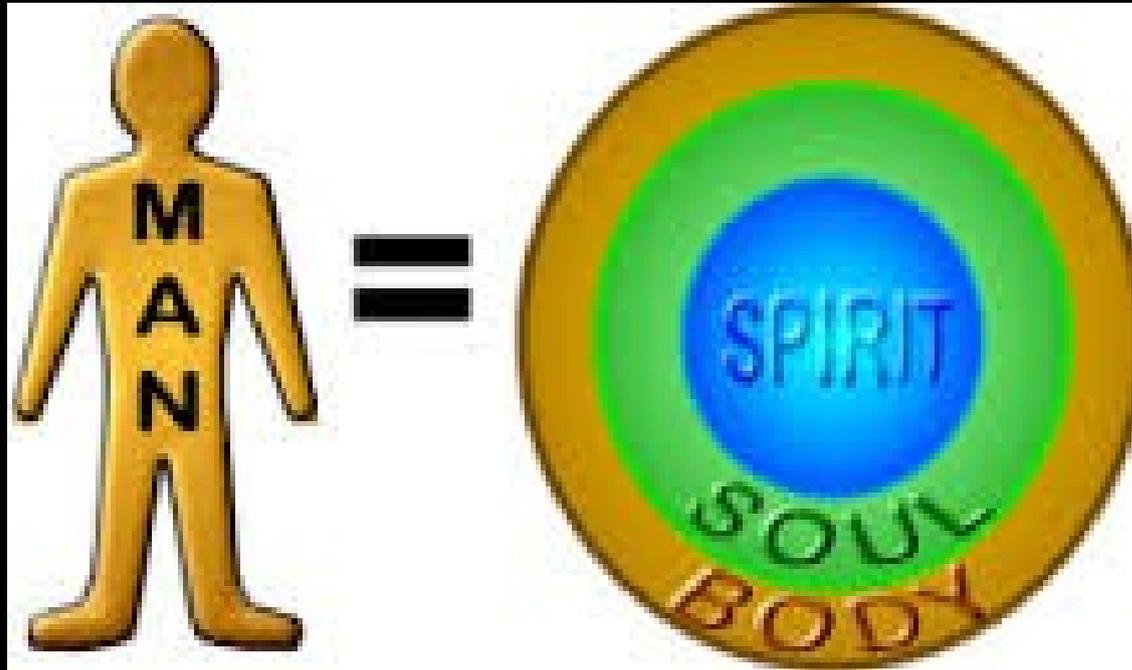


# SOUL, SPIRIT, BODY



Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

# Spirit

- Hebrew – ruach
- Greek – pneuma
- Often interchangeable – soul / spirit
- **Hebrews 4:12** For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

# Spirit = Inner man

- **Ecclesiastes 12:7** Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, And the spirit will return to God who gave it.
- **James 2:26** For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

# Spirit = Inner man

- **Luke 8:55** Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat.
- **1 Corinthians 5:5** deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

# Spirit = Mind or Attitude

- **1 Corinthians 2:11** For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.
- **2 Corinthians 2:13** I had no rest in my spirit, because I did not find Titus my brother; but taking my leave of them, I departed for Macedonia.

# Spirit = Mind or Attitude

- **Luke 1:46-47** 46 And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord,
- 47 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

# The Body

- **1 Corinthians 15:42-44** 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption.
- 43 It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power.
- 44 It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

# The Body

- Body is the outer nature – wasting away
- The inner man – renewed day by day
- 2 Corinthians 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.

# The Body

- **Matthew 22:31-32** 31 But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying,
- 32 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."

# The Body

- Sadducees
  - Agreed with “I AM” not “I WAS”
  - Agreed with “God of the living”
  - PROBLEM – God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob
  - That means they are alive – still exist

# Conclusion

- Soul and spirit – often used interchangeably
- Soul and spirit – inner part of man
  - Soul more often – whole person
  - Spirit more often – part of man living after death
- Soul is sometimes the seat of emotions
- Spirit is often the mind, thought, reasoning part
- Body is our physical identity

# Conclusion

- **3 John 1:2** Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.
  - How is your soul prospering?
  - Is your soul ready for heaven?