

The Soul

Genesis 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.

We see from this foundational teaching that man has both a body, and a soul, and without his soul Adam was just a body lying there, a big bunch of dust, of no value until God intervenes and breathes into his dusty nostrils the breath of life.

The breath of life is the third part of man, it is associated with the spirit, it is not the soul, it is what gives life (the rouach) to the body and allows the man to become a living soul.

Ecclesiastes 12:7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

The breath of life from God is what was given to Adam that enabled his body of dust to become a living soul. The body is a tent for the soul to live in.

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:

The body without the soul and the breath of life (spirit) is just a pile of dirt, while the soul which is not dependent upon the body to maintain life is who we really are.

The body is of course earthly and will decay, but the soul is that part of us that will last forever. It is the part of us that longs to know God. That is why it is imperative that we feed our soul (Soul food).

Just think about it for a second, what happens if you don't feed your body? It can't function properly, and it will soon die if it is not fed.

The soul needs to be fed the word of God (Soul Food), because it is literally food for the soul. Your soul will not die, because it is eternal, but it does hunger for a taste of that bread of life that comes from above.

Is your soul malnourished? Keep feeding it like you are now, and discipline your flesh to feed the soul as often as you can.

The word soul is used 498 times in the King James Bible. It is translated from the Hebrew word “**Nephesh**” and that can be translated several ways.

It is translated as soul of course, as heart, as life, and lastly as the personal pronouns he, she, we, us, him, her, they, them, theirs, and very often it is used for the word person, or people.

People are often called Souls:

Genesis 19:21 Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.

Notice in Genesis 19:21 and Genesis 2:7 above that both mention the soul as living, it can be said that the living soul (the person) can die in scripture, which is a reference to the person's body:

Revelation 16:3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

The soul is what separates mankind from the animal kingdom, it deals with a person's mind, will and emotions:

Genesis 23:8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind (*Nephesh*) that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

From the scriptures we also understand that we are not just a body that possesses a soul, but that we are three-part beings, having also a spirit.

Notice however in Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians below that the order of these three parts of mankind are reversed from Genesis 2:7 above.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The words spirit and ghost are sometimes used interchangeably throughout the scriptures:

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.

We will study the spirit/ghost of a man in greater detail in a later lesson, but here is another related portion of scripture to consider:

Matthew 27:50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. **51** And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; **52** And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, **53** And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

The soul is also said to depart from the body at death in the scriptures:

Genesis 35:18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin.

David said his soul went to hell in the book of Psalms:

Psalms 16:10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

David's soul, and the soul of all the saints before the cross went down to Paradise or Abraham's bosom when they died.

Paradise was only one half of the abode of the dead known as Hell. Sheol in Hebrew and Hades in the Greek.

It was eternally important which side of Hell (the abode of the dead) you were in because one side was the Paradise side, while the other side was the side of torment.

Our soul today does not go there, but instead goes immediately to be present with the Lord.

Are the dead awake or do they sleep?

Many theologians like to use the word conscious here instead of the word awake, we will however stick to the term used in the scriptures to defend what is taught therein concerning the current state of the dead.

The words slept is used 49 times in the King James Bible, and it normally refers to the sleep that you and I all enjoy on a daily basis, but there are numerous times where it used to define death, as we will look at below:

1 Kings 2:10 So David slept with his fathers and was buried in the city of David.

The same thing is said of Solomon when he died in 1 Kings 11:43, and Jeroboam 1 Kings 14:20, and of Rehoboam in 1 Kings 14:31. It is also used of

many other kings that proceeded them. The word sleep is also used to describe death:

2 Samuel 7:12 “And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.”

There was a woman at Endor that had a familiar spirit (a devil) that summoned up Samuel the prophet, and she was able to describe what Samuel looked like and even what he was wearing (a mantle), and Samuel was able to talk to Saul.

In 1 Samuel 28:15 Samuel said to Saul, **“Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up?”** The word disquieted means to have disturbed him, or to have bothered him, not to have resurrected him.

Samuel was enjoying his time in Paradise until Saul disquieted him for his own selfish reasons. Imagine the nerve of Saul, to ask a woman with a devil to use that devil to talk to Samuel while Samuel was in Paradise enjoying not having to deal with Saul anymore, he thought.

A Question to Ponder

Why would anyone name a place Paradise, if the whole time your soul was there, it was sleeping and unaware of its many splendors?

Liberals don't think their man-made teachings through to the end sometimes like here, before they start teaching them to the uneducated masses.

The familiar spirit that the woman at Endor divined was in hell, she was no fraud, and actually communicated with the dead through a devil (familiar spirit), a practice that is forbidden by God.

The familiar spirit would have had to have communicated across the great gulf that was between the two compartments in Hell, as was the case with the rich man communicating with Abraham across the gulf that we will look at momentarily.

It is interesting to note also that Samuel still appeared as an old man according to woman's description of him.

Samuel will not however be resurrected into the kingdom as an elderly man. Nor will we be the same age that we die at through all eternity.

She could both see Samuel, and describe him to Saul, and Saul actually could hear Samuel's voice and they conversed back and forth with one another.

1 Samuel 28:7 Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at Endor. **8** And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me him up, whom I shall name unto thee. **9** And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die? **10** And Saul swore to her by the LORD, saying, As the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing. **11** Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. **12** And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. **13** And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth. **14** And he said unto her, What form is he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himself. **15** And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do. **16** Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? **17** And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David: **18** Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day. **19** Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow shalt thou and thy sons be with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host

of Israel into the hand of the Philistines. 20 Then Saul fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel:

I saw gods ascending out of the earth:

The woman with the familiar spirit said she saw gods ascending out of the earth, and this comment has been mostly ignored by many, but to do so is to miss out on some truth that God has put in his word for us.

Do you remember back in Genesis when the serpent said to Eve that if she ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that she would be as gods?

Eve didn't stop the serpent and ask, "What is a god? Because she knew what a small g god was. An angel. Now Eve could have never become an angel, but she didn't know that, and the serpent was saying she could.

Who besides Jesus Christ is able to ascend and descend in scriptures from the earth? Angels, both good and bad. Remember Jacob's ladder?

Genesis 28:12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

Angels are used often as God's messengers to mankind, and what was King Saul seeking? A message from God.

So, while no one fully understands what all was going on that day between Samuel, Saul and the woman with the familiar spirit, we do know it had to do with them all hearing from God.

Sadly, there are still people today who think they will become angels when they die, or that their dead relatives are now guardian angels watching over them.

The Widows Son

1 Kings 17:17 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. 18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son? 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. 20 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? 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. 22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. 23 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. 24 And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in thy mouth is truth.

The LORD did not correct Elijah and say, that is not possible. Nor did he say, "Elijah, you are asking for the wrong thing." Elijah's request was granted exactly as he had asked. The soul of the widow's son returned unto him. His body was asleep, but his soul was very much alive.

The word slept is also used in the gospel of Matthew to describe the body during death:

Matthew 27:52 “And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, 53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.”

The souls of these people would have been in Paradise/Abraham's bosom because it associates the term "saints" with them. It is here that many believe Jesus led captivity captive to heaven.

Ephesians 4:8 Wherefore he saith, when he ascended up on high he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

That is, Jesus led the souls in Paradise up to heaven after his resurrection, but as that was beginning to happen many of the bodies in Jerusalem came up out of the graves and appeared unto many there.

The word slept is also used of Christ, and of all those believers in him:

1 Corinthians 15:20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

Was Christ sleeping for three days in the grave, or was he awake (conscious)? He was awake! He was actually quite busy for those three days that the scriptures record him as being the firstfruits of them that slept.

How can someone be awake while the scripture records them as being asleep? Easily! The body is asleep (lying at rest) in the grave, while the soul

is awake (conscious) in Paradise. Remember Jesus' words to the thief on the cross?

The 1611 King James Bible says:

Luke 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, to day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

The Jehovah Witnesses' New World Translation of the Bible changes the placing of the comma in Jesus' statement to make room for their doctrine of soul sleep that they got from the Seventh Day Adventist.

The New Word Translation of the Jehovah's Witnesses says:

Luke 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee to day, thou shalt be with me in paradise.

Did you see what they did? Do you see the difference that a small change in one verse can make in an important doctrine such as this?

Just like it matters which woman you come home to each night, it matters what Bible you read. Any woman will not do, and neither will any Bible. Just ask your actual wife.

Does the scripture record Jesus as doing anything during the three days that his body is recorded as being asleep (lying) in the grave? Yes, it does:

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: 19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

Jesus, after his crucifixion died, and his body was laid "to rest" in the tomb, but his soul went and preached unto the spirits that were in prison.

The question of whether the soul is awake after death is answered again for us by Jesus himself when he answers the liberals of his day, the Sadducees:

The God of the Living

Matthew 22:23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him, 24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. 25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother: 26: Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the

seventh. 27 And last of all the woman died also. 28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her. 29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God. 30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven. 31 But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying, 32 I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living. 33 And when the multitude heard *this*, they were astonished at his doctrine.

Notice that Jesus tells the Sadducees that God was (present tense) the God of the living, and not the God of the dead. He was saying by this that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were not dead, but that they were alive.

They were simply waiting the resurrection where their souls would be reunited with their bodies, when they would then enter into their long-awaited kingdom.

And when we see the true story of Lazarus and the rich man, we will see people who had died who were awake, and who were very much conscious of their surroundings:

Lazarus and the rich man

Luke 16:19 There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: 20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, 21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. 22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; 23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. 24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. 25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. 26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come

from thence. 27 Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: 28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. 29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. 30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. 31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

We learn from this story that Lazarus was comforted immediately after his death in Abraham's bosom, and that as soon as the rich man died, and was buried that he was awake (conscious) in Hell. Notice the rich man had a burial, Lazarus did not.

The rich man (A Jew) was able to see Lazarus (also a Jew) and Abraham afar off with his eyes, and that the rich man was tormented in the flames that were there in hell not because he was rich, but because he did not care for the poor as commanded by the law of Moses.

Deuteronomy 15:11 For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thy hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

We also learn from this story, that these unsaved Jews have their memories intact after death, and that they would regret their decision not to follow the commandments laid out for them in the law of Moses.

What did the rich man call the place he was in? "This place of torment." It sounds like he was awake to me.

Did you notice that Abraham said it wasn't possible for Lazarus to cross the gulf between him and the rich man, but he did allude to the fact that it was possible for a Lazarus to rise from the dead and go back to earth to preach to his brethren?

It was not permissible in this particular circumstance because they had Moses and the Prophets, and they should have listened to them. Does anyone remember another Lazarus who was raised from the dead?

How long will the torment last?

Revelation 20:10 "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and

ever. 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 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. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Since the beast and the false prophet are both actual human beings, and they are both cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, people should take note of this and believe the gospel.

It is there in the lake of fire where they as humans are going to be tormented day and night for ever and ever, and all the others whose names were not written in the book of life will also be there for ever and ever as well.

If you do not believe they will be tormented there for ever and ever, the same author records the devil being cast into the lake of fire with them a thousand years later. Notice what else he records:

Revelation 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

They are not annihilated in the lake of fire, but they will be tormented day and night, for ever and ever my friend, so please don't go there.

Why were they both cast alive into the lake of fire?

Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

What would happen to their physical bodies at the moment they landed in the lake of fire? Their bodies would be consumed, and all that would remain would be their eternal souls to be tormented in the flames.

Trust the gospel that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: and that alone for your salvation.

Jesus actually spoke to Moses on the mount of transfiguration and he was awake. He wasn't asleep somewhere awaiting the resurrection, but was in Abraham's bosom enjoying Paradise.

Mark 9:1 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power. 2 And after six days Jesus taketh *with him* Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them. 3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them. 4 And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus.

Jesus warned those in his day who would not believe in him what awaited them at the resurrection day when their souls would be re-united with their bodies, and it was not annihilation, but condemnation in the lake of fire where they would be tormented day and night, for ever and ever:

John 5:25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. 26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; 27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. 28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

For those of us today, in the dispensation of grace we are awaiting the rapture of the body of Christ, and if we should die before the rapture we will be immediately in the presence of the Lord:

1 Thessalonians 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the

Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

2 Corinthians 5:8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

Can the soul be destroyed?

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.

It is obvious that no man can destroy another man's soul, he can however destroy another man's body, but what about God destroying someone's soul. Is it possible?

If you cast a physical body into Hell, it will quickly burn up. What does the scriptures show us about souls being cast into the lake of fire? They still exist according to Revelation 19:20 and 20:10 above, so it must mean something similar,

Can the devil, the false prophet, or the beast ever bother anyone ever again once they are cast into the lake of fire? No, They have no more influence in any way over anyone for the rest of eternity. Their abilities are destroyed.

Mark 8:36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

The word destroyed, destroy also means to perish, or to lose. A person never really loses their soul, they do however lose everything that God has prepared for them that love him.

Their eternity is destroyed, but their soul goes on for ever and ever. Their life is destroyed, and their soul is lost because they chose not to have faith in God.

Annihilationism

If the soul of mankind is immortal (it continues to exist from the moment of conception) then annihilationism is false. Then Annihilationism must

discredit the true story of Lazarus and rich man to survive, because the two positions cannot both be true. If one is true, the other is a lie.

The person who discredits the story of Lazarus and the rich man by claiming it is a parable does so because he has to stay consistent with a doctrine he holds in higher regard. The doctrine of the annihilation of the soul.

Before one believes wholeheartedly in Annihilationism they usually begin by having a serious problem with eternal punishment which we have already dealt with briefly in the preceding comments above.

People tend to lean towards this doctrine usually do so when they find a loved one that has passed away as an unbeliever, and instead of agreeing with what the scriptures say on the subject and try to warn people of their pending doom, they try to deny there is any problem.

They begin to give heed to the seducing spirits and doctrines of devils that soothes their weary conscience. They then begin to look for a church whose preacher will tickle their ears, and there are plenty of them out there.

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.

If they really enjoy their sin, and they don't want to be reminded that what they enjoy is a sin (if sin didn't feel good, no one would do it), then they would look for a Universalists Church or Unitarian Church.

If, however they liked the rigid controlling type of religion but didn't care for Hell, then the Seventh Day Adventist, or the Kingdom Hall of the Jehovah's Witnesses would be where they would feel most comfortable.

Have you ever heard a Jehovah's Witnesses at your door say that a loving God would never send a person to Hell, to burn forever? How comforting a statement to the wife of an Atheist.

How revolting a claim to a loving God, who sent his Son to die for that man's sins, who stuck his finger in a loving God's face (who hung on the cross for him) and lived his life however he wanted to, with no regards to his Creator.

Because so many people perish having rejected God's love that was shown at Calvary, Satan has a vast pool of people out there in every generation that will fall for this lie.

The sinner who wants to do whatever he wants, without having to worry about a Judge in Heaven waiting to get him when he dies, or the family member who either has a lost loved one or who has lost a loved one recently who was an unbeliever.

The End

To take a test, simply copy the questions **along with their answers in bold font**, and paste them into the body of an email, and send them to us to be graded. No files please.

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The Soul Test

1. What did man become when God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life?
2. What is the breath of life?
3. Where does the spirit return to according to Ecclesiastes when our bodies return to dust of the earth?
4. What two things does Isaiah say God gives to us on the earth?
5. Is the soul dependent upon the body to maintain its life?
6. Is the body dependent upon the soul to maintain its life?
7. What does your soul desire to keep from being malnourished?
8. What other words are translated from the Hebrew word Nephesh, besides the word soul?
9. Type out a verse in Genesis that shows a person can also be described as a soul:
10. Does Revelation 16:3 teach that all the people died, or that all their souls died? Be careful.
11. What separates mankind from the animals?
12. What are three things that the soul of a person deals with in a person?
13. Mankind is a three-part being, what are those three parts?

* Type out a verse that supports your answer from Paul's epistles:

14. What two words are often used interchangeably?

* Type a verse in Luke that supports your answer:

15. What does Matthew 27:52 say the bodies of the saints were doing before they arose after Christ's resurrection?

16. Was it the body of these saints that appeared unto people in Jerusalem or their souls?

17. What does the scripture say the soul does at a person's death in the case of Rachel dying at Benjamin's birth?

* Type out the scripture that supports your answer:

18. Where did David say his soul was going to go to after he died?

* Type out the scripture to support your answer:

19. What does the scriptures often use the word sleep to describe, that is not normal sleeping?

* Type out a verse to support your answer:

20. Was David's soul sleeping with his father's soul, or were their bodies sleeping (dead) next to each other?

21. What two things did the woman at Endor say about Samuel's appearance when her familiar spirit brought him up?

22. What does the word disquieted mean?

23. What else did she say that she saw that was ascending?

24. Did Samuel actually talk to Saul?

25. Where would have the familiar spirit have to have been to communicate to Samuel?

26. Who besides Jesus is said to ascend and descend from the earth?

* Type out the verse to support your answer:

27. What did Elijah ask the LORD to return to the widow's son?

28. Since the bodies of the saints were in the graves at Jesus' resurrection, where were their souls?

29. When Jesus led captivity captive, was it that was captive, their bodies or their souls?

30. Is it the soul that sleeps, or is it the body?

* Type out a verse that supports your answer

31. Who is the firstfruits of them that slept?

32. Was Jesus soul asleep for the three days that his body was in the grave?

33. When did Jesus say that the thief would be with him in Paradise?

34. What does 1 Peter say Jesus was doing during the three days his body was in the grave?

35. What didn't the Sadducees believe in?

36. What did Jesus teach the Sadducees that the state of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob was?

37. Was the story of Lazarus and the rich man a true story, or a parable?

38. What was wrong with a poor Jew begging at the gate of a rich Jew according to Deuteronomy?

* Type out a verse to support your answer

39. Was Lazarus ever buried in the story?

40. Where was Lazarus carried to by the angels?

41. Where did the rich man open up his eyes?

42. Did the rich man go to Hell because he was rich? Yes or no.

* Explain your answer

43. How do we know the rich man was awake in Hell?

* Give four proofs

44. How long will the lost be tormented in flames?

45. How long is it that the beast and the false prophet are tormented before the devil joins them in the lake of fire?

46. When dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God commanding them to come forth, who actually hears them and what happens when they do?

47. Who did Jesus talk to on the mount of transfiguration that had previously died?

48. What can those who have done good expect concerning judgment?

49. What can those who have done evil expect concerning judgment?

50. Type out the scriptures that support the answers to the two previous questions here:

51. When will an Old Testament Saint's soul be reunited with its body?

52. Where does a believer in the dispensation of grace go to today when they die?

* Type out a verse that supports your answer:

53. When will we be reunited with our bodies?

* Type out a verse that supports your answer:

54. Can a person's soul cease to exist in hell?

55. Can a person really lose their soul?

56. What usually causes a person to begin to believe in the annihilation of the soul?

57. What does Paul tell us people will depart from in the last days?

58. What will cause them to do so according to the same verse?

* Type out the verse that supports your answer: