



# KNOWING GOD

## God is Holy

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**“Without holiness no one will see the Lord.” Hebrews 12:14**

What comes to mind when you reflect on “God”? What is God like?

God Is Incomprehensible by nature - God is beyond full human understanding

God has chosen to reveal Himself - We can know true things about Him

- **God is incomprehensible in His fullness, but**
- **He is not unknowable in His essence.**
- **We can know Him as He has chosen to be known by us**

What we believe about God defines how we respond to Him.

**God is Holy:** God’s holiness is not just one attribute among many — it is the essence of His character that defines all His actions and defines how relate to Him.

*“...I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another:*

*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”*

*“Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”*

*Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.” 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 6:1-8

### **The Holiness of God – What Does It Mean?**

Definition: To be “holy” is to be set apart, pure, and morally perfect.

God is altogether “other” — completely transcendent and perfectly righteous.

### **Holiness and Relationship – What It Means for Us**

#### **1. Judgement of sin – Rejection / Condemnation – No relationship with impure**

*“For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.”* Psalm 5:4

*“This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all.”* 1 John 1:5

#### **2. Natural Human Response to awareness / exposure of God's Holiness v.5**

- To see God as Holy is to see ourselves as we are: guilty / under wrath
- Conviction of Sin: When Isaiah saw God’s holiness, he saw his own impurity.

#### **3. God’s desire for relationship with us compels Him to act on our behalf v.6**

*“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.”*

Romans 8:1-3

*“And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.”*

Hebrews 10:10

#### **4. To be declared to be Holy – is a call to be Holy - to be set apart of God vs.8**

- **Living out of imputed Holiness** - A holy life is not just about avoiding sin — it’s about stepping into purpose – a life SET APART to be used for God