

# God gives spirit, takes it away and gives it again

God is Spirit...therefore when He made mankind in His image and likeness...this must mean that **man also is spirit**.

Jesus said that if you have seen Me you seen the Father...therefore Jesus is God's manifestation or physical body.

Jesus could do nothing of himself...the Father who dwelt in Jesus did the works and gave the words. The Father has no form. Jesus is the form of God...God manifest in the flesh...God revealed.

God is a union of The Father and The Son. How are they in Union? Via the spirit of man joined as one with the Spirit of God.

That human spirit was given by God when He breathed the breath of life into Adam. It was not air that God breathed into Adam...for God is SPIRIT...he has no lungs and no mouth to do CPR with. No...God gave of His own Spirit to man for He created us in His image and likeness...SPIRIT.

Man then became a living soul.

Therefore it is the spirit that is the life of man. Without the spirit a man(a soul) is dead.

A man is spirit soul and body...just as God is Spirit(FATHER) Soul and Body(SON).

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*John 4:<sup>24</sup> God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."*

Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." <sup>27</sup> So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils **the breath of life**(spirit); and man became a living being(soul).

Num 16:22 Then they fell on their faces, and said, "O God, **the God of the spirits of all flesh**, shall one man sin, and You be angry with all the congregation?"

Num 27:16 "Let the LORD, **the God of the spirits of all flesh**, set a man over the congregation,

Job 12:10 In whose hand is **the soul of every living thing, and the breath(ru<sup>ach</sup>) of all mankind.**

Gen 6:17 And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven **all flesh in which is the breath(ru<sup>ach</sup>) of life**; everything that is on the earth shall die.

Heb 12:9 Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to **the Father of spirits** and live?

Job 34:14 If He should set His heart on it, **If He should gather to Himself His Spirit and His breath,**

Job 34:15 **All flesh would perish together, And man would return to dust.**

Psa 104:29 You hide Your face, they are troubled; **You take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

Psa 104:30 **You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And**

**You renew the face of the earth.**

*Psa 146:3 Do not put your trust in princes, Nor in a son of man, in whom there is no help.*

*Psa 146:4 His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; In that very day his plans perish.*

*Psa 146:4 His breath(ru<sup>ach</sup>) goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

*Luk 23:46 And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.'" Having said this, He breathed His last.*

*Ecc 12:6 Remember your Creator before the silver cord is loosed, Or the golden bowl is broken, Or the pitcher shattered at the fountain, Or the wheel broken at the well.*

*Ecc 12:7 Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, And the spirit will return to God who gave it.*

*Gen 3:19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you are, And to dust you shall return."*

*Job 17:16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit(sheol), when our rest together is in the dust.*

*Dan 12:2 And many(all) of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.*

*Joh 5:28 'Wonder not at this, because there doth come an hour in which all those in the tombs shall hear his voice,*

*Joh 5:29 and they shall come forth; those who did the good things to a rising again of life, and those who practised the evil things to a rising again of judgment.*

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Clearly the Scriptures tell us that man returns to the dust when he dies. What returns to the dust? His body returns to dust from which it was made...What about His soul? Job says it rests in the dust. Daniel says it sleeps in the dust...Jesus also says that the soul sleeps in the grave. Body and soul are one. They are the natural life which came from the earth...spirit is the inner man that came forth from God.

*Ecc 12:7 Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, **And the spirit will return to God who gave it.***

You cannot deny this plain declaration by the Holy Spirit. **THE SPIRIT of man WILL RETURN TO GOD WHO GAVE IT.**

*Prov 20:27 The spirit of a man is the lamp of the Lord, Searching all the inner depths of his heart.*

It is not just believing man that has a spirit...all men and women have a spirit...indeed their body and soul would not be alive except for the presence of their spirit within. That spirit comes from God WHO IS SPIRIT...**the God of the spirits of all flesh**(Nu 16:22,27:16)

Therefore at death the body returns to dust and the soul rests awaiting the Lord Jesus to call them forth from the grave at the Resurrection. At death their spirit already returned to God who gave it...yet at the resurrection their spirit will again give life to them. Their spirit which has returned to God shall be **given again to them** so that they may be raised from the grave at the Resurrection.

After the Resurrection of all those who sleep in the grave, every knee shall bow before Jesus Christ and confess him as their Lord and saviour...as their strength and only righteousness. This is what God swore will happen. It is not a

forced bowing and confession. Did God make you bow and confess Jesus as Lord? If you think it will be a forced confession then you know not God.

Isaiah 45: 21b NKJV

And *there is* no other God besides Me,  
A just God and **a Savior**; (Yeshua/Jesus)  
*There is* none besides Me.

<sup>22</sup> “Look to Me, and be saved,  
All you ends of the earth!  
For I *am* God, and *there is* no other.

<sup>23</sup> **I have sworn by Myself;**  
The word has gone out of My mouth *in* righteousness,  
And shall not return,  
That to Me every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue shall take an oath.

<sup>24</sup> He shall say,  
**‘Surely in the Lord I have righteousness and strength.**

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Isa 45:22 “Turn to me and be saved,  
all you ends of the earth;  
for I am God, and there is no other.

<sup>23</sup> By myself I have sworn,  
my mouth has uttered in all integrity  
a word that will not be revoked:  
Before me every knee will bow;  
by me every tongue will swear.

<sup>24</sup> They will say of me, ‘In the Lord alone  
are deliverance and strength.’”

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This is what will happen after the resurrection of all those who sleep in the graves. They shall all be saved...but so as through fire.

Daniel and Jesus speak of a resurrection to life and a resurrection to judgement. Believers shall not come into judgement –but as Jesus said they ‘have passed out from death to life’ These shall reign with Jesus.

**Reigning in Jesus’** economy is not like Gentile reign...not like the benefactors...who reign over others putting themselves over people...but reigning in love means **walking as Jesus** towards others.

*Luk 22:25 And he said to them, ‘The kings of the nations do exercise lordship over them, and those exercising authority upon them are called benefactors;*

*Luk 22:26 but ye are not so, but he who is greater among you—let him be as the younger; and he who is leading, as he who is ministering;*

## **What others?**

The ones raised from the dead who were not believers during their lifetime in the body. The ones who were sleeping in the grave but have now been raised from death. These ones shall be raised up and we the believers shall bring them to the Father via evangelism and loving kindness and the teaching of the good news to all creation. This shall go on until all bow the knee and confess Jesus as their righteousness and strength even as Father SWORE that they would one day.

Those ones raised from death shall be put in the fire for as long as it takes for them to be rid of their false ideas about God, self, and Jesus. This is the same fire that we believers have been cast into since coming to Jesus ourselves. The fire

of God tests our works. The fire of God is jealous fire...burning away the dross and bringing us to see the errors of our way and our thinking. The fire exposes the tares that we have believed about God and His Word. This fire is necessary for us to learn obedience ...and this same fire is what John calls the lake of fire.

In the resurrection those who died without Jesus shall be raised to life and be trained like we have been in the fire-love of the Father. How long will this take? Forever and ever?

If you read a literal translation you shall see that **forever and ever is a bad translation** of the Greek.

*Rev 14:11 and the smoke of their torment doth go up to ages of ages; and they have no rest day and night, who are bowing before the beast and his image, also if any doth receive the mark of his name. Young's Literal Translation*

*Rev 14:11a "And|| the smoke of their torment|| |unto ages of ages| ascendeth ...Rotherham's emphasised Bible*

Jesus spoke of this resurrection to judgement in Matthew 25 and most versions take their lead from the KJV saying that they shall suffer an eternal or everlasting punishment. But again if you read the original Greek and use a literal translation like Young's or Rotherham's or Weymouth's...you will see that the punishment is not forever...but age abiding..age during...or age long CORRECTION.

It is not forever and it is not punishment for punishment's sake...it is correction from their LOVING FATHER who gave them of HIS SPIRIT so that they would come to know Him through receiving Jesus Christ as their LORD and SAVIOUR.

*Matt 25:41 Then shall he say also to those on the left hand, Go ye from me, the cursed, to the fire, the age-during, that hath been prepared for the Devil and his messengers; YLT*

*Matt 25:46 And these shall go away to punishment age-during, but the righteous to life age-during.'* (namely the 1000 year reign) YLT

*Matt 25:46 And |these| shall go away into |age abiding| correction, But |the righteous| into |age abiding| life.*  
(REB)

Age abiding correction is what we believers have all been enduring in God's school of the Spirit. He corrects us as a loving Father...chastening us that we may be partakers in His holiness. (Hebrews 12)

Our God is a consuming fire!! I know it!!

Those who died without Christ shall not escape His correction...because HE LOVES THEM TOO MUCH to let them get away with anything. He doesn't do it with us...so he won't with them.

Our God is a just God and a Saviour..Isa 45:21 Therefore He justly judges according to His Law. The worst punishment that the Law of God prescribes for any crime is death. There is no punishment in God's HOLY LAW that supports TORTURE. Thus it would be a great injustice on God's part if He tortured people in a literal burning fire. Such a teaching was birthed by demons to blaspheme the holy loving nature of our Father.

God through us who have Jesus and walk in Him shall lovingly teach and model God's loving ways to all those raised from the grave. That is what we shall do during the Ages still to come.

*Eph 2:7, 8a "That he might point out in the oncoming ages The surpassing riches of His favour in graciousness upon us in Christ Jesus For by His favour have you been saved through means of faith..."* REB

Do you see it? Will you receive it?

It is the good news of a good God who said that the birth of the Messiah would be good news for ALL THE PEOPLE..Luke 2:10

Good News Good news...God shall save all people through faith in Jesus Christ now and in the ages still to come. God is not a failure. God does not walk away from those who reject Him. God loves His enemies and searches and searches for that one lost coin, lost son, lost sheep UNTIL HE FINDS IT. He never fails, He never gives up. But the church has had tares sewn into it's heart long ago which have defamed God and made Him into a monster.