

Spirit — Soul — Body

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What is man?

Psalms 8:4, “**What is man**, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?”

Hebrews 2:6, “But one in a certain place testified, saying, **What is man**, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?”

Job 7:17, “**What is man**, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him?”

Job 15:14, “**What is man**, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous?”

Psalms 144:3, “LORD, **what is man**, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him!”

Answer:

1 Thessalonians 5:23, “And the very God of peace sanctify you **wholly**; and I pray God your **whole spirit and soul and body** be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The Soul and Spirit are NOT the same:

Hebrews 4:12, “For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the **dividing asunder of soul and spirit**, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

Your body and spirit are NOT only loaned to you they are NOT YOURS:

1 Corinthians 6:19-20, “What? know ye not that **your body** is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in **your body**, and in **your spirit**, which are God's.”

The spirit of man goes UP but the body turns to dust and ash:

Ecclesiastes 3:19-21, “For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: **as the one dieth, so dieth the other**; yea, **they have all one breath**; so that **a man hath no preeminence above a beast**: for all is vanity. **All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again**. Who knoweth **the spirit of man that goeth upward**, and **the spirit of the beast that goeth downward** to the earth?”

Job 30:19, “He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like **dust and ashes**.”

Ecclesiastes 12:6-7, “Or ever **the silver cord be loosed**, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. Then shall **the dust return to the earth** as it was: and **the spirit shall return unto God who gave it**.”

Man is a living soul:

Genesis 2:7, “And the LORD God **formed man** of the **dust of the ground** (body), and **breathed into his nostrils the breath of life** (spirit); and **man became a living soul** (soul).”

1 Corinthians 15:44-48, “It is sown a **natural body**; it is raised a **spiritual body**. **There is a natural body**, and **there is a spiritual body**. And so it is written, **The first man Adam was made a living soul**; the **last Adam was made a quickening spirit**. Howbeit that was **not first which is spiritual**, but **that which is natural**; and **afterward that which is spiritual**. The **first man is of the earth, earthy**; the **second man is the Lord from heaven**. As is the **earthy**, such are they also that are **earthy**: and as is the **heavenly**, such are they also that are **heavenly**.”

Psalms 89:48, “**What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.**”

Matthew 16:26, “For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and **lose his own soul**? or what shall a man give in exchange for **his soul**?”

Mark 8:36-37, “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and **lose his own soul**? Or what shall a man give in exchange for **his soul**?”

Heart and Reins:

Psalms 7:9, “Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the **hearts** and **reins**.”

Psalms 26:2, “Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my **reins** and my **heart**.”

Psalms 73:21, “Thus my **heart** was grieved, and I was pricked in my **reins**.”

Jeremiah 11:20, “But, O LORD of hosts, that judgest righteously, that triest the **reins** and the **heart**, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.”

Jeremiah 17:10, “I the LORD search the **heart**, I try the **reins**, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.”

Jeremiah 20:12, “But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, and seest the **reins** and the **heart**, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.”

Revelation 2:23, “And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the **reins** and **hearts**: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.”

Reins:

Isaiah 11:5, “And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his **reins**.”

Imagination – Heart:

Genesis 6:5, “And GOD saw that the **wickedness of man** was great in the earth, and that every **imagination** of the **thoughts** of his **heart** was only **evil continually**.”

Genesis 8:21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the **imagination** of man's **heart** is **evil** from his **youth**; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.”

1 Chronicles 29:17-19, “I know also, my God, that thou triest the **heart**, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine **heart** I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto thee. O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the **imagination** of the **thoughts** of the **heart** of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee: And give unto Solomon my son a **perfect heart**, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to do all these things, and to build the palace, for the which I have made provision.”

Jeremiah 7:24, “But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the **counsels** and in the **imagination** of their **evil heart**, and **went backward**, and not forward.”

Jeremiah 23:16-17, “Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of **their own heart**, and not out of the mouth of the LORD. They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that **walketh after the imagination of his own heart**, No evil shall come upon you.”

Out of the Heart:

Proverbs 4:23, “Keep thy **heart** with all diligence; for **out of it are the issues of life**.”

Matthew 12:33-37, “Either make **the tree good**, and **his fruit good**; or else make **the tree corrupt**, and **his fruit corrupt**: for **the tree is known by his fruit**. O generation of **vipers**, how can ye, **being evil**, **speak good things**? for out of the abundance of the **heart** the **mouth speaketh**. A **good** man out of the **good treasure of the heart** bringeth forth **good things**: and an **evil** man out of the **evil treasure** bringeth forth **evil things**. But I say unto you, That **every idle word** that men shall speak, they shall **give account thereof in the day of judgment**. For **by thy words thou shalt be justified**, and **by thy words thou shalt be condemned**.”

Matthew 15:17-20, “Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed **out of the mouth** come forth **from the heart**; and **they defile the man**. For **out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies**: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.”

Mark 7:18-23, “And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him; Because **it entereth not into his heart**, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats? And he said, That which cometh **out of the man**, that defileth the man. For **from within, out of the heart of men**, proceed **evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness**: All these evil things come **from within**, and defile the man.”

Luke 6:43-45, “For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. For **every tree is known by his own fruit**. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes. A **good** man out of the **good treasure of his heart** bringeth forth **that which is good**; and an **evil** man out of the **evil treasure of his heart** bringeth forth **that which is evil**: for of **the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh**.”

Proverbs 6:16-19, “These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A **proud look**, a **lying tongue**, and **hands that shed innocent blood**, An **heart that deviseth wicked imaginations**, **feet that be swift in running to mischief**, A **false witness that speaketh lies**, and **he that soweth discord among brethren**.”

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A Pure Heart:

1 Timothy 1:5-7, “Now the end of the commandment is **charity out of a pure heart**, and of a **good conscience**, and of **faith unfeigned**: From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling; Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.”

2 Timothy 2:22, “Flee also youthful lusts: but follow **righteousness, faith, charity, peace**, with them that **call on the Lord out of a pure heart**.”

The Innocent:

Exodus 23:7, “Keep thee far from a false matter; and the **innocent** and **righteous** slay thou not: for **I will not justify the wicked**.”

Deuteronomy 21:8-9, “Be merciful, O LORD, unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not **innocent** blood unto thy people of Israel's charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them. So shalt thou put away the guilt of **innocent** blood from among you, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD.”

Deuteronomy 27:25, “Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an **innocent** person. And all the people shall say, Amen.”

Job 33:9, “I am **clean without transgression, I am innocent; neither is there iniquity in me**.”

Psalms 106:34-40, “They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them: But were mingled among **the heathen**, and **learned their works**. And they **served their idols**: which were a **snare unto them**. Yea, they **sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils**, And **shed innocent blood**, even **the blood of their sons and of their daughters**, whom they sacrificed unto **the idols of Canaan**: and the land was polluted with blood. Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions. Therefore was **the wrath of the LORD** kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.”

If there is NO LAW then Sin is NOT imputed:

Romans 4:15, “Because the law worketh wrath: for **where no law is, there is no transgression.**”

Romans 5:13, “For until the law sin was in the world: but **sin is not imputed when there is no law.**”

The Law entered to show us that sin is exceedingly SINFUL as a schoolmaster:

Romans 5:20-21, “Moreover **the law entered, that the offence might abound.** But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: That as **sin hath reigned unto death**, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.”

Galatians 3:22-25, “But **the scripture hath concluded all under sin**, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. But **before faith came, we were kept under the law**, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore **the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ**, that we might be justified by faith. But **after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.**”

Romans 7:13, “Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But **sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.**”

Sin and the Law KILLED your spirit:

Romans 7:7-11, “What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not **known sin**, but **by the law**: for I had not **known** lust, **except the law had said**, Thou shalt not covet. But **sin, taking occasion by the commandment**, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For **without the law sin was dead**. For **I was alive without the law once**: but **when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died**. And **the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death**. For **sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me**.”

This is why you must be born again:

What part of you is Born Again? The spirit of man is the part that is born again because it is DEAD:

John 3:3, “Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

John 3:5-7, “Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be **born of water and of the Spirit**, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is **born of the flesh is flesh**; and that which is **born of the Spirit is spirit**. Marvel not that I said unto thee, **Ye must be born again**.”

1 Corinthians 6:17, “But he that is joined unto **the Lord is one spirit**.”

1 Peter 1:23-25, “Being **born again**, not of corruptible seed, but of **incorruptible, by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But **the word of the Lord endureth for ever**. And **this is the word** which by the gospel is preached unto you.”

1 John 3:9, “Whosoever is **born of God doth not commit sin**; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.”

1 John 5:18, “We know that **whosoever is born of God sinneth not**; but he that is **begotten of God keepeth himself**, and that wicked one toucheth him not.”

John 1:12-13, “But **as many as received him**, to them gave he power to become **the sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name: **Which were born**, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but **of God**.”

1 John 3:1-3, “Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be **called the sons of God**: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, **now are we the sons of God**, and it doth **not yet appear** what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, **we shall be like him**; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.”

What is Saved? The soul is the part that is saved:

Hebrews 10:39, “But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that **believe to the saving of the soul.**”

James 5:19-20, “Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one **convert** him; Let him know, that he which **converteth the sinner** from the error of his way shall **save a soul** from death, and **shall hide a multitude of sins.**”

The soul needs salvation because it is lost:

Psalms 35:3, “Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto **my soul**, I am **thy salvation.**”

Psalms 35:9, “And **my soul** shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in **his salvation.**”

Psalms 62:1, “Truly **my soul** waiteth upon God: from him cometh **my salvation.**”

Psalms 119:81, “**My soul** fainteth for **thy salvation**: but I hope in thy word.”

Isaiah 61:10, “I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, **my soul** shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the **garments of salvation**, he hath covered me with the **robe of righteousness**, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and **as a bride** adorneth herself with her jewels.”

1 Peter 1:9, “Receiving the end of your faith, even **the salvation of your souls.**”

Matthew 18:11, “For the Son of man is come to **save** that which was **lost.**”

Luke 19:10, “For the Son of man is come to seek and to **save** that which was **lost.**”

Where the soul is saved it is safe:

Proverbs 18:10, “The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is **safe.**”

Proverbs 29:25, “The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be **safe.**”

Luke 15:11-42, “And he said, A certain man had two sons: And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And **when he came to himself**, he said, How many hired servants of **my father's** have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! **I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.** And he arose, and **came to his father**. But when he was yet a great way off, **his father saw him**, and **had compassion**, and **ran**, and **fell on his neck**, and **kissed him**. And the son said unto him, **Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.** But **the father said** to his servants, **Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry: For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.** And they began to be merry. Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said unto him, **Thy brother is come;** and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because **he hath received him safe and sound**. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him. And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, **neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment**: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf. And **he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.** It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for **this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.**” The dead becomes alive a type of the spirit and that which is lost is found a type of the saving of the soul. The receiving him safe and sound is the resurrection of the body: he came home.

John 3:14-17, “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That **whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life**. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten

Son, **that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life**. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but **that the world through him might be saved**.”

Acts 2:21, “And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord **shall be saved**.”

Acts 4:10-12, “Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that **by the name of Jesus Christ** of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom **God raised from the dead**, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. **Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved**.”

Acts 16:30-31, “And brought them out, and said, Sirs, **what must I do to be saved?** And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved**, and thy house.”

Romans 5:8-10, “But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now **justified by his blood**, **we shall be saved from wrath** through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were **reconciled** to God **by the death of his Son**, much more, **being reconciled**, **we shall be saved by his life**.”

Romans 10:9-10, “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, **thou shalt be saved**. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made **unto salvation**.”

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Ephesians 2:5, “Even **when we were dead in sins**, hath **quicken**ed us together with Christ, (by grace **ye are saved**;)” The spirit was dead and needed quickening while the soul was lost and needed to be saved.

Ephesians 2:8-9, “For **by grace are ye saved through faith**; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”

Titus 3:5-7, “Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but **according to his mercy he saved us**, by the **washing** of **regeneration**, and **renewing** of the

Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That **being justified** by his grace, we should be **made heirs** according to the **hope of eternal life**.” The part that was saved is the soul; the washing of regeneration and renewing is the spirit and the hope of eternal life is the resurrection of the body.

The Body will be raised FROM the Dead:

Matthew 17:23, “And they shall kill him, and the third day **he shall be raised again**. And they were exceeding sorry.”

1 Corinthians 15:51-56, “Behold, **I shew you a mystery**; We shall not all sleep, but **we shall all be changed**, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last **trump**: for the trumpet shall sound, and **the dead shall be raised incorruptible**, and **we shall be changed**. For **this corruptible must put on incorruption**, and **this mortal must put on immortality**. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, **Death is swallowed up in victory**. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.”

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, “But **I would not have you to be ignorant**, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that **Jesus died and rose again**, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto **the coming of the Lord** shall not prevent them which are asleep. For **the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout**, with the voice of the archangel, and with **the trump of God**: and **the dead in Christ shall rise first**: Then **we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air**: and **so shall we ever be with the Lord**. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.”

Acts 4:1-2, “And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them, Being grieved that they taught the people, and **preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead**.”

Acts 3:15, “And killed the Prince of life, **whom God hath raised from the dead**; whereof we are witnesses.”

Acts 4:10, “Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, **whom God raised from the dead**, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.”

Romans 6:9, “**Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead** dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.”

Romans 7:4, “Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to **him who is raised from the dead**, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.”

Colossians 1:18, “And he is **the head of the body, the church**: who is the beginning, **the firstborn from the dead**; that in all things he might have the preeminence.”

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10, “For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye **turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God**; And to wait for his Son from heaven, **whom he raised from the dead**, even **Jesus**, which **delivered us from the wrath to come**.”

2 Timothy 2:8-10, “Remember that **Jesus Christ** of the seed of David **was raised from the dead** according to my gospel: Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.”

Romans 8:18-23, “For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with **the glory which shall be revealed in us**. For the earnest expectation of **the creature** waiteth for **the manifestation of the sons of God**. For **the creature** was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, Because **the creature itself** also shall be **delivered from the bondage of corruption** into **the glorious liberty of the children of God**. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, **which have the firstfruits of the Spirit**, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for **the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body**.”