Faith is sorely tried in times like these - we need vision

Evil times are not a time for whining — but for action

Key to a better world may lie in our own hearts —

Souls are changed when they turn a corner & meet God

Moses — Isaiah — Saul —

Isaiah & Uzziah & Jotham & Ahaz & Tiglath Pileser —

fears - doubts - anxieties —

Distress & loss & fear sent Isaiah to the Sanctuar

Revelation - Saw God - Trial - funeral - Political cris

near - Holy -

Prostration - "unclean" - 1st & instantaneous result of seeing G

Personal unlikeness to the holiness of God —

a sense of the distance between Holy God & Sinful m

(difference between shallow religion & real) - complacent -

Easy-going judgment of ourselves -

"I abhor myself" - In dust before God —

Has that vision ever blazed on you? Has that ligh

shown you the seaminess of much that went

unnoticed in a dimmer light?

"I am unclean & undone" - Have you felt that?

If not your knowledge is faint & dim -

Purification - Sin { 1. recognized — } These absolutely necessary before*

{ 2. Confessed — }

{ 3. buried away — } Faith not enough —

1st must know to say: "I abhor myself" —

God's part is instantaneous — when { recognition & repentance } i

→ Simultaneous ←

It is God's free gift —

Consecration - Readiness for service → the purged spirit is ready

"Here am I; send me"

1st impulse of a cleansed heart —

abandonment to obedience & service —

eager, ready, joyous -

[Other people think Eli is speaking - We know it is the Lord.]

"Have you seen God - seen yourself a guilty sinner

Have these experiences made you ready for service

If they have - they are genuine -

If they have not - they are not -

Infallible tests & signs of having had lips and hearts touched with the live coal that burns out uncleanness" -