baptism) and born of the Spirit (receiving the baptism of the Holy Ghost).

There were records of people receiving a heavenly vision. And as a result of these visions, they followed the Lord and were willing to do whatever the Lord wanted them to do. Following the plan of salvation became easy, for they knew that the Lord was with them, and the Lord was pleased with their choice. Today, people are still receiving heavenly visions. Let us get a vision for ourselves. Let us follow the plan of salvation, for in it there are great rewards.