Sermon: Detox 1: Are you willing? Date: Sunday April 11, 2021

Text: Isaiah 6:1-7

God's prescription for spiritual detox:

Isaiah 30:15–18 (ESV)

For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength." But you were unwilling,

The prophet Isaiah and his spiritual senses/awareness:

Isaiah 6:1–7 (ESV)

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

The Awareness of the Holy (cf. Rev. 4:8-10)

The Awareness of a Spiritual Sensory Malfunction: (cf. Matt. 13:14-17; 16:5-11)

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The Awareness of a Holy Touch: (cf. Matt. 9:20-22; 27-29)

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