Study 1 THE GOD WHO IS

His nature:

- Father
- Creator
- King

the kind of Father, Creator, King God is, is seen in:

HIS PERFECTIONS AS 'THE HOLY ONE'

in every way characterized by:

* the unsearchable greatness of His divine glory understood by the awesome revelation of:

- His dynamic, eternal-Being of love

(irrepressible outflowing of that *divine inner spring* of the One who is *both* light & love: the Eternally Self-existent, Immortal, Invisible, Living & One True God—*always* at work in His world)

- His righteousness

(right relational action according to the way of His nature)

- His faithfulness

(absolute trustworthiness & dependability as the One who does not change & whose word is liberating revelation of the truth)

- His goodness

(wonderfully functional provision for His beloved creation; richly blessing out of His abounding fullness & divine Self-giving)

- His moral purity

(utter separation from darkness & evil; & in His love's holy-wrath jealously burning against both—bringing right & just judgment)

- His mercy & grace

(yearning to bless: judgment withheld & abundance freely given!)

- His purposefulness

(unwavering resolve to sovereignly accomplish—according to His perfect wisdom & knowledge—His eternal plan[s] of love)

- His power

(total ability to bring about everything He has purposed)

- His blessedness & wholeness of Being

(unbounded joy & delight & perfect rest & peace in all that He is & does; even within divine, holy love's deep grief & anguish, always knowing an entirely undiminished freedom & fullness)

- His dynamic, personal presence of love

(intimate & searching relational engagement with His creation)