



CLEANSING IS WITHIN REACH. ISAIAH 1

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ISAIAH: (Jehovah has saved) - a famous Old Testament prophet who predicted the coming of the Messiah; the author of the Book of Isaiah. Isaiah was probably born in Jerusalem of a family that was related to the royal house of Judah. He spent his early years as an official of King Uzziah (Azariah) of Judah. When Uzziah died (740 B.C.), Isaiah received his prophetic calling from God in a stirring vision of God in the Temple. The king of Judah had died; now Isaiah had seen the everlasting King in whose service he would spend the rest of his life.

BIG IDEA: There is hope for anyone who agrees with God about the need to be clean on the inside. Cleansing is within reach.

OUR CONDITION CALLS OUT FOR CLEANSING. (1-4)

**THE CONSEQUENCE FOR UNCLEANLINESS IS HIGH.
(5, 19-20)**

**CLEANSING REQUIRES ACTION, NOT GOOD INTENTIONS.
(16-17)**

¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, ¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause.

**CLEANSING IS A PROMISE THAT IS WITHIN REACH.
(18-20)**

¹⁸ "Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

Jonathon Edwards: "Resolved, never to do anything which I would be afraid to do if it were the last hour of my life." 1722, New Haven, Conn.