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LESSON PLAN / SERMON SUMMARY

THE 4 ELEMENTS OF HOLINESS
John 4:20-24 (v. 23)

Teaching Purpose

Answers the question, "HOW should I understand this verse?" Is the passage dealing with a:

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| <p><u>Sin</u> to confess and forsake?</p> | <p><u>Promise</u> to claim?</p> | <p><u>Example</u> to follow?</p> | <p><u>Command</u> to obey?</p> | <p><u>Situation</u> or <u>State of mind</u> to avoid before it develops into a sin?</p> |

Sermonic Principle(s)

Answers the question, "WHAT'S in it or what's the take away for me?"

John 4:23

²³ But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

AMP - v23 - ²³ But a time is coming and is already here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit [from the heart, the inner self] and in truth; for the Father seeks such people to be His worshipers.

E/P - v23 - ²³ "But the time is coming—it has, in fact, come—when what you're called will not matter and where you go to worship will not matter. It's who you are and the way you live that count before God. Your worship must engage your spirit in the pursuit of truth.

- 1) GOD is **HOLY** and HIS **HOLINESS** is the **OBJECT** of our **REVERENCE** and **WORSHIP!**

- 2) GOD is **HOLY** and HIS **HOLINESS** is the **FOUNDATION** of our **REALITY THE FOUNDATIONAL REALITY OF OUR LIVES!**

- 3) **THERE** are **4 ELEMENTS** of HIS **HOLINESS**
HIS MAJESTY
HIS EXCLUSIVITY
HIS WRATH and
HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

4) THE ELEMENT of **MAJESTY** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **SOVEREIGNTY**

- a) **MAJESTY** is Dignity / Kingliness / and Nobility!
- b) **MAJESTY** is the Authority of a Sovereign Power!
- c) **MAJESTY** is the Supreme Attribute of a Monarch / KING!
- d) **MAJESTY** is the Dominant Attribute of
the **KING OF KINGS** and
the **LORD OF LORDS** over ALL!
- e) **MAJESTY** links HIS **HOLINESS** to
HIS **SOVEREIGNTY...**

1 CHRONICLES 29:11

Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

5) THE ELEMENT of **EXCLUSIVITY** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **GLORY**

- a) HIS **EXCLUSIVITY** makes HIS **HOLINESS**
Active and Personal not Abstract and Impersonal!
- b) HIS **EXCLUSIVITY** looks like **JEALOUSY** in HIS
RELATIONSHIP with HIS PEOPLE!
- c) OUR GOD is a **JEALOUS** GOD....
- Exodus 20:5 / Deuteronomy 4:24
- d) OUR GOD'S NAME is **JEALOUS** (Exodus 34:14)
- e) HIS **EXCLUSIVITY** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **GLORY**....

ISAIAH 42:8

I AM THE LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another,
neither my praise to graven images.

- 6) THE ELEMENT of **WRATH** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **SERIOUSNESS**
- a) HIS **WRATH** is not a matter of **EMOTION** or **REACTION**
like ours
 - b) HIS **WRATH** is the **NECESSARY** and **PROPER STAND**
that OUR **HOLY GOD MUST** take against
anything or anyone that **opposes** HIM
 - c) HIS **WRATH** **REQUIRES** that HE take **SIN / DISOBEDIENCE / and**
REBELLION SERIOUSLY!
 - d) HIS **WRATH** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **SERIOUSNESS**

ROMANS 1:18

For the **WRATH OF GOD** is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

- 7) THE ELEMENT of **RIGHTEOUSNESS** links HIS **HOLINESS**
to HIS **MORAL CORRECTNESS**
- a) What GOD **WILLS** is ALWAYS **RIGHT** and **RIGHTEOUS** in our **ETHICAL** and **MORAL SENSE**
 - b) What is **RIGHT** and WHAT is **MORAL** can only be answered by appealing to an independent standard of morality found in the **WORD OF GOD**...there is **NO STANDARD APART FROM THE WORD OF GOD**
 - c) HIS **RIGHTEOUSNESS** links HIS **HOLINESS** to HIS **MORAL CORRECTNESS**

PSALM 145:17

The LORD is **RIGHTEOUS** in all his ways, and Holy in all his works.

JEREMIAH 23:6

In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, **THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS**.

WHAT IS THE **POINT TEACHER?** HERE IS THE **POINT PEOPLE!**

Action Point

Having heard and understood this teaching, answers the question, “WHAT should I do?”

- 1) If you are a **CHRISTIAN, THEN** you are a **WORSHIPPER!**
- 3) **BE A TRUE** **WORSHIPPER!**
- 5) **WORSHIP** THE FATHER IN **SPIRIT** AND IN **TRUTH** AND IN **HOLINESS!**

4) REALIZE / REMEMBER / AND NEVER FORGET that

THE **GREATEST** Expression of **WORSHIP**
IS

THE **SMALLEST** Act of **OBEDIENCE** !

AND

THE **HIGHEST** Expression of **PRAISE**
IS

THE **HUMBLEST** Act of **OBEDIENCE** !

THE **DEEPEST** Expression of **LOVE**
IS

THE **DAILYEST** Act of **OBEDIENCE** !

LIVE LIKE IT!!!

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