



The Story of Isaiah

The Prophets

Isaiah 1-39

Isaiah was in the Temple in Jerusalem. Isaiah had gone to the temple to pray to God. While he was in the temple, something wonderful happened to Isaiah. This is how Isaiah told the story in the Bible, God's word.

My name is Isaiah. I had my eyes closed while I was praying to God. But even with my eyes closed I could see something happening.

I could see God sitting on a big chair with angels all around. I could even hear what the angels were saying. "God is wonderful," said the angels. "Everything in the whole world shows us God's beauty."

Then I remembered that I hadn't always lived in God's way. Sometimes I said things that weren't true.

"What is going to happen to me?" I cried. "I have said things I shouldn't have said. So have my friends and family. Oh God, what are you going to do to me?"

With my eyes still closed, I could see one of the angels take a red hot coal. The angel came and touched it to my lips.

The angel said to me, "See? This hot coal has touched your lips. God knows you are sorry for the things you have done."

Then I heard God's voice. "I need someone who will talk to all my people about me. Who can I send?"

All of a sudden I heard my own lips saying, "Here I am. Send me."

When I opened my eyes I was still in the temple. There were other people in the temple, but they acted as if they hadn't seen or heard anything.

I knew then that God wanted me to be a prophet. God wanted me to go and tell the people. God wanted them to hear and understand too.

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Where are the prophets?

Sung to: "Where is Thumbkin"

Where is Elijah? Where is Elijah?
Here he is. Here he is!
Telling God's people, what God is saying
Listen now! Hear God's word!

Where is Isaiah? Where is Isaiah?
Here he is! Here he is!
Telling of God's Son, who is our Savior
Listen now! Hear God's word!

Where is Jeremiah? Where is Jeremiah?
Here he is! Here he is!
Telling us to follow, feel God's love
Listen now! Hear God's word!

Where is Ezekiel? Where is Ezekiel?
Here he is? Here he is?
Telling God's people God is always with them
Listen now! Hear God's word!

Who tells you about God? What message can you share with others about God? What is God saying to you today?