

# **PRINCIPLES OF BIBLE STUDY #11**

## **WORD PICTURES**

John 5:45-47

- Every single \_\_\_\_\_ in the Bible is there for a \_\_\_\_\_. God doesn't do anything without a purpose.
- Some Bibles contain pictures of the Holy Land, the ministry of Jesus Christ, or some of the Old Testament stories; but the real pictures are \_\_\_\_\_ and they can be seen easily by paying attention to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture.

**In John 5:46, the Lord Jesus Christ said that Moses \_\_\_\_\_ of him, yet NOWHERE in the first five books of the Bible will you find any specific mention of Jesus Christ by \_\_\_\_\_. Yet Moses DID write of Jesus Christ - in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.**

- While the Old Testament is a 100% reliable history book, it is also \_\_\_\_\_ of pictures. Finding Jesus Christ in the Old Testament requires specific attention to the words of Scripture, but what a \_\_\_\_\_ search it is! Let's look at some examples to whet your appetite.

### **PICTURE #1 - Abraham & Isaac - Genesis 22**

Look at the many pictures of Christ's crucifixion in this passage:

#### Verse 2

- Abraham \_\_\_\_\_ his son Isaac - God the Father \_\_\_\_\_ His Son Jesus Christ (John 3:35, 5:20)
- Abraham was told to offer his son as a \_\_\_\_\_. This is what God the Father sent Jesus Christ to do, to become the sacrifice for our sins (1 John 2:2).

#### Verse 3

- Abraham took \_\_\_\_\_ for the burnt offering (a picture of the cross).

#### Verse 4

- Notice the mention of the \_\_\_\_\_ day. Knowing that Christ rose again on the 3rd day (1 Corinthians 15:4) connects this account with the crucifixion.

#### Verse 5

- Look carefully! Abraham believed that \_\_\_\_\_ he and Isaac would return! How could this be possible if Isaac was sacrificed? See Hebrews 11:17-19.

\*\*\*Go on down to verse 8 - INCREDIBLE WORDING - "God will provide \_\_\_\_\_ lamb for a burnt offering" - God certainly DID provide Himself - Jesus Christ (the Lamb of God in John 1:29) being God manifest in the flesh!\*\*\*

## **PICTURE #2 - The Passover - Exodus 12**

### Verse 5

- The lamb to be offered had to be without \_\_\_\_\_ - Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God is “without \_\_\_\_\_” according to Hebrews 4:15.
- The lamb had to be a \_\_\_\_\_ - this matches Jesus Christ as well.

### Verses 6-7

- The lamb was to be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Notice the wording in verse 6 - “the **whole assembly of the congregation of Israel** shall kill it in the evening.”
- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the lamb was to be placed on the door post.

### Verses 8-9

- Notice the pictures abounding in the WORDS!
  - v. 8 - “roast with fire” - a picture of \_\_\_\_\_
  - v. 9 - “nor sodden at all with water” - Jesus on the cross in John 19:28 said, “I \_\_\_\_\_.”

### Verses 12-13

- It was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ that saved the Israelites from God’s judgment. It is the blood of Christ that saves and keeps us from God’s wrath according to Romans 5:9.

\*\*\*God intends for us to see these word pictures since Jesus Christ is our \_\_\_\_\_ according to 1 Corinthians 5:7.\*\*\*

## **PICTURE #3 - The Serpent on a Pole - Numbers 21:6-9**

### Verses 8-9

- The Israelites were dying because of the fiery serpents. Moses was told to make a fiery serpent and set it upon a pole. Once an Israelite looked upon the serpent on the pole, he/she \_\_\_\_\_.

How is this connected with Jesus Christ? See John 3:14-15

- The serpent - a picture of \_\_\_\_\_ - according to 2 Corinthians 5:21, Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_ sin for us on the cross!
- - Galatians 3:13 says that Christ became a \_\_\_\_\_ for us.



Old Testament physical truths \_\_\_\_\_ New Testament spiritual truths thru pictures, or types.

**DISCLAIMER:** All types eventually break down since they are only pictures. There is only ONE Jesus Christ He alone is PERFECT!