



GOD IN YOU

The Pictures of the Holy Spirit

"And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him" (John 1:32).

Introduction: Types are symbols or metaphors used to convey complex spiritual truth. They are used of the Holy Spirit to emphasize and illustrate aspects of His person and work which might otherwise be difficult to understand fully.

1. The Dove (Matthew 3:16)

- a. It speaks of the Spirit's origin (Mark 1:10)
- b. It speaks of the Spirit's beauty (Psalm 68:13)
- c. It speaks of the Spirit's gentleness (Matthew 10:16)
- d. It speaks of the Spirit's peace (Galatians 5:22)

2. The Clothing of Power (Luke 24:49 – "endued")

- a. The clothing of the Spirit identifies His servants
- b. The clothing of the Spirit empowers His servants

3. The Earnest of God

- a. He is the earnest of our final salvation (Ephesians 1:14)
- b. He is the earnest of our inheritance (2 Corinthians 1:22)
- c. He is the earnest of our future glory (2 Corinthians 5:5)
- d. He is the earnest of our fellowship with God
- e. He is the earnest of our likeness unto Christ



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4. Fire (Acts 2:3)

- a. It was a sign of the Lord's presence (Exodus 3:2) - warmth
- b. It was a sign of the Lord's protection (Exodus 13:21)
- c. It was a sign of the Lord's approval (1 Kings 18:38)
- d. It was a sign of the Lord's discipline (1 Peter 1:7) – dross removed
- e. It was a sign of the Lord's Word (Jeremiah 5:14) – illumined
- f. It was a sign of the Lord's judgment (Leviticus 10:1-2)

5. Oil

- a. It was used in the lamp at the Tabernacle – illumined the Tab.
- b. It was used as an ingredient in the meal offering (Leviticus 2:1-16)
- c. It was used in the anointing of the priests (Exodus 40:9-16)
- d. It was used in the anoint of the kings (1 Samuel 10:1)
- e. It was used as a medicine to the injured (Luke 10:34, James 5:14)
- f. It was used as a reminder of spiritual joy (Psalm 45:7))
- g. It was used a sign of spiritual preparation (Matthew 25:3-8)

6. Seal (2 Corinthians 1:22)

- a. It is a sign of the believer's ownership (Ephesians 1:13, 4:30)
- b. It is a sign of the believer's security (Matthew 27:66)
- c. It is a sign of the believer's approval (John 6:27)
- d. It is a sign of the believer's authority (1 Corinthians 9:2)
- e. It is a sign of the believer's change – divine impress on our hearts



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7. Servant (Genesis 24)

- a. Abraham is a type of the Father
- b. Isaac is a type of the only-begotten Son
- c. Rebekah is a type of the bride (or the church)
- d. The servant, possibly Eliezer, is a type of the Holy Spirit
- e. The camel, suggests Pastor Pruett, is a type of grace

8. Water

- a. There are springs that continually cleanse and refresh (John 4:14)
- b. There are rivers that quench the soul's thirst (John 7:37-39)
- c. There are floods of to both supply and sentence (Isaiah 44:3)
- d. There is rain that gives live to the barren (Psalm 72:6, Joel 2:23)
- e. There is dew, the gentle work of the Spirit (Hosea 14:5)

9. Wind

- a. It reminds us of the Bible's inspiration (1 Peter 1:21)
- b. The power of wind (Acts 2:1-2)
- c. The invisibleness of wind (John 3:8)
- d. The sovereign purpose of wind