

Preacher : Paul McMahon Title : Welcoming In His Presence - Worship Date : Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Key Scripture : Isaiah 6:1-9

## Notes

Without one, life is at best confusing, all over the place as we lunge from one crisis to another and at worst simply hopeless

What is it we need? – VISION.

Someone described vision as – 'the dominant factor that governs your life.'

It determines all the choices you are making. It's what's left after all the layers are peeled away like an onion. It clings like glue to the inside of your rib-cage. It's what you think about when your mind is in free fall. It determines your friendships and the relationships you are cultivating.

It's what your prayers are about – what you dream about and are giving your money toward.

DO YOU HAVE ONE? ....

Here at King's we do and it's described in these words:

Welcoming In His Presence Taking Out His Power Living as His People.

As on a building site, this is the 'shuttering' that is creating the shape into which we, as a church, are pouring in our faith, prayers, expectations, desires – our very lives.

So, for this next 2 months we are re-visiting this first part of our vision, which is -

## WELCOMING IN HIS PRESENCE

So what do we mean by that phrase?

It means that - King's Church is a people spiritually hungry to encounter God who are partnering with Him and positioning themselves through worship, prayer, faith, love, purity and unity to both please Him and pursue Him thus creating an environment conducive to the Manifest Presence of the Spirit being truly experienced amongst them at all levels of community life.

To get us to this place as a people we are going to have to  $\ldots '\mathsf{MOVE'}.$ 

Personal Response

In moving we might want to answer the following questions:

## 1) Where are we currently at?

Difficult to know where you are going if you don't know your starting point.

Where are you at right now?

### 2) Why do we want to move?

All moves are costly so why go for it? If the cry inside is 'There must be more than this' then you are preparing yourself for a move.

Do you have that cry?

### 3) Where are we going?

It's called the place of 'Welcomed Presence.' The clearer the picture the better position we are in to possess it.

Do you know where you are going?

### 4) How will we get there?

We all need some means to 'transport us' to where we need to go. These messages are vehicles to help you get there!

Are you getting on board?

#### 5) What does it look like?

Need to know if we are getting close or have arrived.

Listen again to the message to get a clear picture of what 'Welcomed Presence' looks like.

# 6) What do you take with you?

Moving is a great opportunity to 'de-clutter'. Removing stuff that's hung around for years and is now of no further use.

What do you need to de-clutter out of your life?

# 7) Who is going with us?

Is it just me or are others coming too? Need to make sure I'm journeying with those who truly are going to the 'place called - Welcomed Presence'.

Is that where I am going?

Enjoy the journey, it will all be worth it – there is nothing to compare with the Presence of God moving in the midst of a people who truly want Him.

# Meditate on:

# Act on: