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What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving?

I can understand different parts of the Bible.

I can understand what Christians think about God.

I can express which quotes are about God being holy and which are about God being loving.

This week, Kestrel class looked at three different passages from the Bible. We first learnt about the structure of the Bible as the three passages came from different places and were written in different centuries. The first reading was from the book of Psalms and was written by King David. The second was from the book of Isaiah and the third was from the Gospel of St John. We then looked for examples of words, phrases or sentences which showed that God was loving or Holy.

The first reading is taken from Psalm 103

1 I say to myself, 'Praise the Lord!'
Everything that is in me, praise his holy name!
2 I say to myself, 'Praise the Lord!'
Never forget all the good things that he has done for you!
3 He forgives all my sins.
He makes me well again when I am ill.
4 He always loves me and he is kind to me.
That is how he blesses me so much!
5 He gives me many good things for my life here.
So I become strong again, with the strength of a young eagle.
6 The Lord does what is right and fair.
He helps poor people who suffer.
7 He showed Moses how he works to help his people.
He showed the Israelites the great things that he could do

8 The Lord is kind to people and he forgives them.
He is slow to get angry and his love always continues.
9 He will not always tell us that we are wrong.
He will not always continue to be angry.
10 We should receive much punishment for the bad things that we do.
But the Lord does not punish us so much.
11 For people who worship him, his faithful love is very great.
How far is the sky above the earth? His love is greater than that!
12 How far is the east from the west?
The Lord has taken our sins further away than that!
He no longer says that we are guilty.
13 As a father is kind to his children, the Lord is kind to us.
He is kind to people who worship him.
14 He knows that we are weak humans.

15 But the faithful love of the Lord
will always be with people who worship him.
He promises to be kind to their children's children for ever.
16 He continues to love people who obey his covenant.
Those are the people who obey his laws.
17 The Lord rules from his throne in heaven.
He rules as king over everything.
18 You who are the Lord's angels,
you strong angels who do what he tells you to do,
praise the Lord!
19 All of you who belong to his armies in heaven,
his servants who do what he wants,
praise the Lord!
20 Yes, everything that the Lord has made,
in all the places that he rules over,
praise the Lord!

The second reading is taken from Isaiah 6:1-5

1 In the year when King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord God. He was sitting high up, on a throne.
The ends of his long coat filled the temple. 2 Above him there were seraphs. Each one had six wings. Two wings covered the seraphs' faces. Two wings covered their feet. With the other two wings they were flying.
3 The seraphs called out to one another. They said, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty! The whole earth is full of his great glory.'
4 When the seraphs spoke, the foundation of the temple shook. And the temple became full of smoke.
5 Then I said, 'It is bad for me! My life is at an end! I have lips that are unclean. I live among people with lips that are unclean. With my own eyes I have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.'

The third reading is taken from 1 John 4:7-13

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.
¹³This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit.

PSALM 103	ISAIAH 6:1-5	1 JOHN 4:7-13
<p>"Heals your diseases" means that God is loving.</p> <p>"Compassion on his children" shows God is holy.</p>	<p>"his robe filled the temple" shows God is powerful</p>	<p>"God is love." shows that God is loving.</p>

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<p>"Abounding in love," Shows that God is loving.</p>	<p>Robe filled the temple, "shows that God is Holy"</p>	<p>"we love because he first loved us," Shows that God is love loving.</p>

PSALM 103	ISAIAH 6:1-5	1 JOHN 4:7-13
<p>Heals all your diseases Shows that he is loving</p> <p>They glorify like a glowworm in a field Shows he is holy</p>	<p>The lord almighty shows he is holy</p> <p>His robe filled the temple shows he is powerful.</p>	<p>Whoever loves in love lives in god shows he is loving.</p> <p>Whoever does not love, their brother or sister they cant love god</p>