WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

JOHN 16:5-15

Who (not what) is the Holy Spirit?

- = He is a person
- = He is the 3rd person of the Trinity
- = He has been sent by the Father

HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK IN THE WORLD

JOHN 16:8

"And when He comes, He will convict and convince the world and bring demonstration to it about sin and about righteousness (uprightness of heart and right standing with God) and about judgment:

HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK IN US

JOHN 14:16-18

"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever The Spirit of Truth ...

JOHN 15:26

"But when the Comforter comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of Truth, Who comes from the Father, He (Himself) will testify regarding Me.

- **Comforter** 2 Cor. 1:3-4
- Counselor John 14: 26
- **Helper** Ps. 34 : 18
- Advocate Mark 13:11
- Intercessor Rom. 8 : 26 27
- **Standby** Rom. 15 : 13
- Strengthener Isaiah 61:1-3
- Reveal God 2 Cor. 3 : 17 18
- Guide in Truth 1 Cor. 2:12-13
- Revealer of the future Rom. 8:18
- Glorify and honor Jesus John 16:14

The Trinity

God the Father
God the Son (Jesus)
God the Holy Spirit

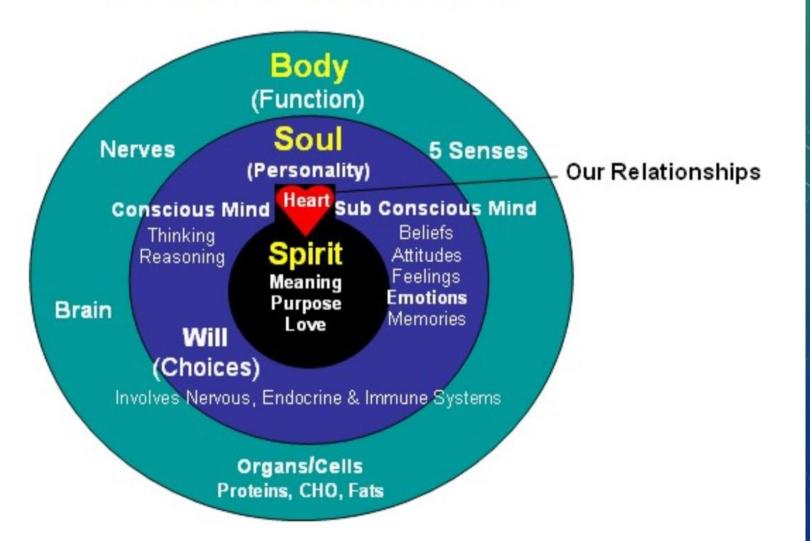
The Bible (Word of God) reveals to us:

- God the Father's love and care (John 3 : 16)
- Jesus's covering our sins (1 John 1 : 7)
- Holy Spirit's sustenance (Rom. 5 : 5)

Gen 1:27

"So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them.

We Are a 3-Part Whole



We are spirit, have a soul and live in a body

Body

Ps. 139: 13 – 14

"For You formed my inward parts;
You covered me in my mother's womb.
I will praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made..."

Soul

1 Cor. 15:45

"So also it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living soul...'"

Spirit

1 Cor. 2:11

"For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them?"

What is the big problem for Mankind? = being separated from God our Creator!

Isaiah 59:2

"But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God."

Rom. 3:23

"...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..."

Rom. 6:23

"For the wages that sin pays is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

1 Tim. 2 : 4 − 6

"God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Jesus Christ, who gave Himself a ransom for all..."

God's complete salvation plan addresses all 3 our elements :

- Regeneration of our spirit
- Transformation of our soul
- Transfiguration of our body

Regeneration of our spirit

Eze. 36: 26 – 27

"A new heart will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you. And I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes."

Transformation of our soul

Rom. 12:2

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Transfiguration of our body

1 Cor. 15 : 51 – 52

" ... We shall not all fall asleep in death, but we shall all be changed(transformed).

In a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, at the sound of the last trumpet call.

For a trumpet will sound, and the dead in Christ will be raised imperishable

(free and immune from decay), and we shall be changed (transformed)."

1 Thess. 5:23

"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."

So how did sin enter the world?

Gen. 2:17

"But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil and blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it, you shall surely die."

Adam did not physically die as we know - (because he managed to populate the world) BUT he died spiritually!

And so, as we as children inherit physical DNA from our parents, we also inherit the spiritual DNA.

When a baby is born

- he/she is physically alive
- he/she is alive in the soul (needs/emotions/wants etc.)
- but dead in the spirit

The spirit affects the soul and the soul affects the body...

Dead spirit > infected / distorted / damaged soul > distorted / damaged body

Medical lecture:

Heart/kidney/Liver failure

- physical (body) consequences: swelling of limbs, body with discoloration due to inadequate blood supply
- mental (soul) consequences: tiredness, delirium, coma

New heart/kidney/liver transplant restores both body (physical) and soul (mental)

In the same way will a new heart/spirit restore us to a new soul and body

- the new spirit/HS (like the transplant) happens immediately but the recovery/restoration is a process (sanctification).

In our example if the patient never gets that transplant = PHYSICAL DEATH

If we don't get a new spirit ... 2nd death

Rev . 20:6

"Blessed and holy are those who have part in the final resurrection.

The 2nd death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years."

Rev. 20: 14

"Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire.

The lake of fire is the 2nd death."

Rev. 21:8

"But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters, and all liars – their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulphur. This is the 2nd death."

Rapture

-babies and children (young enough whose souls not damaged yet)
WILL BE SAVED

- all others will need to possess a new Spirit by accepting Jesus as Lord and Saviour

John 3:7

"Jesus answered him, I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, That unless a person is born again (anew from above), he cannot ever see (know) the kingdom of God."

1 Cor. 12:3

" ... And no one can ever say, Jesus is my Lord, except by and under the power and influence of the Holy Spirit."

Vs 7:

"But to each one is given the manifestation of the Holy Spirit for good and profit."

Vs 11:

"All these gifts (abilities) are inspired and brought to pass by one and the same Holy Spirit, Who apportions to each person individually as He chooses."

So each of us has received a gift/gifts of the Spirit and thus it is of utmost importance that we identify it, because it has been given to ensure spiritual growth for the individual believer and for the Church as a whole.

How do we walk with the Spirit and apply the gifts of the Spirit?

1. Meditate on His Word

Col. 3:16

"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

2. Be doers of the Word

James 1: 22 – 25

"... for if anyone only listens to the Word without obeying it, he is like a man who looks carefully at his own natural face in a mirror; for he thoughtfully observes himself, and promptly forgets what he was like..."

3. Show the fruit of the Spirit

Gal. 5:22 - 23

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness and self-control..."

Pursue love first because without love the gifts mean nothing!

1 Cor. 13:1-3

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal...

...gift of prophecy... knowledge... all faith that can move mountains... bestow all my goods to the poor... give body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing."

