



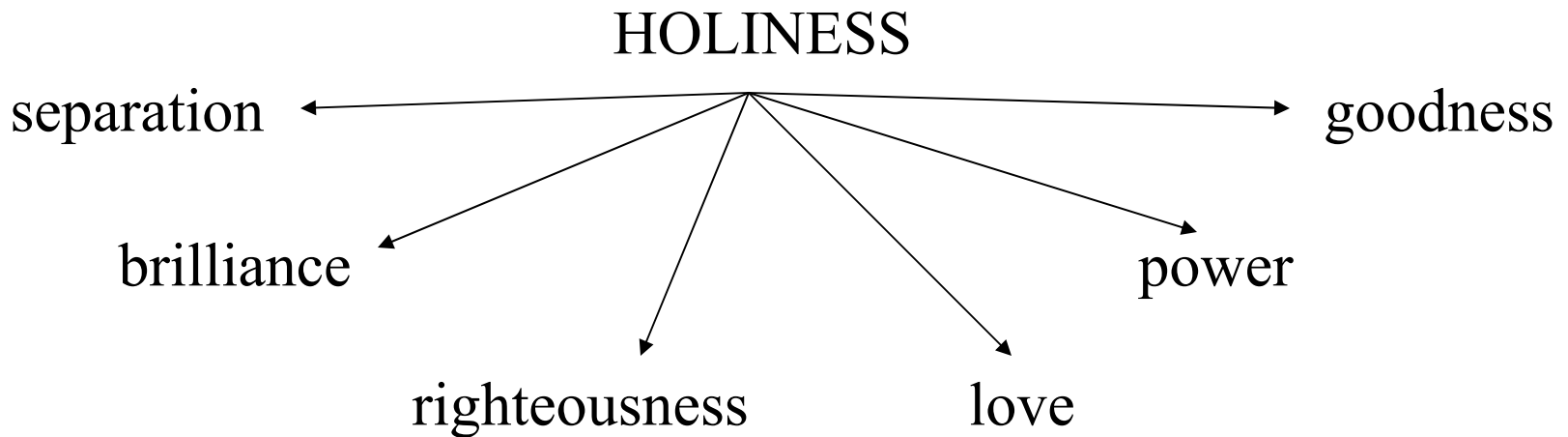






# *Holiness – what do we really mean?*

- ❖ It is what makes God, God -- and us, not God!
- ❖ Fundamentally, it is a statement about God's character.
- ❖ One of the Wesleyan distinctives is our emphasis on growing in our own holiness. "Be holy, as I am holy."  
(Lev 19:2)



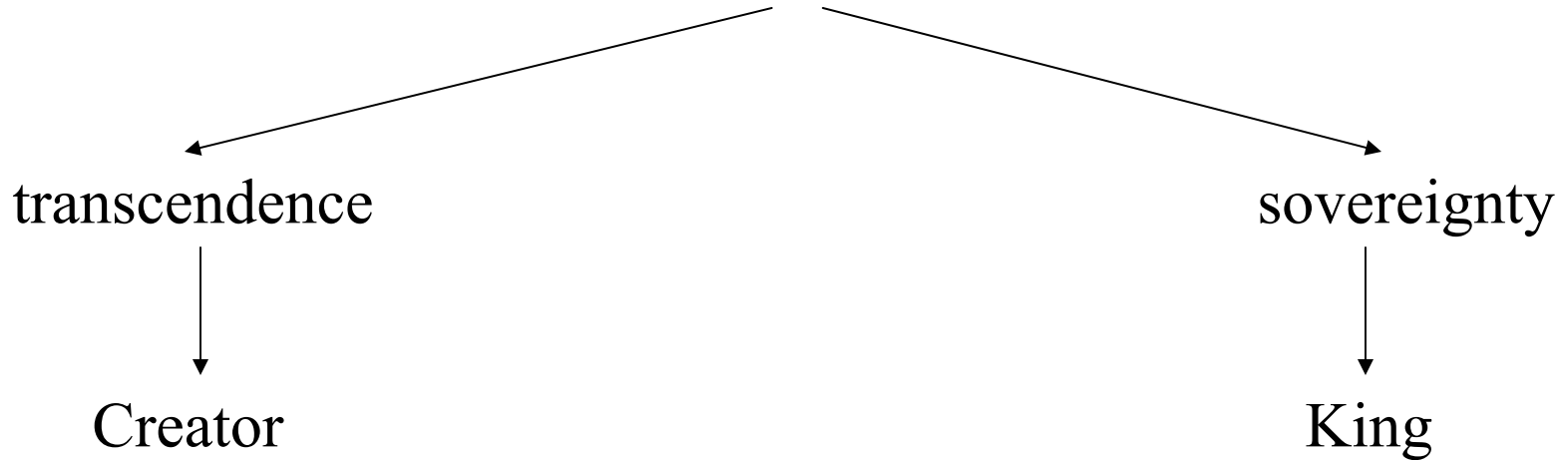
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# *Holy God as Creator and King*

## HOLINESS AS SEPARATION



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# *Holy God – Transcendent Creator*

- ❖ God the Creator
  - The first story of creation!
  - Isaiah 42:5
- ❖ God as cultivator, builder, and potter
  - Matthew 21:33-43; 1 Cor 3:6-7; Jer 31:4; Jer 18:1-11
- ❖ Jesus is the creator and giver of life – John 1:1-18
- ❖ The Spirit gives life – Job 33:4; 2 Cor 3:6
- ❖ When we consider God as creator, we think of salvation as the restoration of the image of God in us all. We are regenerated and reborn – there is a new act of creation!
  - “So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new.” (2 Cor 5:17)





# *Holy God as Personal Revealer and Priest*

## HOLINESS AS BRILLIANCE

immanence

“God-with-us”  
Emmanuel

purity/grace

Personal Revealer

Priest

The glory of God  
symbolized by  
cloud and fire

By his grace, God  
establishes the means  
of reconciliation

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