

God Is Holy

Deuteronomy 7:1-11

Introduction

- I. **God loves**
 - A. He loves those He has chosen.
 - B. He loves because that is Who He is.
- II. **God's command to Israel (vs 2)**
 - A. Feels shocking
 - B. It means what it says.
 - C. It reveals Who God is.
 1. He has the right to judge.
 2. He is holy: perfect, pure, clean
- III. **Application in New Testament**
 - A. God does not delegate execution of judgment to us (John 18:11)
 - B. God has not changed. He is still judge.
 1. Parable of weeds (Mat 13:24-30, 36-43)
 2. Parable of the net (Mat 13:47-50)
 3. Weeping & gnashing of teeth (Mat 8:12, 13:42,50, 22:13, 24:51, 25:30)
 4. Ananias & Sapphira (Acts 5:1-11)
- IV. **The Gospel begins with Who God is.**
 - A. Gospel summary
 1. God is holy.
 2. God is love.
 3. People are sinful.
 4. Jesus died and rose again.
 - B. False concepts of God keep them far from Him.
 1. Children's Sunday School stories convey truth about God.
 2. God is holy: Parable of the weeds
 3. God is love: Parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32)
 - C. Why did Jesus have to die?
 1. Only the holy can enter God's presence and live.
 2. All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Rom 3:23).
 3. God loves us and made a way of salvation.
 4. In Christ's blood we are washed clean.
- V. **Application to you and me**
 - A. Share the Good News.
 - B. Love because He loves.
 - C. Be holy because He is holy.