
SERMON OUTLINE

Holy: God's Plan for our Holiness
Psalm 139:19-24 (4th in a series of God's attributes)

I. **God is holy.**

A. God is uniquely and totally perfect (Isaiah 6:1-7).

- **Holy** = Separate, distinct and unique (Revelation 15:4).
- God is gloriously perfect (Isaiah 6:1-4; 1 Timothy 6:15-16).
- God has no sin (1 John 1:5) and cannot look on sin (Habakkuk 1:13)
- God's holiness exposes our sin (Isaiah 6:5).
- Our sin requires atonement (Isaiah 6:6-8).
- God seeks a relationship with those who want to know Him as a holy God (Psalm 24:3-61; Isaiah 57:15-18)

B. God's purpose in saving us is to make us holy

- Salvation: God cleanses us through Christ (Titus 3:5)

How to be declared holy by God

1. God is holy and judges sin (Genesis 18:25; Romans 6:23).
2. Christ is holy and bore our sin (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21).
3. God forgives our sin if we trust in Christ (Romans 3:20-26).

- Sanctification: We must pursue holiness (1 John 1:9; Romans. 6:4-12; 1 Peter 1:14-19; Hebrews 12:14).

II. **We can pursue holiness in a sinful world (Psalm 139:19-24).**

A. I must recognize and hate the evil God hates (139:19-22).

- We cannot admire/support those who oppose God.

B. I must recognize and address the evil in me (139:23-24).

- We must let God identify our sin (139:23; 1 John 1:7)
- We grow in holiness by obeying God (139:24).