

Revelation 20:12 By: David A. Sargent

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The book of the living: Every human being that has ever existed is written in this book, at the point of conception, with the warning of being blotted out. (Exodus 32:33) "And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, <u>him will I blot out of my book</u>."

The Lamb's Book of Life: During the Tribulation people that are saved are written in this book (Revelation 3:5) "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and **I** will <u>not blot out his name out of the book of life</u>, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels." The reverse would also be true that if they are NOT overcomers that their names WILL be blotted out of the book of life. This is also true of the Old Testament Saints.

One group this is not true of is the church of the born again who can NEVER have their names blotted out of the book of life because they are born of God.

In Revelation 20:12 - There are TWO distinct separate books. The evidence is in the passage: Revelation 20:12, "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." The phrase "...and another book was opened..." is just that another book not the same book as the books. There is ONE book of books and according to this these people are being judged out of those things which were written in the BOOKS, not the book of life. This would line up with John 12:48, "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." And the passage in Revelation is just that: "...the last day..." However, IF someone can have their name blotted OUT of the book of life and this book is the same book as the Bible: then God must also remove words from the Bible. That is just not happening. It is a different book that God can write names in and blot them out.

Everyone born in life and given life has their name in the book of life. Sin enters in by the law and kills the spirit and thus their name is blotted out of the book of life. This fact is overlooked in most theological undertakings, but it is true nevertheless. This is why ye must be born again. The Bible

says that death passed upon all men, it never says about anyone that you were born dead: yes you were born in sin, and death passed upon all men, but not because you were born in sin: Romans 5:12, "Wherefore, as **by one man sin entered into the world**, and **death by sin**; and **so death passed upon all men**, for that **all have sinned**:" Never said that we are born dead. Romans 5:13, "(For until the law sin was in the world: but **sin is not imputed when there is no law**." So death cannot be accounted where sin is not imputed: how can the "axe" fall in judgment where no guilt is established? Romans 5:14, "Nevertheless **death reigned from Adam** to Moses, even over them that **had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression**, who is the figure of him that was to come."

Death reigned from Adam to Moses EVEN over them that had NOT SINNED after the similar sin of Adam: willful disobedience! Romans 5:19, "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." So by one man's disobedience many were made dead at birth: is just what it did NOT say. What brought about the death and what died? Romans 5:20, "Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:" So the LAW entered that the offence might abound! Abound unto what? Romans 5:21, "That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord." Sin reigned and abound UNTO DEATH. So it is the law that slays our spirit but not birth; but in this life in sin when the law is understood. Sin reigns in our bodies and that is why children die PHYSICALLY. But the spirit MUST be alive (written in the book of life at birth) and the LAW slays the spirit at the age of accountability and the name gets blotted out of the book of life: why? Because ALL HAVE SINNED: but accountability happens when we KNOW the law against sin which makes us guilty: Romans 7:7, "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."

So what was sin to us without the knowledge of the law before we knew it? Romans 7:8, "But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead." So sin was dead without the law: before I knew the law I was ALIVE: a living spirit was in me as a child without the law and therefore sin was dead, because I did not know nor understand the law that was against me. However when the law came what happened: Romans 7:9, For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died." Sin was dead without the law and I was alive without the law: but when the commandment (the law) came, SIN revived: and became alive: and I DIED! So what died? The body? The soul? Or the spirit? Well it can't be the body or they would put you to bed with a shovel when the law killed you physically. This however happens physically but not at the age of accountability and not at birth in any spiritual sense, it can happen at any time. Sin reigns in our mortal bodies which is what kills them. However like the spiritual side or physical side does not DIE until it is DEAD even though DEATH passed unto all men. So our spiritual side is similar but is based on accountability to personal sin. It can't be the soul that dies here, because the soul dies when it separates from the body at the body's death and is put in hell for a lost man: later to be raised up in the second resurrection joined back to their flesh only to be cast into the lake of fire which is the second death of body and soul. The only thing left is that the spirit dies: at the time that the law revives and sin therefore revives killing the spirit. This allows for the soul to be married to another when the person receives Jesus Christ then Jesus Christ becomes the new man inside that gives new life to our spirit and makes us born again: so the Spirit merges with our spirit that was dead in trespasses and sins and quickens our dead spirit in the new birth. This new man or our born again spirit then is married to our soul; the "you" inside. Then the Spirit of God takes a sharp two edged sword and cuts our flesh from our soul in an operation of God called the spiritual circumcision made without hands. This is

when your name is rewritten in the book of life in the blood of Jesus Christ and it can NEVER be removed.

The fact that in the passage this death of the spirit happens at the age of accountability is different for everyone as far as when it happens: the age when a child understands that he is a sinner before God and is sinful. He does not have to have or understand the biblical terminology about it; God knows when this happens. The child can know that Mom or Dad said don't touch that and then they ask if he did this or that (the thing they told him not to do), and the boy answers NO, when he DID; and lies about doing what he KNEW to be WRONG: and feels guilty for the first time: which is why he lied! The axe drops on that spirit and he is no longer innocent before God: he is a guilty sinner: sin is imputed to him; and he is now charged for his sin; but judgment is not executed physically yet; however it IS executed spiritually: ergo, his spirit DIES. This could happen as early as 3 and as late as 13; the age is not written in stone. The question is not when this happens but that it happens: because it is going to happen because we are all born in sin. The trouble is that a child sins unknowingly until the law is understood which usually happens after the fact. Which is why a child will lie to get out of facing any repercussions from knowing that he did something wrong: this is GUILT which is the evidence of a dead spirit. When a child comes to a guilty conscience they will be more inclined to privacy than they were while they were in innocence. Just like Adam and Eve knew they were naked, so a child after this manner will also be guilty and realize their need to cover up their shame. This also has a lot to do with why they lie when they are caught red handed.

God deals with people through the ages of time differently. King Saul had the Holy Spirit and LOST it, and NEVER got back with God. His name was in the Book of Life, and was BLOTTED OUT! Samson had the Holy Spirit and LOST it, and REGAINED it in the end. His name was in the Book of life, was blotted out and RESTORED! Before the Law sin is NOT imputed where there is no law... God is not a wicked tyrant! Romans 5:13, "For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law." This means God does not hold people guilty where there is NO LAW, or where there is an incapability of understanding the law. This means Children that are innocent that die before the time while still innocent, are not held accountable for sin, or sins. God has MERCY and GRACE and they still have an innocent living spirit, soul & body. It is the spirit part of man that gets him to heaven and that is why the Bible says ye must be born again: because all have sinned and come short of the glory of God: it is not Adam's sin that you are held accountable for: you do not die because someone else sinned: you die because YOU are a sinner and because YOU have SINNED before a HOLY GOD. IT IS YOUR FAULT not Adam's. You cannot blame the devil or Adam or you parents or anyone else for you own dirty rotten sins. God will hold YOU accountable. Therefore the child or anyone still in innocence has not been blotted out of the book of life and will pass through the Great White Throne Judgment.

If you subscribe to the lie that people are saved in the Old Testament the same as in the New then there would be no real reason for the New Testament because the Old Testament was good enough. Fact is the Old Testament never made anyone perfect: while the New Testament DOES. Hebrews 12:23-24, "To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel." Notice the written in HEAVEN. A reference to the Book of Life which is NOT ON EARTH: it is IN HEAVEN.

If every person is written in the book it would have to be the book of life. And once they know the law and are accountable to this law (God holds them as guilty) **they spiritually DIE! They are blotted OUT of the book of life**. In the New Testament during the Church age, salvation is based on

Christ's sacrifice alone. This is the only way to be RESTORED to the book of life in this age. The book of the living is the book of life. This is the same book. This accounts for Eternal Security. Because we are REWRITTEN INTO the book of life by the BLOOD of JESUS CHRIST; THAT'S PERMANENT INK! We are given the gift of eternal life because we are washed in the blood. The church or the body of Christ does not come up for judgment at the white throne judgment. We are a separate group of the sons of God. The judgment seat of Christ is only for Christians and NOT for anyone else. No other saints will come up at this judgment. They will come up at the great white throne judgment. These two judgments are separated by a thousand years. The children in innocence will be resurrected and go to the place of the innocent in heaven, where all the innocent go from the beginning to the end of the old heaven and earth. These innocent will make it through the Great White Throne judgment. Their names are still in the book of life and their lives would be lived only in innocence and when judged out of the Books, there will be nothing to hold them guilty, which is what innocence is: guiltless. Why would God kill the spirit of the guiltless innocent? Sin kills the spirit and if their sin is NOT imputed to them they are yet alive and in the Book of Life.

The OTHER book shows up during the Great White Throne Judgment. This is where all the people NOT in the body of Christ will be judged. Children will show up here and PASS THROUGH THIS JUDGMENT! The other book is the Bible. It is the BOOKS that are opened. And the dead were judged out of the books... Revelation 20:12, "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." The New Testament starts with "The book" this is "Βιβλος" in Greek which is the word Biblos where we get the name of the Bible from. The Bible is a complication of 66 books; which means that the word Bible (not the Greek word) in English is a plural word in a singular form. Like the word Godhead. The Bible contains the LAW of God as well as the GRACE of God! It has everything whereby God will judge mankind. No other book can be this "books" in Revelation where the dead were judged out of those things which were written in **the books** according to their works. This judgment is NOT for the Church of the born again believers, the Bride of Christ. That judgment for sin happened on the Cross of Christ for the church age believers! We are sons of God and our judgment at the Judgment Seat of Christ will happen sooner where we are judged as servants of the Most High God and as sons of God.

There are only two books: one is the Bible "the books" and the other is the book of life. The book of life is up in heaven and never been down here on earth.

What we have to deal with is that fact that we are NOT born with a dead spirit. It is very much alive: Romans 7:9, "For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died." This is the issue when the soul is accountable for the sins of the flesh revealed to him by the law that kills his spirit. This means everyone is written in the book of life but once the commandment came, sin revived and we DIE spiritually and we are blotted OUT of the book of life. The only way to get put back in is to do what God said to do for YOU during the time of your life. In this present church age the only way to get your name back in the book of life is by the BLOOD of Christ. This agrees with the total Biblical references to this book of life or book of the living or any book that anyone is written in or blotted out of. If this verse is true: Psalms 119:89, "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven." Then God is not blotting words out of the Bible to get rid of name that are written in it.

What is the Book of Life:

Revelation 20:12, "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and <u>another book</u> was opened, which is <u>the book of life</u>: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."

Blotted out the name out of the Book (of life or of the living or under heaven):

Exodus 32:32-33, "Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and <u>if not</u>, <u>blot me</u>, I pray thee, <u>out of thy book</u> which thou hast written. And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, <u>him will I blot out of my book</u>." How do you get blotted out of this book if you are NOT in it?

Deuteronomy 9:14, "Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and **blot out their name from under heaven**: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they." They get their names blotted out while they are down here under heaven. This is not saying that the book is under heaven. The people getting blotted out are under heaven.

Deuteronomy 25:19, "Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that **thou shalt blot out the remembrance** of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget it." This is not God blotting out someone from the book of life; but there is a possible reference to it. The book of remembrance and the book of life have some commonality to them.

Deuteronomy 29:20, "The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven." Once again the blotting out of the name: is the name under heaven that gets blotted out, or is the blotting out under heaven? It is the name that is under heaven that gets blotted out, but the book is IN HEAVEN. Luke 10:20, "Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." So the "from under heaven" is not where they are written, but where they are located when they are written or blotted out, they are under heaven.

2 Kings 14:27, "And the LORD said **not** that he would **blot out the name of Israel from under heaven:** but **he saved them** by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash." The blotting out of the names of Israel from under heaven can also be a reference to dying physically. And the term saved can also be applied to a physical salvation or an escaping from physical death. To save alive, etc. Joshua 2:13, "And that ye will **save alive** my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and **deliver our lives from death**." This is in an obvious physical sense.

Psalms 69:18-29, "Draw nigh unto <u>my soul</u>, and <u>redeem it</u>: <u>deliver me</u> because of mine enemies. Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all before thee. <u>Reproach hath broken my heart</u>; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none. <u>They gave me also gall for my meat</u>; and <u>in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink</u>. Let their table become a <u>snare</u> before them: and that which should have been for their welfare, let it become a <u>trap</u>. Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake. Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them. Let their habitation be desolate; and let none dwell in their tents. For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded. Add iniquity unto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy righteousness.

Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous. But I am poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high."

Psalms 109:13, "Let his posterity be cut off; and in the generation following let **their name be blotted out**."

Revelation 3:5, "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and <u>I will not blot</u> <u>out his name out of the book of life</u>, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels."

The blotting out of sin:

Nehemiah 4:5, "And cover not their iniquity, and <u>let not their sin be blotted out</u> from before thee: for they have provoked thee to anger before the builders."

Psalms 109:14, "Let <u>the iniquity of his fathers be remembered</u> with the LORD; and <u>let not the sin</u> <u>of his mother be blotted out.</u>"

Isaiah 43:25, "I, even I, am he **that blotteth out thy transgressions** for mine own sake, and will **not** remember thy sins."

Isaiah 44:22, "<u>I have blotted out</u>, as a thick cloud, <u>thy transgressions</u>, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for <u>I have redeemed thee</u>."

Jeremiah 18:23, "Yet, LORD, thou knowest all their counsel against me to slay me: forgive not their iniquity, **neither blot out their sin from thy sight**, but let them be overthrown before thee; deal thus with them in the time of thine anger."

Acts 3:19, "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, **that your sins may be blotted out**, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;"

Colossians 2:14, "<u>Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances</u> that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;"

Names are IN the Book of Life:

Philippians 4:3, "And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life." How did their names get IN the book of life? How did they get LIFE? 1 John 5:11-13.

Revelation 21:27, "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but **they which are written in the Lamb's book of life**." How did these get WRITTEN in the book of life? Are they living or dead? 1 John 5:11-13.

Names are NOT IN the Book of Life:

Revelation 13:8, "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." This is NOT saying that their names are not in the book of life from the foundation of the world. The Lamb

existed before the foundation of the world, but from and before are two very different words. The Lamb is Jesus Christ the Word of God who was before all things and made all things. This is in reference to Him being from the foundation of the world. Jesus Christ was not slain prior to the foundation of the world; however God's foreknowledge accounts for this, which is NOT what this is saying at all. The English Bible is written in English and as such there are clauses in the sentences which must be understood. The clauses in the above passage explain the last clause: "...from the foundation of the world." So here is the verse with the clause divisions: 1st Clause: "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him..." 2nd Clause: "...whose names are not written..." 3rd Clause: "...in the book of life..." 4th Clause: "...of the Lamb slain..." 5th Clause: "...from the foundation of the world." So we see that the book of life existed from the foundation of the world, and it was not the names written or not written, neither was it the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. The book of life was from the foundation of the world. So that all the living that were born were placed in the book when they became alive. So this says "...whose names are NOT written in the book of life..." Which is the lie that the beast will propagate during the tribulation.

Revelation 17:8, "The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is." Once again, it is the book of life that existed from the foundation of the world and not the names written or they were not "not" written back then. Or it would have to read: "...whose names were not written from the foundation of the world in the book of life..." Which it does NOT say! Learn English. This is also a lie that is taught by the beast during the tribulation to deceive the people to take the mark. It is the Calvinistic Theology of predestined to heaven or hell because you are either one of the elect or you are not. This lie will deceive most people to think that they were NOT in the elect because they did not go up at the rapture and were left behind. So they will be deceived to think there is no hope now. That is one of the many wonders that will follow the beast, because he will also have risen from the dead.

One last thought is that there is a book taken out of the hand of the one that sat on the throne that was sealed with seven seals: Revelation 5:1, "And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals." And Revelation 5:5, "And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof." Notice that the Lamb did not take this book, the Lion did! Also the question is what book is this book? The obvious answer to this is that it is the book of Revelation which has the opening of the seven seals IN IT. But Revelation is a Book of revealing's, not a book of sealing's. What book in the Bible was SEALED? It is Daniel: Daniel 9:24, "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy." (Daniel 9:24-27) and Daniel 12:4, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." So Revelation is the unsealing of Daniel. The book taken was Daniel and the seals were broken in Revelation. This book referred to in Revelation is not the whole Bible. Nor is it the Book of Life. The Bible is not the Book of Life: it is the Book of Life and Death: Deuteronomy 30:15, "See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;" and Deuteronomy 30:19, "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore **choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may **live**:" and Ezekiel 18:32, "For I have no pleasure in the **death** of him that **dieth**, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and **live** ye." And Ezekiel 33:11, "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil

ways; for why will ye <u>die</u>, O house of Israel?" and Numbers 35:31, "Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the <u>life</u> of a murderer, which is guilty of <u>death</u>: but he shall be surely put to <u>death</u>." And Job 7:15, "So that my soul chooseth strangling, and <u>death</u> rather than my <u>life</u>." Shall I go on?

Psalms 78:50, "He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from **death**, but gave their life over to the pestilence;"

Proverbs 11:19, "As righteousness tendeth to <u>life</u>: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own **death**."

Proverbs 12:28, "In the way of righteousness is <u>life</u>; and in the pathway thereof there is no <u>death</u>."

Proverbs 13:14, "The law of the wise is a fountain of <u>life</u>, to depart from the snares of <u>death</u>."

Proverbs 14:27, "The fear of the LORD is a fountain of <u>life</u>, to depart from the snares of <u>death</u>."

Proverbs 18:21, "**Death** and **life** are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."

Jeremiah 8:3, "And <u>death</u> shall be chosen rather than <u>life</u> by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts."

Jeremiah 21:8, "And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of **life**, and the way of **death**."

Isn't that CLEAR: The Bible tells us: "...I set before you the way of <u>life</u>, and the way of <u>death</u>." The Lord said that in the Bible. So the Bible is the book of life and death. Not just a book of life. The Book of LIFE has the dead blotted out of it so that there is NO DEAD IN IT or it would not be the book of LIFE.

Revelation 20:15, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Names will be found written in the book of life: one such group would be the innocence of life. Babies that have physically died either naturally, or by the hands of mankind through abortion, or by the hand of God; or any person who never became mentally old enough to distinguish between right and wrong; good or bad; righteousness or wickedness. Some people are born with defects that disallow them to know the law; and thereby retain their innocence to their older ages. These pass through this judgment because their spirit never died; and they were never blotted out of the book of life.

Revelation 22:19, "And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Looks like here the name is still in the book of life, but they lose their inheritance in such a complete way so as to lose their place in the holy city. But perhaps when his part is taken out, the name is included. After all: this book is for the most part during the tribulation and not the church age. Perhaps a Bible corrector should at any rate, take heed to this warning.

Conclusion:

- 1. The book of life is the book of the living which you can be blotted out of:
 - a. Exodus 32:33
 - b. Psalms 69:28
 - c. Revelation 13:8
 - d. Revelation 17:8
- 2. The book of life is in heaven not on earth:
 - a. Luke 10:20

- b. Hebrews 12:23
- 3. The book of life is NOT the Bible:
 - a. Names can be blotted out: Psalms 69:28
 - b. Names can be not written back in: Revelation 13:8; 17:8
 - c. The book of life is in heaven: Hebrews 12:23
- 4. If a person's spirit dies or become dead: then you are blotted out of the book of life because you are dead before God:
 - a. Romans 7:8-11
 - b. Revelation 20:12
 - c. Matthew 22:32
 - d. Mark 12:27
 - e. Luke 20:38
- 5. Dead people (spiritually dead) can bury **their** dead people (physically dead):
 - a. Matthew 8:21-22
 - b. Luke 9:59-62
- 6. It is the Spirit that quickeneth the spirit which must happen before physical death:
 - a. John 6:63
 - b. John 3:6
 - c. 1 Corinthians 6:17
 - d. 2 Corinthians 3:17
 - e. 1 Corinthians 15:46-49
- 7. There is a natural body and there is a spiritual body which is similar to a natural man and a spiritual man but not the same. In the first case it is a body on both accounts in the second case it is the spirit on both accounts. A man with a dead spirit is not spiritual towards God:
 - a. 1 Corinthians 15:44-46
 - b. 1 Corinthians 2:14

Conclusion: Jesus Christ had a quickening spirit: 1 Corinthians 15:45, "And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit." Which was God IN HIM: John 4:24, "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." And 2 Corinthians 5:19, "To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation." However physically Jesus Christ was born in sin like all of us yet without sin. Romans 8:3, "For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:" His spirit could NOT die! So his flesh could NOT sin even though is was LIKE our sinful flesh. He had the same Adamic flesh we have, but never fell by choice into sin. If everyone was born dead and not in the book of life, this would include Jesus Christ; as He also had on him sinful flesh. Do not be confused by the term "sinful flesh". That does not mean that Jesus Christ was a sinner any more than a child in innocence is a sinner. They have sinful flesh also. But sin is only accounted to the person who sins with knowledge and with that knowledge comes reparation for their own personal sin. The axe cannot fall on the innocent. Jesus Christ remained Holy and Righteous, but if his flesh was immortal then he would not have been able to die. He was physically mortal which means his flesh was Adamic. Jesus Christ did not become immortal until after the resurrection.

The book of life is the book of the living. People who have been born in the land of the living are alive and in the book of life; yet once innocence is taken and they have the knowledge of their own personal accountability their spirit dies before God and they are guilty. Their name is blotted out of the book of life. They MUST be born again. Once a person is born again, his name is again written in the book of life in the Blood of Jesus Christ.

The idea that "if a child is in innocence and in the book of life, then let's kill all the children so they can go to heaven" is satanic and sinful. Just because you cannot reconcile your Calvinistic crap to the Bible does not mean you need to start killing children. Only Calvin would stoop so low; after all he was a tyrannical villain who killed people that disagreed with him just like Rome. Numbers 32:23, "But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out." The fact is some people were blotted OUT of the book of life: Psalms 69:28, "Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous." People cannot be blotted out of the book of the living if they were not in it to begin with. And there are people that are IN the book of life as New Testament Saved people: Philippians 4:3, "And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life." How did they get their names back in the book of life? And during the tribulation you can have your name placed in the book of life and then removed again as it is not permanent. Revelation 3:5, "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels." You must be an overcomer during the Tribulation time. The bottom line is: Revelation 20:15, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." This is inclusive of all people of all times but ONE group and that is the Body of Christ (the Church) which is Jesus Christ's Bride. She is likened to a city where only people that are in the book of life may enter in. Revelation 21:27, "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life." But that would include anyone in the book of life, not just the Church. However it is the Body of Christ's HOME and no one else.

If you have passed from Death to Life what constitutes that life? What was dead that was made alive? If you were blotted out of the book of life because of your sin; what gets you back into the book of life during the Church Age? John 5:24, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." If you are an enemy of God then you were dead to God. Romans 5:10, "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." Yet by the death of His Son you were reconciled and saved by His Life which is ETERNAL Life. Adam's sin did not make you sin; nor did it make you dead. If you were born dead the birth doctor would have sent you to the morgue and then they would have had your funeral and planted you in the dirt. You were born ALIVE: you were IN the book of the living. Nevertheless by Adam's sin death reigned: is this death physical? Or is it spiritual? Romans 5:17, "For if by one man's offence **death reigned** by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ." It is both; but where there is innocence there is no spiritual death. A child in innocence that dies physically is not dead spiritually. Romans 4:15, "Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression." And Romans 5:13, "For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law." So even though sin was in the world and death because of sin the innocent can die, including Jesus Christ. However when a person gets of age then they die spiritually: Romans 7:9, "For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died." He was in the book of life, but when the commandment came, sin revived and he died spiritually. It was NOT his body dying and it was not his soul; so it must have been his spirit that died. Again in Romans 7:11, "For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me." He was alive before and sin deceived Paul and slew him; ok, what got slain? The body, soul or spirit? It is the spirit that dies at the age of accountability and that is when your name is blotted out of the book of life. Why? Because you are DEAD to God. You will DIE in your sins and your soul ends up in Hell Fire and Damnation, and

eventually goes into the Lake of Fire which is the SECOND DEATH! But God made a way for you to escape from this: Romans 5:21, "That as **sin** hath **reigned** unto **death**, even so might **grace reign** through **righteousness** unto **eternal life** by Jesus Christ our Lord." Sin may have reigned unto the death of your spirit; but grace reigns unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord: you MUST receive HIM. Your spirit must be born again for you to be rewritten into the book of life.

Then like Christ was raised up from the dead we are to walk in newness of life: Romans 6:4, "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into **death**: that like as Christ was **raised up from** the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." Because we are not trusting in our own self-righteousness because that only works sin in us and the wages of sin is to be taken out of the book of life: Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." However the gift of God is eternal life: and you can be rewritten back in; so the law was ordained to life, but it shows that you cannot life it; and it results in your spiritual death: Romans 7:10, "And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death." But thank God that the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus freed me from the law of sin and death: Romans 8:2, "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." The Christian die before the time if they are consumed by the carnal mind: Romans 8:6, "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Practicing being spiritually minded will counteract the carnal mind so that we can manifest the life of Jesus in our mortal flesh: 2 Corinthians 4:11, "For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh." And others will see our lives and want what we have: True Joy in the Lord! Then one day we will see him and see who it was that abolished death and brought life and immortality to us: 2 Timothy 1:10, "But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:"

You should KNOW that you have eternal life: 1 John 5:13, "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." If you do NOT know; then you are calling God a liar. If you have passed from DEATH to LIFE, then your name was blotted OUT of the book of life: Psalms 69:28, "Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous." And it got REWRITTEN back in: 1 John 3:14, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death."

