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Sunday, May 27, 2013

“WHEN THE WORLD IS UPSIDE DOWN”

(Isaiah 6:1-13)

Crisis comes. The explosion in West and the storms and loss of last week brought that lesson home to us all once again. How should we respond when our world is turned upside down?

1. SEE THE _____ (v.1-4).

“All things work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them” (Romans 2:28, NLT).

2. SENSE OUR OWN _____ (v.5-7).

“If my people, my God-defined people, respond by humbling themselves, praying, seeking my presence, and turning their backs on their wicked lives, I’ll be there ready for you; I’ll listen from heaven, forgive their sins, and restore their land to health” (2 Chronicles 7:14, The Message).

3. SEEK A PLACE _____ (v.8-9).

“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 6:8, NIV).

4. STAND FIRM _____ (v.9-13).

“Through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us” (Romans 5:2-5, NIV).

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“As long as he sought the LORD, God gave him success” (2 Chronicles 26:5, NIV).

1. SEE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD (v.1-4).

“All things work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them” (Romans 2:28, NLT).

2. SENSE OUR OWN SINFULNESS (v.5-7)

“Let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel. I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father’s house, have committed against you” (Nehemiah 1:6, NIV).

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3. SEEK A PLACE TO SERVE (v.8-9).

“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 6:8, NIV).

4. STAND FIRM WITH HOPE (v.9-13).

“He said, ‘Go and tell this people: ‘Be ever hearing, but never understanding; be ever seeing, but never perceiving.’ Make the heart of this people calloused; make their ears dull and close their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears,

understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.’ Then I said, ‘For how long O Lord?’” (Isaiah 6:9-13, NIV).

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“But as the terebinth and oak leave stumps when they are cut down, so the holy seed will be the stump in the land.” (Isaiah 6:13 NIV).

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade- -kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith- - of greater worth than gold, which perished even though refined by fire- - may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed” (1Peter 1:3-7, NIV).