

Sermon Discussion Guide:

God is Holy

Scripture: **Isaiah 6:1-7**

Series: **God Is**

Sunday, February 2, 2020

OVERVIEW

Too often, we think of God as common, or like us. But scripture paints a very different picture.

The holiness of God is his otherness. He is set apart from and exalted above his creation. In this passage, we see that Isaiah's sudden awareness of the Lord's Holy nature resulted in humility and a desire to live a holy life.

CORROBORATING TEXTS

Exodus 33:20, Psalm 103:19, 1 Samuel 2:2, Romans 12:3, 1 Peter 1:15-16, John 12:41

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why are we drawn to think of God as common or "like us?"
2. How do transcendence and purity explain the holiness of God? What is it about these two ideas that resonate with you?
3. Isaiah responds to God's holiness with an intense sense of humility. Have you ever experienced a similar response to God?
4. An important truth about humanity is that we are small and sinful, but what is the best way to internalize that truth? [*awareness of God*] What are the risks of focusing on these truths about humanity without focusing on God?
5. Why should we pursue holiness? [*to commune with God*] What are the risks of pursuing holiness for the wrong reasons?
6. How does Christ help us toward holiness?