

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
  - 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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