



God's Moral Purity

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Ice Breaker

What is one rule or standard from your childhood that you initially didn't understand but now appreciate as an adult?

Key Verses

- Matthew 5:48
- Luke 18:19
- Micah 6:8
- James 4:17
- Isaiah 6:1-3
- 1 Peter 1:16
- 1 John 1:9
- Jeremiah 9:24
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Deuteronomy 32:4

Questions

1. How does understanding that God is the 'final standard of good' change the way we approach moral decisions in our daily lives?
2. The pastor mentioned that God gave him James 4:17 as a life verse. Do you have a life verse? If not that is okay, try to take some time today to figure out a verse that would be helpful to memorize and remember.
3. Why do you think the angels in Isaiah 6 chose to sing 'Holy, holy, holy' rather than emphasizing other attributes of God like love or mercy?
4. What does it mean practically to 'be holy as God is holy' in our modern world? What would this look like in your workplace, family, or community?

5. The sermon suggests being specific when confessing sins rather than just saying 'forgive me of my sins.' Why might this specificity be important for our spiritual growth?
6. How can past experiences with flawed authority figures affect our ability to trust God's perfect authority? How do we overcome these barriers?
7. The pastor shared the quote 'It's more important to be righteous than to be right.' Can you think of a situation where choosing righteousness over being right would be challenging but necessary?
8. What does it mean to 'do justly when dealing with others,' and how can we practically apply this in difficult relationships or conflicts?

Life Application

This week, choose one area of your life where you struggle with moral purity (thoughts, words, actions, or relationships). Each day, specifically confess any failures in this area to God and ask for His strength to live righteously. Additionally, identify one person in your life who is difficult to deal with and intentionally practice 'doing justly' with them - going above and beyond in kindness and fairness, even when it's not reciprocated.

Key Takeaways

1. God is the ultimate and unchanging standard of good - He cannot become more or less good than He already is
2. God's moral purity is expressed through His holiness (being set apart and pure), righteousness (holiness in relationships), and justice (fair administration of His law)
3. Three steps to becoming morally pure: confess sins specifically, trust in Christ to be righteous, and deal justly with others
4. As we grow in understanding God's goodness, our trust in Him increases and anchors our moral compass
5. We can trust God completely because He will never act unjustly, compromise His character, or violate His own standards

Ending Prayer

Father God, thank You for revealing Your goodness to us today through Your holiness, righteousness, and justice. We are amazed that You, the perfect and pure God, would call

us to be like You. Help us to walk in the light as You are in the light, confessing our sins and allowing You to cleanse us daily. Give us strength to live righteously in our relationships and to deal justly with all people, especially those who are difficult to love. May our lives reflect Your moral purity and serve as a testimony of Your transforming power. As we go from this place, anchor our moral compass firmly in Your goodness, and help us to trust You completely in every area of our lives. We pray this in the precious name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.