

## GOD/HOLY

Hannah in the book of First Samuel made a remarkable theological statement concerning God, when she said, “There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock (strength) like our God” (I Samuel 2:2).

The primary word for holy is “apartness.” We say that God is holy; this calls our attention to the profound difference between God and His creatures. It has been noted by those who study the Hebrew language, that the word holy refers to God’s transcendent majesty (to rise above or exceed all). He is superior to all, which by virtue makes Him worthy of honor, reverence, and worship. He makes the ordinary, extraordinary: the common, uncommon. He is holy.

There is a secondary meaning for holy, and when most speak of God as being holy, they use this term. It speaks of God’s pure and righteous acts. God always does what is right. He acts in a righteous manner because His nature is holy. He is both good and great. There is no evil in Him at all: He is completely pure.

Scripture: King James Version: Exodus 15:10; Psalm 99:1-9; Isaiah 6:1-13; Revelation 4:1-11.

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