GOD IS HOLY, BE HOLY!

Can you imagine how humbling it would be to meet the most powerful or influential person in the world?

And did you know that He already does? The God of the universe desires to meet us and one of the ways He does is through His attributes. One of His essential attributes is also one people talk about the least – His holiness. But Scripture repeatedly reminds us that God is holy, holy, holy! Let's explore God's holiness through the acronym P.U.R.E.

PERFECT IN CHARACTER

The word holy (Heb. qadosh, Gk. hagios) means "set apart" or morally perfect, pure, and unique. To say God is holy is to say He is utterly set apart and without sin (Exodus 15:11; 1 John 1:5). This matters because Satan's attack is often to make us doubt God's character, but God is perfect and cannot be touched by evil (Habakkuk 1:13). When life tempts us to question Him, we must remember His holiness. He is absolutely pure and trustworthy.

ULTIMATE STANDARD

God's holiness is the measure of all moral excellence. As A.W. Tozer wrote, "Holy is the way God is... He is that standard." This is why stealing, adultery, and sexual immorality are indisputably wrong, because God defines right and wrong. In Exodus 20, God gave His people commandments rooted in His love and deliverance, not to restrict joy but to guide them into freedom. Romans 7:12 affirms the law is "holy, righteous, and good." Happiness cannot exist without holiness; true joy flows from living according to God's standard.

REQUIRES US TO BE HOLY

Psalm 19:7–11 declares God's commands as perfect, right, and pure. They are for our protection, not our restriction. On the other hand, sin offers fleeting pleasure but leads to death. As 1 Peter 1:14–16 commands, we must "be holy" in all our conduct whether public, private, at work, at home. Holiness is not just avoiding sin: it is actively living for God, bringing joy and freedom.

When Isaiah saw the Lord, he became deeply aware of his sin (Isaiah 6:5). Peter, before Jesus, said, "I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8). Paul called himself the least of the apostles and the foremost sinner (1 Corinthians 15:9; 1 Timothy 1:15). This humility guards us from self-righteousness (Matthew 7:3–4). Additionally, God disciplines His children in love so that we may share in His holiness (Hebrews 12:6–11). Spurgeon put it well: God will not allow His children to sin successfully.

EXPERIENCED THROUGH JESUS' WORK ON THE CROSS

The holiness of God demands judgment for sin, but because of His love we were provided a substitute. In Christ, God's justice and mercy meet perfectly (2 Corinthians 5:21, Isaiah 53:4-6). At the cross, God's holiness was upheld, His justice satisfied, and His love fully displayed. To know God is to see His holiness not as something cold and distant, but as part of His perfect character. And because He is holy, we must be holy, dependent on Christ's finished work on the cross and the Holy Spirit's power to lead lives that are set apart.

last week's memory verse

but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written: "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

1 PETER 1:15-16

discuss this message

- What comes into mind when you think of the word "holy"?
- Why is the holiness of God foundational in our knowledge of Him? How will knowing His holiness impact our relationship with God?
- What do you commit to do to pursue holiness and purity in the Lord?

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YOU BEING HERE IS NO ACCIDENT!
God brought you here for His purpose.

God loves you.
He desires for you to have a meaningful life with Him in the present and gain eternal life with Him in the future.

*Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who **keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness** to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments — Deuteronomy 7:9*

God is holy.
We are sinful, and our sin separates us from Him.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. – Romans 3:23

God is merciful.
In His love, He made the only way for us to be reconciled to Him: through His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins and be raised to life for eternity.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. – Romans 5:8

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. – John 14:6

God is gracious.
By placing our faith in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and saved from eternal death.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. – John 3:16

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. – Ephesians 2:8-9

Would you like to place your faith in Jesus Christ today?

> Lord Jesus, I need You. I confess that I am a sinner. I believe that You died on the cross to pay for all my sins. With Your help, I will turn away from my sins. Please come into my life and be my Savior and my Master. I accept Your gift of eternal life. Make me the kind of new person You want me to be. Thank You for giving me eternal life. Amen.

God keeps His promises.
You can be sure that you have eternal life when you trust in Jesus.

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. — 1 John 5:11-13