A hand holding a quill pen is the central focus, set against a background of aged parchment. The parchment is covered with faint, ghostly cursive text, likely representing the text of Paul's letter to the Romans. The lighting is warm and focused on the hand and the tip of the quill.

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE Romans

Life in His death...

- The Picture of Baptism - #1
 - Baptized into - His death
 - Glory of the Father (vs. 4)
 - Newness of Life...
 - How sure are we of death/life of Jesus?
 - Do we really KNOW this (vs. 3)

Buried for a reason...

- If you are dead in Him, & He is raised
- Then you are raised with Him...
- Glory again... of the Father!
- Why live in sin anymore???
- "Newness of life" vs. 4

Beyond the grave...

- If 'you' dies, then 'you' ARE raised...
 - Newness of life – continually...
 - Note the “if” condition....
 - It is our faith life in Jesus that activates it
 - “united with the likeness” vs. 5
 - His death... His resurrection...
 - Same relationship to sin as He has...?!

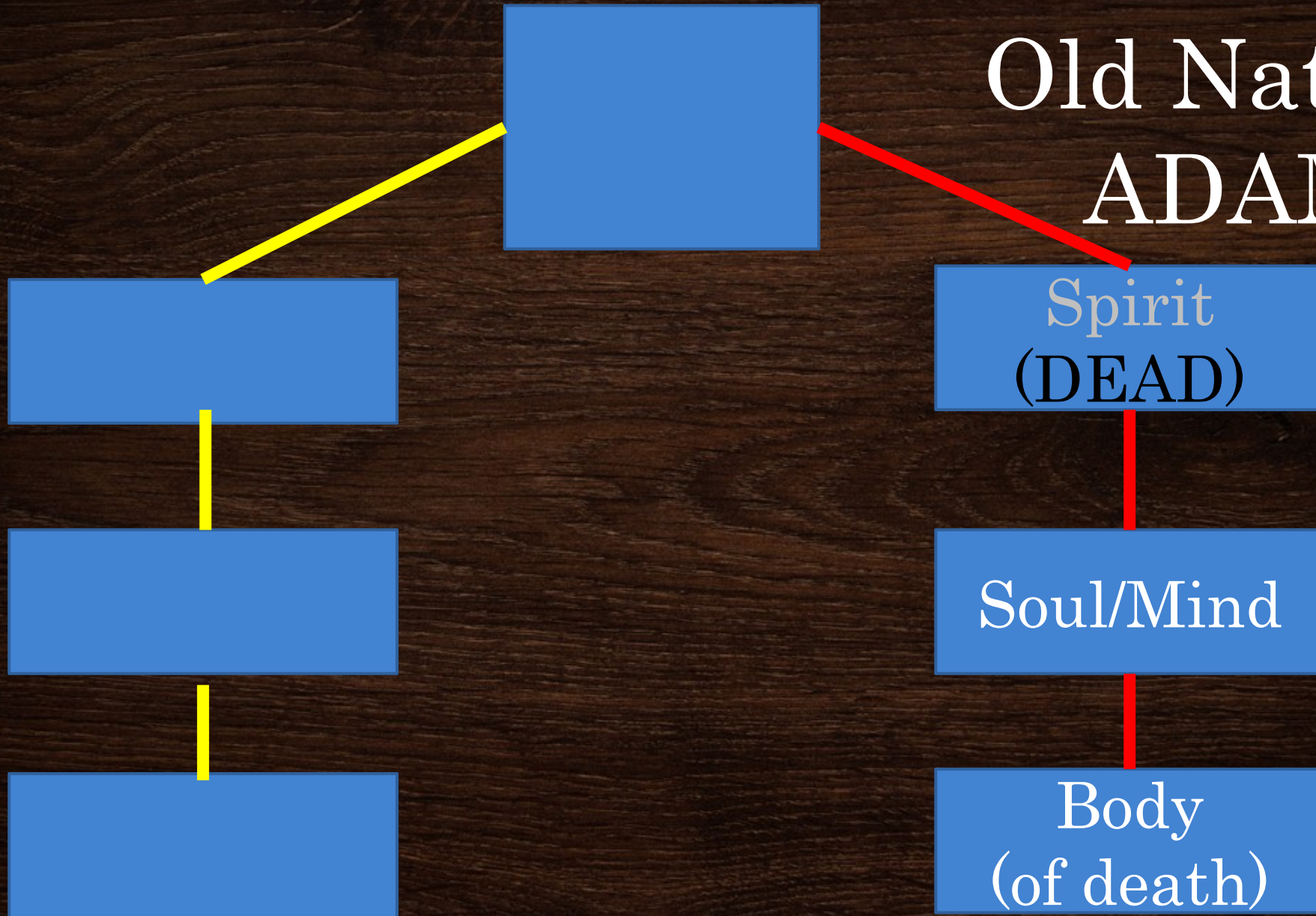
Ok, so how...

- Knowing – present active, *gnosis*
 - Old self; old man; sin nature; Adam nature
 - “was crucified with Him” – dead is dead
 - ‘body of sin’ *what is this?*
 - “done away with” – *katargeo* - idle, inactive, inoperative
 - No death, no resurrection!
 - Slaves to sin... no freedom, just bondage!

- Godet:

- This old man *has been crucified* so far as the believer is concerned in the very person of Christ crucified. The apostle does not say that He has been *killed*. He may exist still, but like one crucified, whose *activity is paralyzed*.

Old Nature ADAM



Liberation...

- If we die ~ liberty in CHRIST
- Vs. 7 ~ no question about it! Dead!
- BUT ~ it does not stop there...
 - Many people stop here...
 - If you die with Christ ~ we believe ~
 - Constant state/relationship - Get it yet?

Ok, so how... vs. 9

- As He lives, we live....
- Knowing #2 ~ perfect active *gnosis*
 - Christ has been raised!
 - Never to die again
 - Death is no longer master over Him..
 - *kurieuo* - dominion, rule, have power over

If you died... vs. 10

- Final state for “flesh”
- ...but ~ the “inner life” new man lives!
- And so the Battle of Faith...
 - Who rules you?
 - What mind set?
 - What about the Body?

NEW Nature
JESUS

WILL
(Heart)

Old Nature
ADAM

Spirit
(ALIVE)

Spirit
(DEAD)

Soul/Mind

Soul/Mind

Body
(of Spirit)

Body
(of death)

