

# How to Appreciate the Holiness of God

## Isaiah 6:1-8

To appreciate the holiness of God you must...

### I. See God as He really is (vv. 1-4)

- A. Holy = sanctified, set apart, different, other, above.
  - 1. Exodus 15:11
  - 2. 1 Samuel 2:2
  - 3. God is in a category all by Himself.
  - 4. 10 commandments, Lord's prayer, "holy smokes", OMG, GD, JC
- B. Holy = perfect purity and righteousness
  - 1. God cannot tolerate sin (Hab. 1:13) or dwell with evil (Ps. 5:4). Anyone who turns a deaf ear...(Prov. 28:9). He is far from the wicked (Prov. 28:29).

### II. See ourselves as we really are (v. 5)

- A. Our proper response is to fear, honor, and revere God.
- B. Revelation 15:4
- C. Natural man is "unclean", dead in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1-3), and does not fear God (Rom. 3:10-12)
- D. Even our best acts of righteousness, done in our own strength are like filthy rags before God (Isaiah 64:6).

### III. Embrace the holiness of Jesus Christ (vv. 6-7)

- A. Matthew 5:48
- B. He "knew no sin" (2 Corinthians 5:21), "committed no sin" (1 Peter 2:22) and had no sin in Him (1 John 3:5).
- C. 1 Peter 3:18
- D. Colossians 1:22
- E. If by **works** then Christ died in vain (Galatians 2:21)
- F. The only way to be is to have Christ's righteousness

### IV. Exhibit the holiness of Jesus Christ (v. 8)

- A. He transforms our hearts to desire holiness and to live righteous lives.
- B. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- C. 1 Peter 2:24
- D. He died to make us like Him!
- E. It is impossible to get saved and be the same person, love the world more than the things of God, have no hunger for the Bible, no desire to worship, no desire to serve in the church, no desire to evangelize.