

Symbols and Depictions

Series Description

Week One **Introduction**

- What is a symbol
- What is a depiction
- Hebrew Language overview
- What is an event
- Depictions with and explanation

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- Review Symbols, Depictions and Events
- Analogies
- Figurative or literal
- Visions
- Kingdoms/world
- Prophecy and explanation
- Common denominators

Week Three **Numbers**

- Three
- Four
- Seven
- Twelve

Week Four **Colors**

- 1. Green 2. Purple 3. Blue 4. Red 5. White 6. Black

Week Five **Objects and animals**

- 1. Sheep 2. Goat 3. Water 4. Oil/olive 5. Grapes/wine
- 6. Yeast 7. Bread 8. Eagle 9. Scale 10. Horse

Week Six **Prophecy**

Use only terms that Revelation or prophecy use

- 1. Gold 2. Silver 3. Bronze 4. Iron 5. Clay 6. Stone

Interpreting the depiction in Revelation 1:12-17

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Definition Handout

- **Symbol:** a symbol is a mark, sign or word that indicated or is understood as representing an idea, object or relationship
- **Depiction:** a representation in words or images of someone or something
- **Event:** a thing that happens, especially one of importance, an occurrence
- **Parable:** a simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
- **Analogy:** a comparison between two things, typically for the purpose of explanation or clarification
- **Literal:** exactly what is written, you can hold a talent of gold
- **Figurative:** something does not mean the exact primary word, you can't hold the talent of dancing in your hand
- **Vision:** an encounter with GOD where He imparts special revelations. Daniel had visions and night visions/dreams

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Week Two GOD's Organization Style Study Guide

1. What is the definition of a symbol?
2. What is a depiction?
3. How do you describe an event?
- 4.. What is the definition of an analogy?
5. What is the analogy in Genesis 15:5? In Genesis 22:16?
6. Give an example of an analogy that is used today? Example: having to break the eggs to make an omelet.
7. What is the definition of figurative?
8. What is the definition of literal?
9. Is hell a literal place or a figurative place? Revelation 21:8
10. Why is context important for determining what is meant?
11. Why would GOD and Jesus use analogies in Scripture?
12. How is kingdom defined?
13. Do the kingdoms in Daniel 2's statue have literal locations? How do we know where they were located?
14. Are the facts about these empires in Daniel's statue about the land they controlled or about their political world organization?

15. Genesis 10:2 Who are Tubal and Meshech?
16. Is Jeremiah 24 an analogy or a depiction?
17. Did Jesus give an explanation of the parable of the four soils? Matthew 13:1-23; Mark 4:1-24; Luke 8:4-18
18. Daniel 8:1-4 what is described in this vision of Daniel?
19. Daniel 8:5-8 describes what?
20. What are the feet made of in Daniel's statue?
21. Daniel 7:8 say what about the little horn?
22. Isaiah 28:16, Psalm 133:22 means in what He , 1 Peter 2:7-8 all call Jesus what?
23. What is the common denominator of all seven kingdoms?
24. Has what you've learned in this week's study, given you help in understanding what GOD means in what He has said?

Additional Scriptures

Daniel 8:25
Daniel 11:1-5
Daniel 7:8
Psalm 23
Jeremiah 24:1-2
Genesis 15:5
Deuteronomy 32:9
Isaiah 19:25
Daniel 2:34-35

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Week Three Numbers Study Guide

1. What is one group of three that you can think of? Example 3 kingdoms, animal, vegetable and mineral
2. What were the three divisions in the tabernacle and temple? Exodus 26:31-33
3. How many Patriarchs of Israel are named? Exodus 3:5-6; Matthew 22:32
4. How many times do the angels sing Holy in Isaiah 6:3 and Revelation 4:8?
5. What three kinds of people will mourn Babylon's destruction in Revelation 18:9-19?
6. Revelation 16:13 describes how many evil spirits that looked like frogs?
7. 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, what three things are listed here?
8. We've looked at several scripture verses. Do they all have a pattern of being complete?
9. What watch did Jesus walk on water? Matthew 14:25
10. How long did the LORD say Abram's seed be in a land that would afflict them? Genesis 15:13
11. Leviticus 23:5 When does it say The LORD's Passover occurs? Does this equate to time?
12. Exodus 27:1-2 says there are four sides and four horns on the Altar. How does that signify a symbolic meaning for four?
13. Genesis 7:10 How many days before the flood waters came upon the earth?

14. How many years did Jacob serve for Rachel? Was the literal, symbolic or both? Genesis 29:20-30

15. What story does Genesis 50:1-13 tell that includes 70?

16. Why does Jeremiah 25:11-12 and 29:10 give a prophecy for 70 years?

17. Are the 12 tribes of Israel figurative or literal?

18. Exodus 15:27 are the 12 wells figurative or literal?

19. Exodus 28:12 breast plate or 12 stones figurative or literal?

20. Conclusion: what did you find that each of these numbers that we've looked at symbolized?

21. Revelation 7, is the 144,000 literal or figurative?

Additional Scripture

Genesis 21-:28-34

Genesis 33:3

Genesis 41:5-7

Lev 23:41

Lev 25:8

Lev 26:21:2

Numbers 12:14

Numbers 14:34

Psalms 119:164

Revelation 7:18

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Week Four Colors

1. Palms 23:2 What does green mean in this passage?
2. Who is Jeremiah 17:8 talking about with the green foliage?
3. Genesis 1:30 has the first mention of green in Scripture. What does it say?
4. What color is an emerald?
5. What do you think the color green symbolizes?
6. What is the color used for in these verses?
Exodus 25:4
Exodus 26:31
Exodus 28:5-6
7. Esther 8:15 What was Mordecai clothed in?
8. Judges 8:26 purple robes were listed as what?
9. Daniel 5:7 What did Belshazzar promise to anyone who could read the writing?
10. What do you think purple symbolizes?
11. Isaiah 54:11 what are the foundations laid with?
12. Revelation 21:18-21 What is this foundation describing?
13. Ezekiel 1:26 describes what as sapphire?
14. Exodus 24:10. What is mentioned made of sapphires?
15. Exodus 25:4 but verse 8 says what it is for. What is mentioned as an offering in verse 4?

16. What do you think that blue symbolizes?
17. Revelation 12:3 What color is the dragon?
18. Revelation 7:14 How did the robes become white?
19. So, what does red symbolize?
20. Revelation 7:14 says what about white?
21. Exodus 16:31 What is white in this verse?
22. Matthew 17:2 What is white compared to?
23. What does white symbolize in Scripture?
24. Exodus 10:15 What happened to the ground?
25. 1 Kings 18:45 How was the storm described?
26. Luke 23:44 What happened while Jesus was on the cross dying?
27. Matthew 30 What happened to the third servant?
28. What does black symbolize?

Additional Scriptures

Esther 1:6

Luke 9:29

Acts 1:10

Revelation 3:5

Ecclesiastes 9:8

Mark 16:5

Rev 20:11

Isaiah 1:18

Matthew 5:36

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Week Five Objects and Animals

1. Matthew 25:31-46 In this parable that Jesus told, He is doing what?
2. John 10:2-4 What parallel is Jesus making of sheep and men?
3. Sheep are literal animals but also have a figurative meaning. What do they symbolize?
4. What was the punishment for the goats in Matthew 25:31-46?
5. John 10:3-4 says sheep do what?
6. Leviticus 16:4 and Exodus 30:17-21 What was the priest to do? What did washing symbolize?
7. Matthew 3:11 John the Baptist said what about baptism?
8. What does water symbolize?
9. Romans 11:17-24 What are Gentiles being grafted into?
10. John 5:26 Where does the life in Jesus, the olive tree, come from?
11. John 15:16 What was Jesus' command in this verse?
12. Romans 11:16 Why are the branches holy?
13. Numbers 13:23-24 what was it that the spies cut?
14. 1 Kings 4:25 What does under his vine mean?
15. John 15:1-5; 6-7 How does Jesus describe Himself? And what He say about bearing fruit?

16. Revelation 14:18-20 What happens to the grapes?
17. Galatians 5:9 says what about yeast?
18. Matthew 16:5-12 Jesus warned to be on guard against what?
19. In Matthew 13:33 and Luke 13:20-21 Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to what?
20. Exodus 16:14-19 What is manna and what did it do for the Israelites in the wilderness?
21. Exodus 19:4 says what about GOD and eagles' wings?
22. Isaiah 40:31 says what will those who wait upon the LORD do?

Additional Scripture

Psalms 52:8
Matthew 28:18-20
Acts 2:38-39
Romans 6:1-14
Ephesians 5:26
Isaiah 44:3
John 4:14
John 7:37-39
Romans 11:16-24
John 15:1,5,8
1 Corinthians 5:6-8
Duet 32:11
Isaiah 40:15
Job 31:6
Daniel 5:27
Esther 6:8
Revelation 19:11

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Week Six Prophecy Study Guide

1. Daniel 2, what the head of the statue made of?
2. Exodus 30: 1-3 What was the altar of incense to be overlaid with?
3. Revelation 8:3 What was the altar before the throne of GOD made of? The censer of the angel?
4. Malachi 3:3 What does this passage say about silver?
5. Matthew 26:14-16 What was Judas paid and why?
6. Zechariah 13:8-9 Who is being refined like silver?
7. Psalm 66:8-12 This Psalm was written after a great battle. What is the point in these verses?
8. Proverbs 17:3 says the crucible of silver and the furnace for gold, but what does the LORD test?
9. Exodus 27:1-2 What is the Altar of Burnt Offering to be covered in?
10. Numbers 21:9 What did Moses put on the pole?
11. Psalm 2:9 Who will rule with a rod of iron?
12. Daniel 2:40 Besides being strong as iron, what will this empire do that's compared to iron?
13. Revelation 12:5 quotes Psalm 2:9. What is the quote?
14. Looking at these Scripture reference to iron, what do you think Iron symbolizes?
15. 2 Corinthians 4:7 believers are what?
16. Genesis 15:7, 18-21 GOD give Abraham a promise of what?
17. Deuteronomy 27:5-7 What kind of stones were to be used in building the altar?
18. Exodus 20:25 What did the LORD say about using a tool on the stones for an altar?
19. Isaiah 28:16 What did the Sovereign LORD lay in Zion?

20. Psalms 118:22 What did the builders reject?

Now let's practice on the depiction in Revelation 1:12-16 and determine Who it is.

21. What does seven mean symbolically?

22. What does gold mean symbolically?

23. What does a lampstand symbolize?

24. What does a golden sash symbolize?

25. What does head and hair were white like wool symbolize?

26. What does His eyes were like blazing fire mean?

27. What does His feet were like bronze glowing in a fire symbolize?

28. What does the sound of His voice like rushing waters symbolize?

29. What is the significance of it in His right hand?

30. What do the stars symbolize?

31. What does a double-edge sword out of His mouth symbolize?

32. What does His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance symbolize?

Additional Scripture

Acts 1:10

Rev 3:4; 18

Rev 4:4

Rev 15:6

Rev 20:11

Haggai 2:6-9

Isaiah 2:18-21

Deuteronomy 28:48

Genesis 27:17

Isaiah 45:2-3

Jeremiah 18:1-6

Isaiah 17:12-13

Joshua 8:31

1 Kings 6:7

Jeremiah 51:25-26

Psalms 12:6