

SERIES – THE POWER OF A SONG III  
Holy, Holy, Holy Is Our God - 8/25/24

Revelation 4:8-11

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty* by Reginald Heber

Verse 1 – *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:*

*holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,*

*God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

Verse 2 - *Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee;*

*casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;*

*cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,*

*God ever-living, through eternity.*

Verse 3 - *Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,*

*though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see;*

*only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,*

*perfect in power, in love, and purity.*

Verse 4 - *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;*

*Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,*

*God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

What Does Holy/Holiness Mean?

- It suggests one who is pure, righteous, devout, pious, and godly.
- It fundamentally means that which is separate and set apart from that which is ordinary
  - Objects used in worship are said to be consecrated, or set apart, holy such as chalices
- God is separated from all that is ordinary; exalted above the ordinary including human beings and everything else in Creation
  - He cannot be tarnished by anything
  - He is immune to evil, sin, corruption

*When we contemplate just how holy God is, we will experience profound humility.*

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

Revelation 4:8-11 - And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

“Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.”

<sup>9</sup> And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

<sup>11</sup> “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.”

Isaiah 6:1-5 - In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord. He was sitting on his throne, high and exalted, and his robe filled the whole Temple. <sup>2</sup> Around him flaming creatures were standing, each of which had six wings. Each creature covered its face with two wings, and its body with two, and used the other two for flying. <sup>3</sup> They were calling out to each other:

“Holy, holy, holy! The Lord Almighty is holy!  
His glory fills the world.”

<sup>4</sup> The sound of their voices made the foundation of the Temple shake, and the Temple itself became filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> I said, “There is no hope for me! I am doomed because every word that passes my lips is sinful, and I live among a people whose every word is sinful. And yet, with my own eyes I have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

Psalm 148 excerpts - Praise the Lord from the heavens; <sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! <sup>7</sup> Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, <sup>8</sup> fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! <sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! <sup>10</sup> Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! <sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! <sup>12</sup> Young men and women alike, old and young together! <sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

Praise the Lord!