

The Soul Man

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The Soul Man

- Objective
- The objective of this lesson is for each student to:
  - Comprehend the make up of the human person, especially the soul
  - Identify the relationship of the soul to the spirit and body
  - Understand the major functions of the soul
  - Calculate the damage of "the fall" to the soul
  - Perceive the impact of the new birth upon the soul
  - Apply Biblical stewardship over the soul
  - Align the soul with the new man
  - Experience a continual and regular flow of the "God Life"

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The Soul Man

- Syllabus
- I Review from Spirit Man
- II Identify the Origin of the Soul
- III Define the Soul
- IV Management of the Soul
- V Spirit and Soul Alignment
- VI The Renewed Soul

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### The Soul Man

- Review of the Spirit Man
  - Conscious – The discerning organ by spontaneous direct judgment. It does not bend to outside opinions. If man should do wrong it will raise its voice of accusation. Acts 23: 1; 1 Ti 1: 5, 19; Heb 13: 18; 1 Pet 3: 16, 21
  - Intuition – It is the sensing organ of the human spirit. It involves a direct sensing independent of outside influences. It is that knowledge that comes to us without any help from the mind, emotions or volition. Mk 2: 5, 8; 1 Cor 2: 11
  - Communion – This is the spiritual capacity by which we communicate with and worship God. God is not apprehended by our thoughts, feelings or intentions for He is only known directly in our spirits. Lk 1: 47; Jn 4: 23; 1 Cor 6: 17

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### The Origin of the Soul

- The Intangible man has come from God Almighty.
  - Job 33:4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.
  - Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.
- Three words describe the coming forth of man
  - Created - Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.
  - Made -Gen 5:1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;
  - Formed - Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

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### Define the Soul

- OT:5315 (nephš) life, soul, creature, person, appetite, and mind are the more common of the twenty-some varieties of meaning utilized in KJV.
- “ Includes soul, mind, life, person, inclination, self (as a reflexive pronoun)”. It is common in language for a bodily part or organ to take on emotional or spiritual meanings, cf. "heart" in both Hebrew and English. Most of the KJV variants referred to are... creature, "living thing, or "heart, pleasure, desire, lust, discontent, " and "will."

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### Define the Soul

- The soul is self consciousness
- The soul is often the subconscious
- The soul is the seat and essence of our personality
- Our humanity is expressed in the soul
- The elements which make us human is belong to the soul; intellect, thought, ideals, emotions, discernment, choice, decisions etc are all but various experiences of the soul
- The soul is the place of mergence between the spirit and the body.  
Gen 12: 5; 46: 27

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### 3 Main Faculties of the Soul

- Volition – The instrument of our decisions, revealing our power to choose. It expresses our willingness or unwillingness: we will or we won't. Without it, man is reduced to an automaton or robot.
  - Ps 27:12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.
  - Ps 41:2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.
  - Deut 21:14 14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her.

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### 3 Main Faculties of the Soul

- Mind – The instrument for our thoughts, manifest our intellectual power. Out of this arises wisdom, knowledge and reasoning. The lack of it makes man foolish and dull.
  - Prov 19:2 Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet sinneth.
  - Prov 2:10 When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;
  - Ps 139:14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

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### 3 Main Faculties of the Soul

- Emotion – The instrument of our likes and dislikes is our emotions. Through it, we are able to express the emotions associated with love or hate and to feel joy, anger, sadness etc. Any shortage of it will render man as insensitive as wood or stone. There are emotions of affection, desire and feeling/sensing.
  - Affection: 1 Sam 18:1; Song 1: 7; Lk 1: 46
  - Desire: Ps 84: 2; Ps 42: 1; Matt 12: 18
  - Feeling and Sensing: 1 Sam 30: 6; 2 Kings 4: 27 Amp; John 12: 27; 2 Pt 2: 8

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Rom 12:2
- And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- Titus 3:5
- 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;
- NT:342 anakainosis (an-ak-ah'-ee-no-sis); from NT:341; renovation:
- KJV - renewing.

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Imagination
- Thought
- Reasoning
- Knowledge/Logic
- Intellect

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### Merismos of the Mind

• Imagination

- Rom 1:21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.
- NT:1261 dialogismos (dee-al-og-is-mos'); from NT:1260; discussion, i.e. (internal) consideration (by implication, purpose), or (external) debate:
- KJV - dispute, doubtful (-ing), imagination, reasoning, thought.

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### Merismos of the Mind

• Imagination

- 2 Cor 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
- NT:3053 logismos (log-is-mos'); from NT:3049; computation, i.e. (figuratively) reasoning (conscience, conceit):
- KJV - imagination, thought.

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### Merismos of the Mind

• Thought

- 2 Cor 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
- NT:3540 noema (no'-ay-mah); from NT:3539; a perception, i.e. purpose, or (by implication) the intellect, disposition, itself:
- KJV - device, mind, thought.

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Thought
  - Heb 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.
  - NT:1761 enthumesis (en-thoo'-may-sis); from NT:1760; deliberation:
  - KJV - device, thought.

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Reasoning
  - Mark 2:8 And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?
  - NT:1260 dialogizomai (dee-al-og-id'-zom-ah-ee); from NT:1223 and NT:3049; to reckon thoroughly, i.e. (genitive case) to deliberate (by reflection or discussion):
  - KJV - cast in mind, consider, dispute, muse, reason, think.

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Knowledge/Logic
  - 1 Cor 8:1 Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.
  - NT:1108 gnosis (gno'-sis); from NT:1097; knowing (the act), i.e. (by implication) knowledge:
  - KJV - knowledge, science.

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### Merismos of the Mind

- Intellect
  - 1 Thess 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
  - NT:3056
  - logos (log'-os); from NT:3004; something said (including the thought); by implication a topic (subject of discourse), also reasoning (the mental faculty) or motive; by extension, a computation;

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### Merismos of the Will

- Decision
- Choice
- Purpose
- Intent
- Desire

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### Merismos of the Will

- Decision
  - 1 Kings 20:38-40 So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and disguised himself with ashes upon his face.
  - 39 And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king: and he said, Thy servant went out into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man unto me, and said, Keep this man: if by any means he be missing, then shall thy life be for his life, or else thou shalt pay a talent of silver.
  - 40 And as thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone. And the king of Israel said unto him, So shall thy judgment be; thyself hast decided it.

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### Merismos of the Will

- OT:2782
- charats (khaw-rats'); a primitive root; properly, to point sharply, i.e. (literally) to wound; figuratively, to be alert, to decide:
- KJV - bestirself, decide, decree, determine, maim, move.

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### Merismos of the Will

- Decision
- 1 Cor 2:2
- For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified...
- krino (kree'-no); properly, to distinguish, i.e. decide (mentally or judicially); by implication, to try, condemn, punish:
- KJV - avenge, conclude, condemn, damn, decree, determine, esteem, judge, go to (sue at the) law, ordain, call in question, sentence to, think.

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### Merismos of the Will

Choice

Josh 24:15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

OT:977 bachar (baw-khar'); a primitive root; properly, to try, i.e. (by implication) select:

KJV - acceptable, appoint, choose (choice), excellent, join, be rather, require.

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### Merismos of the Will

- Purpose
  - Eccl 3:1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
  - OT:2656 chephets (khay'-fets); from OT:2654; pleasure; hence (abstractly) desire; concretely, a valuable thing; hence (by extension) a matter (as something in mind):
  - KJV - acceptable, delight (-some), desire, things desired, matter, pleasant (-ure), purpose, willingly.

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### Merismos of the Will

- Intent
  - Acts 9:21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?
  - NT:5124 touto (too'-to); neuter singular nominative or accusative case of NT:3778; that thing:
  - KJV - here [-unto], it, partlyself, [-same], so, that (intent), the same, there [-fore, -unto], this, thus, where [-fore].

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### Merismos of the Will

- Intent
  - 1 Cor 10:6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.
  - NT:1519 eis (ice); a primary preposition; to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time, or (figuratively) purpose (result, etc.); also in adverbial phrases:

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### Merismos of the Will

- Intent
- Eph 3:10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
- NT:2443 hina (hin'-ah); probably from the same as the former part of NT:1438 (through the demonstrative idea; compare NT:3588); in order that (denoting the purpose or the result):
- KJV - albeit, because, to the intent (that), lest, so as, (so) that, (for) to. Compare NT:3363.

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### Merismos of the Will

- Desire
- Ps 10:3 For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the covetous, whom the LORD abhorreth.
- OT:8378 ta'avah (tah-av-aw'); from OT:183 (abbreviated); a longing; by implication, a delight (subjectively, satisfaction, objectively, a charm):
- KJV - dainty, desire, exceedingly, greedily, lust (ing), pleasant.

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### Merismos of the Will

- Desire
- Ps 73:25 Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee.
- Desire
- Rom 15:23 But now having no more place in these parts, and having a great desire these many years to come unto you;

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### Merismos of the Emotions

- Emotion
  - An affective state of consciousness in which expressions associated with love, joy, sorrow, fear, hate or the like is experienced, as distinguished from the cognitive and volitional states of consciousness.
  - Such expressions may occur as a result of may be the result of physical stimuli as heat or cold, etc.
  - Such expressions may come from identifying with someone else in their joy or their distress.
  - Such expressions may come from internal trauma; contemporary or long term

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### Merismos of the Emotions

- Emotions
  - Heb 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.
  - NT:4834 *sumpatheo* (soom-path-eh'-o); from NT:4835; to feel "sympathy" with, i.e. (by implication) to commiserate:

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### Merismos of the Emotions

- Jer 4:19 My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart; my heart maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.
- Phil 1:8 For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.
- Phil 2:1 If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,
- KJV

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### Merismos of the Emotions

- Col 3:12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;
- Philem 7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.
- Philem 12 Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:
- Philem 20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.
- 1 John 3:17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

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