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A Fresh Start

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4:22-24

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty." Then one of the seraphs flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said: "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Isaiah 6:1-8

KEY QUESTION:
Where do I need a fresh start?

1. No PAIN, no GAIN.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord.

Isaiah 6:1

...what was right in the eyes of the Lord, just as his father Amaziah had done.

2 Kings 15:3

KEY QUESTION:
Why should I change?

2. It's all about GOD.

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Isaiah 6:1-3

"...apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:5

"Holy, holy, holy... The whole earth is full of His glory."

Isaiah 6:3

3. Face your FALLEN NATURE.

"Woe to me... I am ruined."

Isaiah 6:5

4. Release the PAST.

"See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

Isaiah 6:7

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

"Finally I confessed all my sins to You, and stopped trying to hide my guilt. I said to myself: "I will confess my rebellion to the Lord." And You forgave me! All my guilt is gone."

Psalms 32:5

KEY QUESTION:

What am I holding on to that may be holding me back?

5. Say "Yes, I'll GO, God!"

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Isaiah 6:8

KEY QUESTION:

When will I get started?