

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!