

“APPARITIONS” OF GOD

1. **Jn 4:24** God is a spirit; **Lk 24:39** He is invisible with no physical body.
2. **John 1:18** – The son (Jesus) is the declaration (any physical manifestation) of the Father
3. A Sampling of Biblical Physical Manifestations of God:
Are there Patterns? (I)dentification, (D)ialog, (?)uestions, (M)inistering?

a. Hagar	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Gen 16:7-13 the angel of the LORD
b. Abraham	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Gen 18:1-22, 19:1 three men
c. Jacob	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Gen 32:24-32 a man
d. Moses	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Ex 3-4:18 & Acts 7:30,32 the angel of the LORD
e. Israel	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Ex 23:20-23 an Angel, mine Angel
f. Balaam	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Num 22:21-35 the angel of the LORD
g. Gideon	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Judg 6:11-24 an angel of the LORD; the angel of God ^(v20)
h. Samson	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Judg 13:1-23 the angel of the LORD
i. Elijah	(I) (D) (?) (M)	1Ki 19:5-7 an angel; the angel of the LORD
j. Jesus	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Lk 22:43 an angel; Himself???
k. Paul	(I) (D) (?) (M)	Acts 27:23 the angel of God

John 3:13 Omnipresence of Jesus

4. This pattern provides interesting Insight into these 2 “silent” situations:
 - a. Zipporah **Exo 4:24** – What was the interaction?
Was there ID? How did she know?
 - b. 3 Men in Fire **Daniel 3:25** – 4th man in the Fire “...like the Son of God”
Do you think he was silent?
If not, what kind of dialog do you think they might have had?
5. Application: **Micah 6:8** It is God’s nature & pattern:
ID (Who); Requirement(What); Like Paul Asked **Acts 9:5-6**
6. Warnings **2Cor 11:14-15** & **Gal 1:8** False/Imitation Identification & Message
The better a true believer knows the God of the Bible (by reading & studying it) and yields to the Spirit of God, the better he/she is equipped to discern truth from falsehood.