

GOD IS HOLY Part 3

Predicted by the Angel

(Luke 1:35 NIV) The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."

Recognized by Demons

(Mark 1:24 NIV) "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!"

Recognized by the Disciples

(John 6:69 NIV) We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Jesus was Holy and yet He...

- Ate (Mat 8:24)
- Slept (Mat 8:24)
- Got Hungry (Luke 4:2)
- Got Tired (John 4:6)
- Prayed (Mark 1:35)
- Wept (Luke 19:41, John 11:35)
- Had Compassion (Mat 9:36, 14:14, 15:32)

Jesus was Holy and yet He...

- Was called a glutton (Mat 11:19)
- Was called a drunkard (Mat 11:19)
- Was called a friend of sinners (Mat 11:19)
- Got Angry (Mark 3:5)
- Rebuked People (Mark 8:33, Mark 16:14)
- Did not back down from conflict (Mark 12:15, John 8:6)
- Cleared the Temple with a whip (John 2:15)

Not one-dimensional

(Mat 16:17 NIV) Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah..."

(Mat 16:23 NIV) Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan!"

Inspired Awe

(Mark 4:41 NIV) They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Inspired Awe

(Luke 5:8 NIV) When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"

Inspired Awe

(1 John 1:1 NIV) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched--this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.

Jesus' Holiness should inspire us

1.) Because He calls us "Friend".

Friends of God

(John 15:13-15 NIV) Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

Jesus' Holiness should inspire us

2.) Because He calls us "Brother".

Brother!

(Mat 28:10 NIV) Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

(Mat 12:50 NIV) For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

Jesus' Holiness should inspire us

3.) Because He was temped like us.

Jesus was tempted

(Heb 4:15 NIV) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin.

Jesus' Holiness should inspire us

4.) Because He set the example for us.

Live a Holy Life

(1 Th 4:7 NIV) For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.

Jesus' Holiness should inspire us

5.) Because He calls us to be holy .

Be Holy

(1 Pet 1:15 NIV) But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

Imitate God

*(Eph 5:1 NIV) Be imitators of God, therefore,
as dearly loved children
and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us
and gave himself up for us as a fragrant
offering and sacrifice to God.*

Be Separate

(2 Cor 6:17 NIV) "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."

Be Holy

(Heb 12:14 NIV) Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.

Be Perfect

(Mat 5:48 NIV) Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

(2 Cor 13:9 NIV) We are glad whenever we are weak but you are strong; and our prayer is for your perfection.

His Divine Power

(2 Pet 1:3 NIV) His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

God's at work in you

(Phil 2:13 NIV) for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.

You are new

(2 Cor 5:17 NIV) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

The righteousness of God

(2 Cor 5:21) God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Aim for perfection

(2 Cor 13:11 NIV) Finally, brothers, good-bye. Aim for perfection, listen to my appeal, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

Make it your goal

(Phil 3:12 NIV) Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

CONCLUSION