



I AM HOLY

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And God said to Moses, I AM WHO I AM and WHAT I AM, and I WILL BE WHAT I WILL BE; and He said, You shall say this to the Israelites: I AM has sent me to you!

Exodus 3:14 (Amplified)

The foundational motivating factor in my life is not being rational or emotional – it is faith!

My faith is not standing **on** something; my faith is which **everything else stands on!** My faith is not in search for evidence or facts; my faith is the evidence. My faith is not looking for substance. My faith is the substance!

Anytime there is a discussion about faith and God; it usually starts with the concept of that which is:

- **Metaphysical - This is the Existence of God.**
- **Ethical - This is the nature of God.**

There are usually three roads people walk down to **prove the existence of God:**

1. **God as Creator** and it comes from the study of creation.
2. The second road we take is the road of **Laws and thought.**
3. Now we begin to look at **Ourselves** to tell us something about God.

We have been given great latitude throughout scripture and in our own lives to use symbolism and metaphor to ascribe to God human characteristics so that we can better understand Him.

These things will **LIMIT** your understanding of God. It is not that they are not helpful, **BUT** faith is not based on these things because these things will all limit God.

The first revelation of God is that **He is the Lord!**

My faith does not stand on the arguments of man or on the forces of nature or the understanding of natural laws. My faith stands because God has made Himself known to us.

Therefore!

Faith lives in our hearts, not because we have figured it out but because God has chosen to reveal Himself to us!

When they saw the boldness and unfettered eloquence of Peter and John and perceived that they were unlearned and untrained in the schools [common men with no educational advantages], they marvelled; and they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

Acts 4:13

His primary revelation to the people is that He is the Lord! What He is saying is that I am sovereign, un-restricted. There is nothing outside of my jurisdiction. There's nothing that imposes itself on me. I don't need anything. I did not create you to have your praise to know that I am Lord. I did not create you to receive from you, but to give to you because I'm so full, I don't need anything. I don't need you to prove that I exist. **I want you to KNOW that I Am the Lord I Am!**

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IN THE year that King Uzziah died, [in a vision] I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and the skirts of His train filled the [most holy part of the] temple.

Above Him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two [each] covered his [own] face, and with two [each] covered his feet, and with two [each] flew.

And one cried to another and said, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who cried. and the house was filled with smoke.

The Lordship of God is sovereignty. Holiness is God's definition of Himself. *I Am the Lord and I Am Holy!*

- **I Am Holy – Other**
- **I Am Holy – Separate**

THEN GOD spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God...you shall have no other gods before or besides Me. You shall not make yourself any graven image [to worship it] or any likeness of anything... You shall not bow down yourself to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God...

Exodus 20:1-5 (Amplified)

When you come to me you have to know I Am Holy – I Am separate from everything. I Am by myself. I am the only truly, independent, free, unrestricted being in the entire universe. Everything that is requires my attention. If I back-up everything dies. I Am dependent on nothing. Without me the sun will not shine. Without me your body will not breathe. Without me the birds will not be fed.

Therefore

God opposes everything that attempts to make Him other than Holy. God has willed (not need) to be recognised as Holy. He reveals Himself as Holy, therefore He wills to be known as Holy.

Because God is Holy, He has the power to lay claim on anything. And when God laid claim on anything because He is the Lord Holy, He holds the right to claim something and separates it from everything else and declares it Holy!

Yet to us God has unveiled and revealed them by and through His Spirit, for the [Holy] Spirit searches diligently, exploring and examining everything, even sounding the profound and bottomless things of God.

But the natural, nonspiritual man does not accept or welcome or admit into his heart the gifts and teachings and revelations of the Spirit of God, for they are folly (meaningless nonsense) to him; and he is incapable of knowing them [of progressively recognizing, understanding, and becoming better acquainted with them] because they are spiritually discerned and estimated and appreciated.

I Corinthians 2:10-14

GOD HALLOWS THINGS

- **God Hallows Certain Times.**

On this day –the Sabbath, you shall rest and hallow it.

- **God Hallows Certain Places.**

This is My Mountain, don't touch it, and don't come up here – it is Holy. Moses, take off your shoes for the ground you stand on is Holy. Only the High Priest can come into the Holy of Holies because I have hallowed it.

- **God Hallows Things.**

It shall be to you holy to the Lord and they shall know that I AM THE LORD!

- **The 1st Fruit and Tithe is Holy.**

Now if the first handful of dough offered as the first fruits is consecrated (holy), so is the whole mass; and if the root is consecrated (holy), so are the branches.

Romans 11:16

You will recognise that I Am Holy by treating this separate, different and other than the rest of your money.

- **God Hallows Animals.**

Don't bring Me a raven, bring Me a dove. This is a clean animal and this is an unclean animal. Bring Me a spotless lamb.

But as the One Who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all your conduct and manner of living.

For it is written, You shall be holy, for I am holy.

And if you call upon Him as [your] Father Who judges each one impartially according to what he does, [then] you should conduct yourselves with true reverence.

You must know (recognize) that you were redeemed (ransomed) from the useless (fruitless) way of living inherited by tradition from [your] forefathers, not with corruptible things [such as] silver and gold.

But [you were purchased] with the precious blood of Christ (the Messiah), like that of a [sacrificial] lamb without blemish or spot.

I Peter 1:15-19

You don't have the power to break into God's Holiness. The only way for us to be Holy is first of all for God to lay claim on you like He did a time, a place, a thing, a tithe and take you as His own possession. When He possesses you – you become Holy!

God says: *When you acknowledge My Holiness; you become separate. You are Mine. You become My people which makes you other; which makes you holy!*

The thing is...

One person is in Adam. What man resists against is for Christ to live in you, and He has to kill Adam.

The Holy person does not live by rationale, emotion or intellect. The Holy person says I do this simply because God wills it!

When I put His Holiness above my feeling, rationale, opinion or reason – He becomes my Lord and He is to me I AM!

I Am Lord and I Am Holy. I Am Separate and I Am Other! I claimed you as mine – a Holy people. A chosen, peculiar generation. Don't try to figure Me out. Don't question my order. Don't question that which I have claimed as holy.