

TEACHING SERIES: Thinking Right About God
TEACHING #6a: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
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INTRODUCTION: Isaiah 5:19; Isaiah 6th chapter; Revelation 4th chapter
God is the Thrice-Holy One

I. HOLINESS IS THE FOUNDATION OF GOD'S NATURE

- A. The biblical importance of names
 - 1. Abram/Abraham
 - 2. Sarai/Sarah
 - 3. Jacob/Israel
 - 4. You/Secret Name ~ Isaiah 62:2-4; Revelation 2:7
- B. What God's name reveals about Him ~ *'Holiness' is Who He is & What He is*
 - 1. God, Himself says ~ Isa. 43:3
 - 2. Mary says ~ Luke 1:46,49
 - 3. Demons say ~ Luke 4:34

II. HOLINESS DESCRIBES ALL OF GOD'S OTHER ATTRIBUTES

III. WHAT, THEN, DO WE MEAN WHEN WE SAY 'GOD IS HOLY'?
Separation and Set-Apart-ness from...

- A. Humankind and the rest of creation ~ Exodus 15:11
- B. Sin, evil, wickedness ~ I John 1:5; Habakkuk 1:12-13

IV. HOW DO YOU & I RESPOND TO GOD'S HOLINESS?

- A. Response of our *conscience* ~ Isaiah 6:5
- B. Change in our *behavior* ~ I Peter 1:15-16
 - 1] Sanctified ~ I Corinthians 1:12
 - 2] A life of holy choices
- C. Re-orientation of our *spirits* ~ Romans 12:1; Revelation 1:17

CONCLUSION: Do we know what true worship is? ~ Revelation 5:13

Suggestions for discussion: ~ God says several times in Scripture, "*Be holy for (because) I am holy.*" I Peter 1:15-16; Lev 11:44-45, 19:2; Lev 20:7. "Holiness" & "Sanctification" are the same root words in Scripture. Thinking of the words "*separation*" & "*set apart-ness,*" in what sense can you/I obey God in His command that we must be holy because He is holy?