The Attributes of God

The Holy One

"Holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

The whole earth is full of His/glory!" (Isaiah 6:3)

God is holy. His name is _____

For thus says the High and Lofty One
Who inhabits eternity, whose name *is* Holy:

"I dwell in the high and holy *place*,
With him *who* has a contrite and humble spirit,

To revive the spirit of the humble,
And to revive the heart of the contrite ones."

(Isaiah 57:15)

As His name, so is He.

He is morally in His thoughts, deeds, and motives and in every other way.
He is free from all and defilement, or as John puts it
"God is light and in Him there is at all" (1 John 1:5)
He cannot be more than He is.
He is absolutely pure, immaculate, and spotless.
God hates and is enraged by the slightest outbreak of it.

God kept Moses out of the Promised Land for not treating Him as

Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe Me, to hallow Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them." (Numbers 20:12)

God's _____ distinguishes Him from all His creatures.

"Who *is* like You, O LORD, among the gods? Who *is* like You, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders?" (Exodus 15:11)



Question?

What word is used more often as a prefix to God's name than any other attribute?

Let's look at the following verses:

Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them "You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God *am* holy." (Leviticus 19:2)

But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." (1 Peter 1:15-16)

"Are You not from everlasting, O LORD my God, my Holy One? We shall not die. O LORD, You have appointed them for judgment; O Rock, You have marked them for correction. You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, And cannot look on wickedness. Why do You look on those who deal treacherously, And hold Your tongue when the wicked devours A person more righteous than he?" (Habakkuk 1:12-13)

The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!" (Revelations 4:8)

What must be our response?



God being holy doesn't mean God cannot see what is going on. He sees every sin that is ever committed. That means He cannot look on sin with any measure of approval. He cannot condone iniquity. He cannot countenance anything that is wrong.

Object Lessons of God's holiness in the Old Testament:	In what way did God teach holiness through this object lesson?
The Priesthood	Men and women must come to a holy God through a mediator
The Sacrificial System	Fallen men & women can only draw near to God with a blood of a sacrificial substitute
The Temple Ritual	
Marriage Laws	
Clothing Laws	
Clean and Unclean Food Laws	
Ceremonial Washing Laws	

Let us now consider the holiness of God-Man, Jesus Christ.....

For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth. (1 Peter 2:22)

And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. (1 John 3:5)

Pilate's confession:

"I find no fault in Him at all." (John 18:38)

"Behold, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him." (John 19:4)

"You take Him and crucify *Him*, for I find no fault in Him." (John 19:6)

At Calvary:



We see one of the greatest displays of God's holiness.

God must punish sin. His holiness forbids Him to condone it.

The sacrificial victim in His own Son who is there for our sins.

God cannot make an exception. His wrath fell on the Lord Jesus.

Points to Remember:

God's holiness never cost Him more dearlý than at Calvary! We can be eternally grateful that He was willing to pay the price! "The tempest's awful voice was heard,
O Christ, it broke on Thee;
Thy open bosom was my ward;
It bore the storm for me.
Thy form was scarred, Thy visage marred;
Now cloudless peace on me."

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Hallelujah, what a Savior! What a Great & Awesome God we serve!



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