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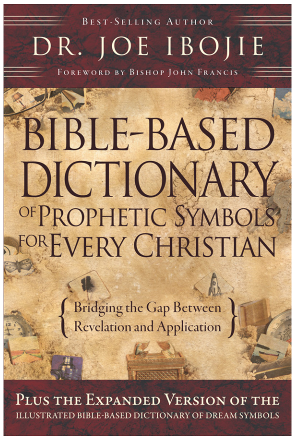

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ACID: Something that eats from within. Keeping offense or hatred or malice.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***Seeing acid in a container:*** Potentially dangerous situation, something to be handled with care.
2. ***Acid smeared on the skin:*** Challenging situation, something that could be dangerous and corrosive.

See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many (Hebrews 12:15).

ADULTERY: Unfaithfulness regarding things of the spirit or of the natural, or actual adultery; lust for the pleasures of this world; sin.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***When a married person dreams of having extra-marital affairs:*** May indicate dreamer unfaithful in things of God, or may be literal or tempting situation, divided loyalty, wavering between options.
2. ***When a married man dreams of looking for a person to marry:*** May indicate the need to fully identify one's calling in God; the dreamer is not completely settled into the marriage relation; the need to be more intimate with one's spouse.
3. ***When the dreamer suspects spouse is in extra-marital affair:*** This may commonly indicate that one's spouse is paying too much attention to things like business or profession. From my experience, however, this may only occasionally be literal.

The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions (Galatians 5:19-20).

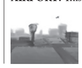
You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God (James 4:4).

AIRPLANE: A personal ministry or a church; capable of moving in the Holy Spirit. Flowing in high spiritual power. Holy spirit-powered ministry.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***Crashing:*** The end of one phase or change of direction.
2. ***High Flying:*** Fully-powered in the Spirit.
3. ***Low Flying:*** Only partially operative in the Spirit.
4. ***Aircraft Soaring:*** Deep in the Spirit or moving in the deep things of God.
5. ***Warplane:*** Call to intercessory ministry; things of present or spiritual warfare.

AIRPORT: This often refers to the ministry that sends out missionaries; high-powered spiritual church capable of equipping and sending



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out their names from those places (Deuteronomy 12:2-3).

ANCHOR: The pillar that something or person hangs on; something that hope is built on.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***Trying to secure an anchor:*** Realizing the need to put things in order or making things more secure.
2. ***Broken anchor:*** Losing firmness or security.
3. ***Strong/firm anchor:*** Confirmation that security is in place.
4. ***Weak/shaking anchor:*** Indicates the need to strengthen existing security.

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain (Hebrews 6:19).

ANKLES: Little faith, early stages.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***Water up to the ankle:*** Faith in God, little faith.
2. ***Chains on the ankle:*** Bondage, slavery.
3. ***Jewelry on ankle:*** Vanity; seduction; beautiful; wrong emphasis.

As the man went eastward with a measuring line in his hand, he measured off a thousand cubits and then led me through water that was ankle-deep (Ezekiel 47:3).

ANOINT: Equipping with the Holy Spirit for service. The power of Holy Spirit to do something; sanctification; setting apart for something; a call to a particular responsibility.

Symbolic Actions

1. ***Being anointed in a church service:*** May indicate a new level of anointing imminent.
2. ***Being anointed by a person who is wrongly dressed or by a person saying things that are not in consonance with the Word of God, or when there are doubts in the mind of dreamer regarding the purity of the minister:*** May indicate the need to be mindful of who lays hands on the dreamer. Prayers to avoid corrupt doctrines, impartation or contamination from polluted spiritual influences.

Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord (James 5:14).

Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet (1 Kings 19:16).

How God has anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how He went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him (Acts 10:38).

Then the men of Judah came to Hebron and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah… (2 Samuel 2:4).

ANT: Industrious, ability to plan ahead; conscious of seasons of life; unwanted guest, nuisance.

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the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree the Most High has issued against my lord the king: You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like cattle and be drenched with the dew of heaven. Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes. The command to leave the stump of the tree with its roots means that your kingdom will be restored to you when you acknowledge that Heaven rules. Therefore, O king, be pleased to accept my advice: Renounce your sins by doing what is right, and your wickedness by being kind to the oppressed. It may be that then your prosperity will continue." All this happened to King Nebuchadnezzar.

Symbol	Meaning & Symbolic Connotation
*"Stood **a tree in the middle of the land.** …Its height was enormous."*	This is indicative of extensive growth of the kingdom of Babylon. The height of the tree was the sign of the dominion and influence of the kingdom on the world scene.
1. Stood	1. To stand one's ground. To take one's place.
2. A tree	2. A leader, (trees were common symbols of leaders in Asia).
3. The middle of the land	3. A place of effective and coordinated reach or vantage position.
4. Its height was enormous	4. The high degree of influence and power over enormous numbers of people.
*"**The tree grew large and strong** and its top touched the sky";*	The phrase expresses the growth and rise to prominence of the kingdom of Babylon and King Nebuchadnezzar's rulership. The prominence would reach most places of the world just as the sky covers the earth. That the king and his kingdom would have a far-reaching influence on people and nations of the world. The tree also is a symbol of the king himself, wealthy and powerful.

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Symbol	Meaning & Symbolic Connotation
*"**A loud voice:** 'Cut down the tree and trim off its branches; strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit."*	A loud voice indicates sound that will be undeniably loud and would draw compelling attention. Judgment from God that the kingdom would be temporarily taken from Nebuchadnezzar would be loud and clear to all.
1. A loud voice	1. The loud voice = the voice of God signifying marked influence, something that draws attention, or that which must be taken notice of.
2. Its branches	2. Its branches refer to the means of exerting or commanding the influence or of exercising power.
3. Its leaves	3. The leaves indicate the means of provision for the people as leaves provide for plants.
4. Scatter its fruits	4. Scattering its fruits means to destroy the means of producing fruits or the ability to provide for others or by so doing remove his influence on the people. This refers only to Nebuchadnezzar himself as the kingdom maintained its dominion in the temporary absence of Nebuchadnezzar.
*"But let the **stump and its roots,** bound with iron and bronze; remain in the ground"*	This dream, because the roots of the stump remained in the ground, indicates that there remains the capacity for the kingdom to be restored to the king when he acknowledges God as the king of all. Binding by chains of iron and bronze indicates captivity or insanity—the mind of the king would be deranged.
1. The stump	1. The stump indicates what survives after punishment.
2. Its roots	2. Its roots means to retain the capacity for sustenance.
3. Bound by iron and bronze	3. This indicates the mind or mental bondage that the king would experience.
4. Remain in the ground	4. To retain the ability to survive and recover, eventually when the right condition comes.

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AARON: *Meaning:* … *enlightener or "li…* was mightily … were Am… of the … daug… fo… I… … and his … promotion.

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and He will rescue us from your hand, O king. But even if He does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up" (Daniel 3:16-18).

ABEL: *Meaning: Hebrew for "breath, vapour, or that which is insubstantial"* … *vanity.*

… second son of Adam and a… …ness and …

ABBA: *Me… for "father."*

ABEDNEGO: *Me… "servant of Nebo (Babylon…*

This was the name given to Azariah … one of the youths of Jewish nobility in Babylonian captivity. He was probably named after a Babylonian god. He refused to be defiled by non-Jewish food from the royal palace of Nebuchadnezzar, or to worship the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had erected. For this commitment and trust in God of the Hebrews,

…Connotation: …lessness; true worshiper of God, the blood that cries out for vengeance.

ABIATHAR: *Meaning: Hebrew for "father of abundance" or father of plenty or excellent father.*

A high priest in Israel and the son of Ahimelech of the tribe of Levi and of the lineage of Eli; he escaped the

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