4. Color

The scriptures are full of references to color. As you scratch below the surface of verses, you can see what certain colors could represent. Colors are symbols. So, how is color a factor while ministering with the flags? In an earlier chapter, I talked about a banner being a standard or symbol erected on a pole. The color is the symbol or standard raised on a pole. Flag colors are symbolic of the nature, name, or attribute of the Lord. When we raise and wave a flag of a particular color, we are raising a symbol of a particular attribute of God or one of His names. Also, while raising this standard we are claiming to belong to who or what the symbol represents. All those who belonged to or who were apart of the house of Judah encamped under the symbol or standard of Judah (Numbers 2:3). Here is an example of how this may be used in ministry. Ezekiel 47:12 says leaves will serve for healing.

Ezekiel 47:12 (NIV) "Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing."

Leaves are green. Green could be associated with healing. God is Healer. When we raise a green flag, we are raising a standard or symbol that shows God's attribute of Healer. We are also showing that we belong to God who is Healer.

As another example, purple could be associated with authority in Daniel 5:29 and royalty or kingship in Ester 8:15:

Authority: Daniel 5:29 (NASB) "Then Belshazzar gave orders, and they clothed Daniel with purple and put a necklace of gold around his neck,

and issued a proclamation concerning him that he now had authority as the third ruler in the kingdom."

Royalty, kingship: Esther 8:15 NIV Mordecai left the king's presence wearing royal garments of blue and white, a large crown of gold and a purple robe of fine linen. And the city of Susa held a joyous celebration."

When we raise a purple flag, we are raising a standard or symbol which shows God has authority and royalty and is King. When I raise a purple flag, I am declaring God is my King and that He has all authority over everything. I am identifying with the God who is all majestic. We can ask God to tell us or show us what color flags to use. The following pages show some colors that could be used.