

The Three Biblical Components of

MAN



Proverbs 20:27—The spirit of man *is* the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

(Man's Pure Identity: Weighing Every Motive, Discerning Each Intent)

The moral conscience within man has been placed there by God. (Prov. 20:27) It is through man's moral conscience he becomes responsible before his Creator, Jesus Christ. Man's responsibility is to acknowledge Christ in creation and as Creator, NOT to choose whether Christ is Creator. The universality of spirit, within all men, is bequeathed (given) to all equally without consideration of merit, effort, or giftedness. This blessing transcends race, social class, education, intelligence, genetic disposition or physical appearance. This creates a universal responsibility by all men before God. When men reject the incontestable proofs of Christ in creation, they have 'chosen,' they have condemned themselves—they are without EXCUSE!

WOMAN'S ORIGIN

Genesis 2:18, 21-23

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; **22** And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. **23** And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

ORIGIN OF MAN'S MORAL CONSCIENCE AND ITS ULTIMATE DESTINY

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

Ecclesiastes:12:7

SOUL

(Man's Transient, Indecisive Personality)

Either influenced by the flesh or the spirit, man's will (the driver of man's soul) is generally directed by one of these two basic components of personality. The soul consists of the mind, WILL, and emotions which are the total of man's personality. Man's soul; however, is subjective, or biased, because of his finite and temporal existence. Man's bank of wisdom is drawn from the sum of man's history on this planet. A major portion of man's wisdom is NOT objective, impartial, and rooted in the knowledge of God. At death, the soul and spirit of man return to God to await judgment—for rewards, crowns and everlasting life OR for condemnation, rebuke and eternal punishment and torment.

MAN'S ORIGIN

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. **Genesis 2:7**

The only creature God created that it was said they had a living soul. Set apart from the rest in the animal kingdom, man's spirit and soul ascend to God and face eternal judgment (Eccles. 3:21)

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TWO BIRTH'S: PHYSICAL & SPIRITUAL

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **John 3:5, 6**

Flesh

(Man's Physical Urges and Proclivities—Sensuality)

Sinew, flesh, blood, bone, organs, genetics are all known as the body of man. They are not perceived by God as evil; however, they should not direct a man's life. The five senses (touch, taste, smell, feel, hear), or man's sensory perceptions of the world, are the basis of the scientific method. While this system of induction is good, it is superseded by the unseen fruit of the Spirit—faith. The flesh is at war with man's spirit. To ease his conscience, man has devised religion with its slavish and misdirected commandments and expectations, hence the religious man of Romans 7:14-24