

I AM WHO I AM - Holy

Icebreaker: Other than pastor Craig Smith, who is the “holiest” person you know? Why do you say that?

And they were calling to one another: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of His glory.” (Isaiah 6:3)

God’s holiness means that He is...

- **Utterly distinct and unique** – “Who among the gods is like you, O LORD? Who is like you – majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?” (Exod. 15:11)
- **Perfectly moral and pure** – “God is light; in Him there is no darkness at all.” (1 John 1:5)

“Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips...” (Isaiah 6:5a)

Looking back at the ice breaker question, did the person you mentioned have any of the above underlined attributes? What about your own life, what attributes can you claim from the list above?

¶ **Note: Only through Jesus Christ can a sinful person be made holy to God** – “And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.” (Heb. 10:10) Based on Hebrews 10:10, what is true about the believer in Jesus Christ? Would you have ever described yourself that way? Why or why not?

Therefore...

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.” (1 Pet. 1:15-16)

- **(Maturity) A holy life is a distinct life that pursues purity** – Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.” (2 Cor. 7:1) Quietly reflect on the things in your life that “contaminates body and spirit.” Have you attempted to purify yourself from those things? How? Was it a success? What yet haven’t you tried?
- **(Mission) A holy life is a distinct life that showcases God’s glory and goodness** – “But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.” (1 Pet. 2:9) What are some ways we showcase God’s glory and God’s goddness as a community to our world? What are some ways we do it individually? How do you do it specifically?

If a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work. (2 Tim. 2:21)

A holy life is the happy life...

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.” (Matthew 5:8)

Would you describe your life as a happy life? How is that connected to your holiness?