Welcome Prayer

Let's put aside our busy day and let the Holy Spirit guide us in our Workshop tonight. I do have some hand outs for you from WORSHIP WARRIORS and some gifts that you can take on your way out. <u>Significance of Biblical Colors</u> hand-out.

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everlasting **covenant** between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth. So God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth." Genesis 9:16-17

BIBLICAL COLOR

Did you know that color in the scriptures is very significant? Oh yes, and... it is very significant in our human experience here on earth and which has not changed since the beginning of time. We must take the time to enjoy the beauty of God's Creation and see color with a prophetic eye. When you look up in the sky at the rainbow, what do you see? We see color right?

And we know it is a sign from God of His covenant to us.

Pastor Ann works at St. Luke's and could give us some very interesting information on how our eyes see color and why. Maybe ask her sometime, it's fascinating!

When we read God's Word, it is written by people like you and I and how they understood and saw things culturally and spiritually during their brief time on this planet. If you read the prophet Ezekiel's writings you will see that at times he had difficulty writing down what he saw. God was showing him many things that were beyond what he could describe with words.

Gary & I have Bible Study at our house on Friday evenings, 6:30pm. We are currently studying the book of Ezekiel, line upon line. I go so excited a week ago when we read this scripture.

As the appearance of the **rainbow** in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the surrounding radiance. Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And when I saw it, I fell on my face and heard a voice speaking. Ezekiel 1:28

- 1. Do you see a rainbow of color set before you?
- What color are you drawn to at this very moment?
 We are not going for our favorite color here.



This is to exercise your spirit and

to show you that the Holy Spirit will lead you as a worshiper to a color.

Ok, got that color in your spirit? Don't change it once we read the references because, God is speaking something to your spirit through color. Just remember it as we read a couple of scripture references for the colors displayed up front. You will have a hand-out in your bag with these references.

• I also, have this information in my book: <u>ABBA...I Give You My Heart</u>.

Let's keep in mind that as believers we are part of a "prophetic culture." Color is given to our spirit through revelation from the LORD. The same is true in the scriptures; color is not described in a clear concise manner very often. For example in the Ezekiel 1:28;

Like the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the radiance around Him. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. When I saw it, I fell facedown, and I heard the voice of One speaking.

There were no exact colors mentioned, right? Do you see what I am getting at?

Basic Biblical Color Overview:

• Color & Scripture reference; several ladies read a scripture reference.

Read off meaning of colors:

- Blue: Ex. 28:3-6 (Priesthood)*
- Turquoise: Rev. 22:1 (River)
- Green: Gen. 1:30 (Food from the earth)*
- Yellow: Ex. 25:6 (Anointing oil)
- Red/scarlet: Eph. 1:7 (Blood of Yeshua)
- White: 1Jn. 1:7 (Bride of Yeshua, cleansed white as snow)
- Orange/amber: Ezek. 1:4 (Fire)
- Pink: Ps. 32:11 (Upright in heart-Right relationship)
- Black: Ps. 18:11 (Secret Place, darkness)
- Purple: Esth. 8:15 (Royalty, royal garments)

* The asterisk means the specific color is mentioned in the scripture reference.

Basic Flag Movements

Question: Can you describe this flag? How about this one? (Showed 2 different color flags) I would like to mention here that since we are living in a western culture many times we see things differently than what the scriptures intended. What do I mean by this? I think a really simple way to at look at it is this:

EAST vs. WEST

A Western Culture vs. Eastern Culture mindset, or way of thinking. We tend to read the Bible according to our cultural thinking in the West instead of the Eastern culture where the scriptures were written.

Very simply put:

- Western: appearance (what it looks like)
- Eastern: function (what it does)

So let me ask you a second time. Can you describe this flag according to Biblical thinking? How about this one? (Same 2 flags shown again)

So why do I bring this up? Because a flag is not just about its appearance or color, it's also about its function and movement.

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When we read this scripture we see these 2 mindsets about the rainbow.

- Eastern thinking: God's covenant
- Western thinking: Colorful bow in the sky

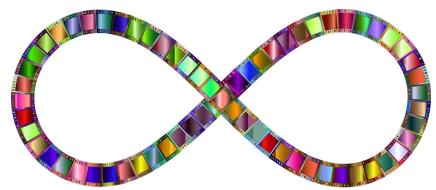
FUNCTION OF FLAGS

I have a hand-out in your bag that is titled <u>Flags & Banners in the Bible</u>. This is a reference for you to see the function of your flag (banner is used often instead of the word flag.) It is listed as representation and then the scripture in the adjoining column.

(Break)

Demonstration

I would like to demonstrate some basic movements for you and then we will do them



together. Remember we spoke about the Holy Spirit giving revelation to the worshiper? This is the same principle for movement with your banners (flags).

A basic movement called the "figure 8 principle" is huge when flagging for the LORD with any size flag. The figure 8 principle works well to help keep the flag(s) from tangling and presents the message on the flag for all to see. This movement is done with both hands for handheld flags as well as long pole flags.

Activation

Practice the figure 8 movement and then try it using flags in both hands. It takes a little bit to get used to using both hands and keeping them untangled. Use 1 hand until you are comfortable using 2 hands. You can do this! Size of flags can matter greatly and it's best to start smaller and work up to larger flags.

Here is a little nugget we need to get into our thinking.

- Any worship tool that we are using to express the revelation God is showing us and is just that a tool, a point of contact.
- *There is no power in them at all.* The power comes from the worshiper as they commune with the LORD in worship.

Group worship (2 songs) we will incorporate movements learned. Let the Holy Spirit guide your movements.

- 1. Open Heaven by Miranda Curtis
- 2. Mercy Seat by Vicki Yohe

Questions and Comments

Prayer

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