

Our Response to Our Holy God

Psalm 99:1-9

Sometimes when we hear that God is holy, it feels like a " _____ " sign. Yet, "Holy" is God's self-designation. And far from loathing God's holiness, the Biblical writers _____ it. Psalm 99 expresses the desire of Israel to elevate their God to His proper place upon the throne of _____ and the throne of their _____. This psalm is a majestic look at the attributes of God that inspire them to enthrone Him. "Holy" seems to be the word that best _____ the list of God's attributes.

Holiness is God's state of being. There are 3 primary concepts related to holiness. (1) Holiness means something _____ and distinct from all else. God is a category of _____. (2) Holiness includes the idea of _____—uncorrupted by any external factor that might _____ God's nature, character, or decisions. (3) Holiness is _____. Our God offers the opportunity for us to become holy by _____ _____ to Him.

God's holiness makes Him _____. His unique power means He is able to help when all else around me is not able. It means He is _____. His love, righteousness, and faithfulness never change. And it means that, as I move toward Him, I become more like _____ and be less like the _____. The announcement of His holiness is not a grim notice to be _____. It's good news to be _____.

The psalm says, "Exalt the LORD our God and worship at His holy mountain." Philippians 2:9-11 can help us know what this means. The Bible says that this Lord Who reigns in Psalm 99 is _____ Who bears the name " _____ " to the glory of God the Father. Jesus is the _____ and His Holy mountain isn't Zion. It's _____, the mount with the _____ of Jesus planted there!

We are called to _____ and worship Him, Jesus. Exalting Him is clearing your own _____ of _____ so that He is the only thing left upon which your eyes remain _____, and a holiness like His becomes your _____.