

## **Phineas F. Bresee Sermon Notes - Isaiah 6:1**

Every attempt has been made to transcribe these notes accurately. Indecipherable text appears in brackets [-]. Abbreviations transcribed as they appear in the notes.

Isaiah VI 1-7

In the year king Uzziah died &c. Sacrifice, Alters, Temple, Blood [-] sprinkled, Mercy Seat, sculptured Cherubim were only the introduction by which our race was to be led to a comprehension of the [great facts] of Spt. W. Occasionally God gave to his people a clearer view & higher conception of what he would do for the world through his church. When humanity had been [fitted] &c. This was done by prophetic revelation. This vision of the prophet was but the raising of his mind by the H.S. through somewhat [figurative] representations to the manifestations of grace & the effects of those manifestations when Res. should be completed & the H.G. fully given. There was in it much of the dispensation under which he lived. But there was more. There was the temple but changed. The Cherubim &c. There the D. P. &c. And there was the weeping penitent & there the divine transforming power. The first thing of which he speaks in this vision is the Lord sitting upon a throne. He here learned & we may learn it too with all the light which history has thrown upon it. The Kingly characters of the L.J.C. He sits in the church the world's great temple as King of earth & ruler of universe. As well as Judge of quick & dead. We do well to look at him in this light. When so many of the people care so little about Jesus. When men profess disbelief without investigation. We do well to proclaim Christ's immortal kingship & that by every claim of sovereignty he demands our service. Men [-] every interest by a profession of unbelief in a system they have never examined &c. I met a man in Sabbath school &c. We do well to learn he is King over all. There are others who are scarcely unbelievers but who have thought of Christ as the [-] seeker of the lost &c. The lesson is hard for some to learn. Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar heard still &c. Let us remember that the universe made and controlled by him & Seraphim wait in adoration to do his will. In supremacy & dignity he sits while the universe moves &c and angels wait &c. And rebellious man has his day &c. There is a meaning in the loftiness of the throne of our Savior King. It speaks to me of the glory & incomprehensible nature of Christ. There is much about Christ I can understand. Something of his love. As he gives himself. As he lays his arms about me & lifts me up. Something of his thoughts as he whispers in my ear his words of promise & hope & the kindness & love of his [providences] as he leads me beside still waters &c. But as I look at his love and feel it, as he folds the robes of his D-nature about me warms me into life with his hearts blood & bears me redeemed & sanctified to shine in [undying] light & blaze in [an affirmable] joy &c. As I listen & gaze they [-] up beyond my vision like Mts. above the clouds. &c. When his providences grow dark about me [tempest] sweep the heart & waves [roll] over the soul. To feel that these are necessary &c. That these storms & dark crested waves make the anchor fast &c. When loved ones are torn away or wickedness is left to prosper &c. How high his throne. We see Jesus in the temple today with pardon on his lips. We see him & as we gaze the hearts agony is forgotten like the fears of Elisha's servant &c. The providences may be dark &c. Luther said he would run into the arms of Jesus if he stood with a drawn sword &c. His throne is high but not so high [but] we can be affected [yes] &c transformed by it, as the following parts of this vision show. He saw not simply Christ on his throne but an imparted glory which filled the temple. In the Ch. of J.C. we not only apprehend the presence of our risen Lord, but we behold you feel the glory that emanates from his presence. It is the glory of Perfect H [characteristics]. Of consecration to a work so difficult so glorious that none could share it with him. Of suffering for others &c. Of conquest shining with

beauty for the friends about him &c. Of Personal love. Of the impartation of the D.S. to each one. It fills the temple. These robes fall about us today &c. The angelic ministrations that gathers around the D.S. in his church. Christ is not deprived of his immortal companionships even in his Ch. With reverence & awe they wait at his feet & with quick [wing] they [hasten] to do his will. When he became incarnate &c. Wilderness, Gethsemane, Sepulcher, Ascension & when he comes down to take up his abode in the Ch. An innumerable Co. of angels to be the fellow soldiers [Students] & to watch for souls. To stand beside the bed of death. Next came the voice of the worshipers. [Although] the attention of the prophet was perhaps wholly taken up with the glowing worship of the bright shining burning angels so that he did not recognize the part that his fellow beings took &c. We cannot suppose that they for whom is all this were silent. The one great thought it seems to me is the temple is filled with the voice of worship. The angels cry "Holy, Holy" &c. Mortals sing "hail to the Lord's anointed". Both join in "All hail the power of Jesus." And while the voice of worship fills the Sanct. there is a special manifestation of the D. favor. Not simply of thought or M. Ch. or consecration or suffering or conquest but it seems to [be] of drawn hearts nearer to himself. Of filling them more perfectly with his love. And as the worship [rolls] up in its sublime [anthems]. The temple is enlarged. As the years have rolled away every now & then as the worship has risen & souls have been joined in mightier bonds to Christ & the D. Spt has been poured out. The posts have moved &c. The transformation of humanity through penitence & the baptism of the Holy Ghost. At the manifestation of D-Love & glory in the church man is convicted &c. But no sooner is there proper penitence & looking to him on the throne. [Those] the Holy Ghost takes of the cleansing, refining power of the Blood of Jesus & touches the stream of life & cleanses it & the voice of God speaks "Thine iniquity is taken away & thy sin is purged" The whole earth is to be filled with his glory.

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