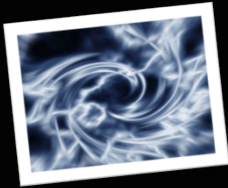


The Creator @ Work Again

made a **“wind”** to pass over earth

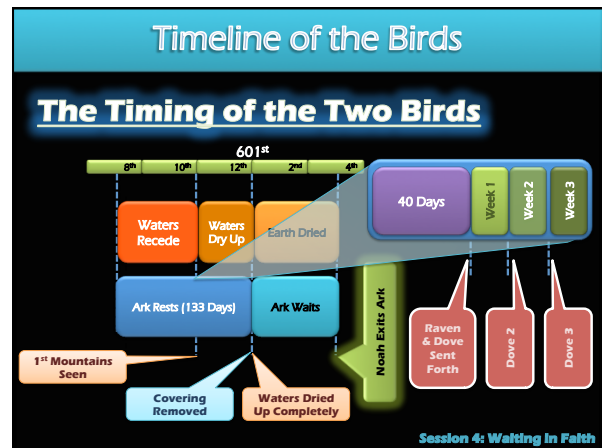
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NOTE – same word as “Spirit”



The creative power of God begins again to fill the earth with His Glory

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The Two Birds – A Study in Contrast

RAVEN		DOVE	
A black coloured bird		A silver coloured bird	
Heb – ‘Oreb’ – to be black		Heb – ‘a soft moaning sound’ (cooing)	
Unclean Bird (Lev 11v13-15, Deut 14v14)		Clean bird fit for sacrifice (Lev 2v5-7, 12v6)	
Picks out eyes (Pro 30v17)		Has beautiful eyes (Song 1v15, 5v12)	
Has a harsh cry (Job 38v41, Psa 147v9)		Has a soft mourning voice (Song 2v14, Nah 2v7)	
Travels great distances for food & is carnivorous (Job 38v41, Pro 30v17)		Strictly vegetarian feeding on seeds & vegetation (Gen 8v11)	
Inhabits desolate regions (Isa 34v11)		Inhabits valleys staying close to home (Isa 60v8)	
Is aggressive (a fierce Midianite Prince was named ‘Oreb’ = Raven (Jug 7v25))		Is a harmless & delicate bird used to represent God’s spirit (Matt 3v16)	

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The Two Birds – A Comparison

Raven	Dove
	
Assessing the Judgments of God	Assessing the Mercy of God
Ravens feed on rotting flesh & travels great distances for food Associated with the “Earth”	Dove feeds on seeds & vegetation travelling only short distances Associated with the “Ground”

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Noah waiting ...

"He STAYED yet another 7 days"

v10 "stayed"

Heb – 'to twist or whirl about'



Noah's brain whirled as he grappled to understand what God's Plan & Purpose was

v12 "stayed"

Heb – 'to wait patiently'



Noah now waits patiently for the final piece of God's Plan waiting in Faith

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Response to Truth – Raven or Dove?

QUESTION:

Raven

Reject & Feed on Refuse



Remain
Unclean & Unchanged

Dove

Endorse & Feed on Divine things



Searching for the
Rest of God

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Dove – Finding Rest

3 Stages of Development

Spiritually Restless & Extremely Fearful

Spiritually Immature & Semi-confident

Spiritually Mature & Totally Self Sufficient

Noah chose to be a Dove & dedicated his life to God & to finding rest ...

WILL YOU???



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