

Holiness of God

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I. Introduction.

- A. God's holiness is emphasized to show his separateness from creation. (Isaiah 6:1-5; Revelation 4)
- B. God is holy in his separateness from sin. (1 John 1:5)
- C. When Isaiah saw God, he saw himself as a sinful human being. (Luke 5)
- D. God has the moral authority to say what is right and wrong.

II. How God views our sin.

- A. Rebellion against a sovereign authority. (Leviticus 16:21; Isaiah 53:6)
- B. Despising the authority of God. (2 Samuel 12:9-10)
- C. Defiance. (1 Kings 13:21)

III. (John 3:16)

- A. When the Bible says God loves the world, it is saying God loves those who are in rebellion against him. (Isaiah 53:6; Ephesians 2:1-3)
- B. God loved us even though we didn't deserve it. (1 John 4:10)
- C. Jesus took our punishment. (Isaiah 53:5-6)

Application questions:

1. How does God view our sin?

2. What are some wrong ways to go about growing in holiness?

3. What role does Christ's death play in our holiness? Explain.
