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**“Be Careful What You Wish For; If Is A Dangerous Word”**

1. READ

**Scripture: Isaiah 64:1-4 New English Translation**

"If only you would tear apart the sky and come down! The mountains would tremble before you! As when fire ignites dry wood, or fire makes water boil, let your adversaries know who you are, and may the nations shake at your presence! When you performed awesome deeds that took us by surprise, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you. Since ancient times no one has heard or perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who intervenes for those who wait for him."

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**Suggested Chapters to Study This Week: Isaiah 64**

**REFLECT**



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This week Minister Jordan DeVeaux, one of Kingdom Fellowship's newest ministers shares God's Word from the Old Testament Book of Isaiah. Min. Jordan uses as a title "Be Careful What You Wish For; If Is A Dangerous Word". She opens up her sermon this week reminding us about math classes and the conditional statements, "If" and "Then" which are used to communicate truths about math but also about life as well. Minister Jordan also quotes a poem from Rudyard Kipling:

*"IF you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, or walk with Kings-nor lose the common touch; IF neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you; IF all men count with you, but none too much; IF you can fill the unforgiving minute, with sixty seconds' worth of distance run-Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it, And-which is more-you'll be a Man, my son!"*



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Minister Jordan explains that “if” is a dangerous word because every if is linked to the next step. Not only do we have “if” statements but so does God. Minister Jordan shares that Isaiah had some conditional statements in the form of the Prophets' outcries. Isaiah’s cry to the Lord is seen in this scripture to his reverence for God. Minister Jordan shows us three ways;

- Isaiah showed reverence for God’s presence in his Plea
  - *“IF only you would tear apart the sky and come down!”*
- Isaiah showed reverence for God’s presence in his Promise.
  - *“IF only you’d come down”*
- Isaiah demonstrated his reverence for God’s presence by his Pursuit.

The Prophet Isaiah shows us the importance of the pursuit of God and our commitment to The Lord. We should be careful what we have wished for because when we seek the Lord in time, the Lord will show up for us and expect us to do our part.



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## **1. RESPOND**

### **Introspective Questions**

- ï **What do you think was on Isaiah's mind as he was interacting with God in this way?**
- ï **How do you think those around Isaiah treated him as a result of his relationship with God?**

### **Discussion Questions**

- ï **What is the result of your conditional statement with God?**
- ï **What would you have done differently if you were Isaiah?**