

Here I Am

TEXT: Gen. 22:1; 1 Sam. 3:4-10; Isa. 6:8; 58:9

INTRODUCTION:

- A. IN EACH OF THESE PASSAGES - "HERE AM I."
- B. DIFFERENT, BUT IMPORTANT, IN EACH.

I. 1 Samuel 3:4-10. SAMUEL IS READY TO HEAR GOD'S WORD.

- A. WHAT CAN IT DO?(**Rom. 1:16; James 1:21**).
- B. WHERE DID IT COME FROM?(**2 Pet. 1:21**).
- C. WHAT IS IT BUT THE TRUTH?(**John 17:17; 8:31-32**).
- D. GOD WOULD HAVE US STUDY AND MEDITATE
(**2 Tim.2:15; Psa.1:1-3**).

II. Genesis 22:1. ABRAHAM IS READY TO OBEY.

- A. THE RESULT OF FAITH(**Jas. 2:21-23; Heb. 11:17-19**)
STRONG FAITH.
- B. FAITH WITHOUT WORKS?(**James 2:24; Gal. 5:6**).
- C. WE MUST BE READY TO DO(**Jas. 1:21-22; Mat. 7:21**).

III. Isaiah 6:8. ISAIAH WAS READY TO TEACH OTHERS.

- A. WE NEED TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER(**1 John 3:11**).
- B. HOW DO WE SHOW IT?
 - 1. Helping in time of trouble(**1 John 3:11**).
 - 2. Sympathizing(**1 Pet. 3:8**).
 - 3. The same way Paul did(**Rom. 1:14-15; 9:1-3; 10:1**).
- C. TOO MUCH TO DO(**Mat. 9:36-38**).
- D. LET'S GET TO WORK.
 - 1. We must teach others(**Acts 5:42**).
 - 2. Must be willing to bear our brother's burden(**Gal. 6:1-2**).
 - 3. We must love and be patient(**Eph. 4:1-3**).
 - 4. We must set a good example(**Mat. 5:13-16**).

IV. Isaiah 58:9. GOD SAYS "HERE AM I."

- A. HE IS READY TO HEAR US(**Psa. 55:22**).
- B. HE WILL DO FOR US(**Mat. 7:7-11; James 5:16**).
- C. HE DESIRES ALL BE SAVED(**2 Pet. 3:9; 1 Tim. 2:3-4**).
- D. HE HAS GIVEN HIS SON THAT WE MIGHT BE SAVED (**John 3:16**).

CONCLUSION:

- A. GOD IS INVITING US TO COME(**Isa. 1:18; Mat. 11:28**).
- B. WON'T YOU ANSWER, "HERE AM I?"
 - 1. Listen to the Lord.
 - 2. Obey.
 - 3. Tell it to others.
- C. DON'T BE LIKE THE JEWS(**Mat. 23:37**).