

## Prayer Week Two: God as the Most Elevated

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*“Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.”*

Matthew 6:9

Without a doubt, the centrality of Christ, His witness, and His praying was all in, around, and with His Father; for He “*hallowed*”<sup>1</sup> and loved His Father perfectly. He left for us both a demonstration and a teaching that we ought always to be about this business, not merely in word only, but in reality of lifestyle.

A true encountering relationship with God leads us to a place whereby we are to be about the “*hallowing*” of God – in private and in public. Yet, there is much in our lives we have to learn and yet bring into obedience and conformity to Christ and His will.

I love looking at the experience of Isaiah and his response to God.

*“I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called out to another and said,*

*‘Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole earth is full of His glory.’*

*And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke.*

*Then I said, ‘Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.’*

*Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs. He touched my mouth with it and said, ‘Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away and your sin is forgiven.’”<sup>2</sup>*

The true presence of God never leads us to acting like uncontrolled animals, nor like drunkards reveling in sin, nor like maniacs, nor like those with spasmodic movements of the flesh; but rather, personal sin is exposed and we are literally confronted with who we are apart from Christ. In this way, we are drawn unto repentance and begin to see God as is His eternal reality – The Most High who is hallowed and lifted up.

Let us this week, and forever and ever, be about the elevating of God, His name, His testimonies, His graces and mercies. Let us consider our ways, in light of His Word, and boast in Him alone.

*“Thus says the Lord, ‘Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not the rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on the earth; for I delight in these things,’ declares the Lord.”<sup>3</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> Consecrated to a sacred use, or to religious exercises; treated as sacred; revered. – Noah Websters Dictionary 1828

<sup>2</sup> Isaiah 6:1-6

<sup>3</sup> Jeremiah 9:23-24