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Heaven and Hell

Lesson 2

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In Lesson one we began our look on what the Bible says about Heaven and about Hell although we really have not touched upon it yet. We need to lay some strong biblical foundations to understand from the word of God that the Lord intends for us to live forever. And we will live forever somewhere, we are establishing from the word of God the fact that there is more to life than this life.

We saw from the Bible that God is a trinity, when God made man in His image, He, therefore, made man a trinity, a spirit and a soul and body; we established in lesson one that you live inside that body that people see when they look in your direction, you're not looking upon me you're looking upon my dwelling place. I'm living inside this body, inside this dwelling place and isn't it an amazing thing, of all the time, money and effort that people put into the dwelling place and how little attention they give to the one dwelling on the inside. That's where we are in the world today.

In Lesson two we will have to recover some thought we have already gone over, but we need to make sure there is a clear understanding of this fact that man is a trinity and just establish from the scripture, that, with the Bible, that the soul and body are not the same; the spirit and the body are not the same; and the soul and the spirit are not the same, the Bible says "*we are fearfully and wonderfully made.*"

It's really a marvelous thing how you and I are a triune being in all three aspects of that being are essential for life in this world, on this planet and God has ordained it so.

Soul and the body

1 Kings 17:17. The Soul and Body are not the same. The Bible says in 1 Kings 17:17, a great Bible story here, "*And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. And she said unto Elijah, What I have I to do with thee, O thou son of man? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance and to slay my son?*" So Elijah responds to her in verse 19, *And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed. And he cried unto the Lord, and said, O Lord my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?* We see here that even Elijah a great man of GOD had his times when he doubted, so what did he do? Verse 21, *And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the Lord, and said, O Lord my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again. And the Lord heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he was revived. And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.*" Now did you notice in the passage the trinity that we talked about in lesson one, "his breath departed from him", "his soul is absent from his body" and "his body is laying there upon the bed"? Elijah said, give me your child, give me your son, but it's very clear that the soul and the body are not the same; the body's present but the soul has left that body and as Elijah stretches himself and prays upon the boy, the boy's soul returns back to him. Plainly, the soul and the body are not the same.

Look in Genesis 35:16, "*And they journeyed from Bethel; and there was but a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour. And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; thou shalt have this son also. And it came*

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to pass, as her soul was in departing (What did that mean?) *(for she died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin. And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Bethlehem.*” We have a body that no longer has life within it and that body is laid in a grave; that body is buried; the soul departs from the body and notice the departure of the soul from the body is defined in scripture as death. That’s what death is. When your soul exits your body, you have died and yet, you have to understand, the soul is very much alive even though a death has taken place.

Some religions teach that you die like a dog and that’s the end. That would be your end, if you did not have a living soul. But you have a soul, which is a separate and distinct from your body though it resides in you, though it takes up residence within your body.

Matthew 10:28, *“And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”* Now this is the first time hell has shown up in our study, but it’s plain that from the verse:

1. Your soul and your body are not the same.
2. It is possible for me to kill your body without doing any harm to your soul.
3. And the Lord warned me, or encouraged me to not be afraid of those that could only kill my body; but had no power to harm or to kill my soul. And then following that He warned me if I were an unbeliever.

Review this passage on you own after this lesson we want you to really think about what JESUS has just said. We will come back and revisit this passage; but there is a statement by Jesus that not just your soul but your body is in danger of Hell and suffering therein and those without CHRIST get that in the future. Understand, from the Bible, the Body and the Soul are not the same.

Spirit and the Body

Now, how about the sprit and body? Lets start with Luke 23 and Acts Chapter 7. My spirit and my body are not the same. Once we establish that, we’ll take a look at what the spirit is and what the spirit is not, the purpose of the spirit within you. Alright, Luke 23:46, *“And when Jesus had cried, with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.”* Now look down at verse number 52, we’re speaking of Joseph the counselor), *“This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. And he took it down, and wrapped it up in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.”* Acts Chapter 2, verse 25, *“For David speaketh concerning him (Who’s he speaking of?) Verse 22, Jesus of Nazareth and here’s what he said in verse 27, “Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.”* Now take a look, I have the man Christ Jesus hanging upon the cross; at the end of that day his spirit has returned to God the Father; His body is laying in a grave and His soul is making its way through Hell to a meeting with the thief who died next to Him, in paradise before that day is over. Who died upon that cross? The man Christ Jesus. At his crucifixion that He has a spirit that is commended into the hands and keeping of the Father; He has a body that is commended, and laid in the grave; and He has a soul that has entered into the lower parts of the earth to accomplish purposes that we’ll look at in a future lesson. You and I are more than just a body; and you and I are more than some other beast of the field that has no living soul.

Look in your Bible in Acts Chapter 7:58, this account of Stephen’s death, *“And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man’s feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying Lord Jesus, receive*

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my spirit.” So that man is speaking, his body is dying and he’s asking God to receive the departure – his spirit as it departs from his body, they’re not the same.

Turn in your Bible to 1 Corinthians 2 and Job 33. Why do you even care about something being right, just, good, clean, and being better, because there’s a remnant of God in your soul. There’s nothing walking on four feet, crawling on its’ belly, swinging by its’ tail, swimming through the sea that cares at all about its’ lives or what you think about it. Why do you care? There’s something inside you. You are a living soul, with a trace and remnant of John 1:9 of the light of God inside you and of your creator according to Romans 1:20, if not, you wouldn’t care. I’ve never seen a dog stop and look in a mirror and make sure its’ fur is lying right. They don’t care. You know why they do not care? There’s nothing in them pertaining to eternity. There’s something inside you that knows there is a God, that knows God wants you to do right. You may be confused about who He is or what right is. We’re very unique. We’re very special; made in the image of God with that distant memory of our creator stamped upon our souls.

Look in 1 Corinthians 2, (spirit and the body are not the same), verse 11, *“For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.”* That spirit part of you, not your soul, not your body, that spirit part of you that enables you to understand and communicate with other men. Now, your spirit enables you to communicate with other human beings. It doesn’t matter where you travel. You smile or frown and people get it, why? There’s a spirit there, we communicate; we read one another’s countenance, and we read one another’s mood and we sense certain things by gestures or raised eyebrows or a wink, all these types of things enable us to communicate. And you can go to a zoo and you can stand there all day and wink at that baboon, give him the thumbs-up and he’s not got any idea what you’re talking about.

So God has put a spirit within us to enable us to understand one another. Now look in the passage at what God said about why you try so hard to get your lost loved ones to see the gospel and they could look at verses that are so simple and have no idea what you’re talking about. You know why? The same reason Fluffy doesn’t understand what you’re saying. You don’t have the same spirit. Without the Spirit of the Living God, coming to take up residence within you, you could not understand God’s communication no matter how clear he made it. Isn’t the gospel so simple? It wasn’t so simple all those years somebody was trying to give it to you and you couldn’t get it. – WHOA! All of a sudden you understand the Bible. What is it? That’s the Spirit of God. He has to give you His Spirit so He can communicate with you. So God has given man a spirit so man can communicate with one with another.

Look in Job 33. Job understood this matter of creation. Get Job 33; get Genesis 2:7, *“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground (there’s the shaping of the body) and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.”* So you have a body there; but the body without the soul, and the body without that breath of God has no life in it. Job 33:4 says this, *“The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.”* Now why is that important? Job said I got the same thing Adam got. He’s not making reference to Adam in Job 33:4, he’s making reference to himself. He said *“I live by the breath of the Almighty.”*

Apostle Paul under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in Acts 17:24, *“God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men’s hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; Now you see that? Saved, unsaved, black, white, red, yellow, brown, Jew, Gentile, everybody breathing (God gave them breath), everything*

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living (God gave them life). We are not all God's children, but we are all God's creatures. He goes on to say in verse 26, "*And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; That they* (they who? That's all the people on the face of the earth) *should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:*" Understand? Verse 28, "*For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.*" In verse 22, "*Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious, For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with the inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.*" You don't know who God is, you worship in ignorance; you are superstitious but God gave you life. God gave you breath. So what happens here is what Paul is trying to say to them and you, here's why you have to have a Bible, because when Adam died and when death passed upon all men, for all have sinned; you have to understand I'm walking around in a body, with a living spirit and a soul that is reckoned dead in the eyes of God. So Jesus said don't be deceived, you're a three part being and that religion you have is all about your spirit, and your body, what about your soul? What about your soul? The Bible warns you in the book of Jude about religion that is sensual, just deals with spirit and does not deal with the soul.

The spirit and the body are not the same; the spirit is not mere "breath." That's a mistaken idea. (*The sound of two breaths.*) I'm not breathing in and out a spirit, Holy Spirit, your spirit, my spirit, the spirit is not breath. Take a look at Job 34:14, "*If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.*" Now let's not try to divide what can't be divided; but let's understand the distinction, if all your breath goes out of you and you don't take another breath, you're going to die. When you die, your spirit is going to depart from your body (as we saw in lesson one); but that does not mean that they are the same. The Lord said your breath and your spirit, two separate matters there.

Breath and Spirit

Isaiah Chapter 42. Your breath can send messages but it's not same as the spirit that we don't necessarily communicate or understand one another by basis of our breath but by the spirit. Alright, Isaiah 42:5, "*Thus saith God the Lord, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:*" So you have *breath* and you have *spirit* and they're not the same. God made a man a spirit and a soul and a body and that man "breathes"; but his breath is not the man; else part of you would be leaving everything you exhaled; then part of somebody else would be coming in. (That's a scary thing.) I have heard of people telling their children to hold their nose and cover their mouth whenever they drove by a cemetery so they would not breathe in anybody's bad spirits that might be hovering around the grave yard. God gave you breath and God also gave you a spirit and that spirit is a part of you and that breath isn't. They're not the same.

Zechariah 12:1, "*The burden of the word of the Lord for Israel, saith the Lord, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.*" The Bible says in Zechariah that God formed a body, right? For it has form to it; it has shape.

I've known men with their legs cut off; and that leg still hurts, their toes still itch. That's curious business, isn't it? You say well that's all in his mind; don't be sure of that. That soul

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has a form to it; and then that's spirits inside that soul and that soul's inside that body and God says in Zechariah 12:1 that he formed the spirit inside man.

Soul and the Spirit

So the spirit is not the body; the soul is not the body; spirit and breath are not the same; and now let's take a look at this idea, the soul and the spirit are not the same. Isaiah 57 and Hebrews 4. In Genesis 35:16, we read about at the beginning of our lesson, is speaking as her soul is departing. We have all read and heard accounts of somebody who had their vital signs disappear – they have flat-lined; looks like they are dead and then something happens to this person and they sit up and/or say something.

Hebrews 4 and Isaiah 57. 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 (Look at this.) of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”* Okay? So this word of God can place a divide between your soul and your spirit. They can't be the same thing. They're different. God divides them and defines them as being different. Isaiah 57:16. *“For I will not contend forever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls which I have made.”* The spirit and soul the soul and body and the spirit and body are not the same.

Ecclesiastes 3:18. says, *“I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.”* Now that's what Solomon said, but that's not so. That's when he's looking unto the sun; he's looking, as far as I could see, man's just like a beast. Well, he's not seeing souls, he's seeing bodies. He says in verse 19, *“For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity.”* That's not true either. You have never seen a deer yet, put shells in his shotgun and fire back. Does not man have *preeminence above a beast?* Romans 8, Romans 1, Hebrews 2; Genesis 9, Genesis 1, sure he does! Solomon looked at things and far as this life goes. And then he says in verse 20, *“All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.”* That'd be a reference to what? The body, right? Now, my body, my body is going the same route as a body of a beast; it is going to return to the dust. Verse 21, *“Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth? Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?”* This is the lost man. He has no hope beyond this life. All he's looking at is this life, and he says, “My body is going in the dust, my spirit's going back up to God, what's the use in worrying about the future? There's no reference to the soul in Ecclesiastes. When Jesus stepped on the scene; he said in Matthew 12:42 *“a greater than Solomon is here.”* I'm telling you, Solomon, if you gained the whole world and lost your own, what?

When Jesus came on the scene, he said Solomon didn't tell you, you have a soul. If you gained the whole world and lose your own soul, or what if you are one of them that believe to the saving of the soul, that is the whole story! Is your soul saved? Man, when that spirit goes back to God, and that body goes in the grave, there you are and where are you? Will you be looking up from the fire or looking down from Heaven?

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Heaven and Hell

Lesson 2

Name _____

1. Explain the difference between the spirit and the body.
2. Why were children told to cover their nose and mouth, when they passed a grave yard?
3. Define why we are all God's creatures.
4. Explain what happened when a patient flat-lines and then wakes up again?
5. Explain why your lost loved ones just do not get it when you are trying to tell them about your Wonderful Saviour.
7. How do you become a child of GOD?
8. Where does the spirit of Fluffy go when she dies?
9. Explain why the spirit and the breath are not the same.
10. What part of your being communicates with others, before you even say a word?
11. Explain why Solomon's outlook on the soul was incorrect.
12. What is the key verse of this Lesson?
13. What can we understand from Matthew 10:28?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.

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14. What did we learn in 1Kings 17:17-21?
15. Explain the difference between the soul and the body.
16. Explain why the idea of two breaths in a mistake
17. Explain why man has the preeminence above a beast.
18. Explain the difference between the soul and the spirit.
19. Explain the three parts of man?
20. Why does a person who loses their legs still feel like it is there?

True/False

- The spirit of a man is his breath
- My pet will be in heaven with me
- The soul and the spirit are the same
- Hell is just a temporary holding place, we may go to heaven after we are judged



Scripture Memorization: Write these verses out on the back of this page: Isaiah 42:5; Matthew 10:28; Job 34:14 (Must be in KJV)

any questions?