



We Believe

A CLOSER LOOK

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6. That God created our physical world, to which each person comes with a body and a soul made alive by a spirit from the spiritual creation



That God created our physical world

Hebrews 1:10

"And, Thou, Lord in the beginning
hast laid the foundation of the
earth; and the heavens are the
works of thine hands"

The creator of our world

- **In the beginning...**

(Genesis 1:1)

"In the beginning God created the
heaven and the earth."

- **Created by God**

(Colossian 1:16)

"¹⁶ For by him were all things
created, that are in heaven, and
that are in earth, visible and
invisible, whether they be thrones,
or dominions, or principalities, or
powers: all things were created by
him, and for him:"



to which each
person comes
with a body and
a soul

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.."

body

gěviyah (H1472)

- a body, whether alive or dead:—(dead) body, carcase, corpse.

soul

psychē (G5590)

- the seat of the feelings, desires, affections, aversions (our heart, soul etc.)

the (human) soul regarded as a moral being designed for everlasting life

the soul as an essence which differs from the body and is not dissolved by death (distinguished from other parts of the body)

What and Who we are

- **The body and soul is something we can identify a person by.**
(Luke 24:39)
- **Inanimate until it is given the breath of life.**
(Genesis 2:7)
(Psalm 146:4)

made alive by a spirit

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.”

spirit

ruwach (H7307)

- wind, breath, mind, spirit.

pneuma (G4151)

- the spirit, i.e. the vital principal by which the body is animated

The “Life”

- **Without the spirit we die**

(John 19:30)

Ecclesiastes 12:7

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

- **God sends the spirit**

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from the spiritual creation

Genesis 1:27

“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.”

John 4:24

“God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”

The spiritual connection

- **Angels => Spirits**

Hebrews 1:7

“And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.”

- **God gives the life**

Psalms 104:29-30

“Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.

Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.”

Genesis 28 – Jacobs Ladder

¹⁶ And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not.

¹⁷ And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven



In summary

▶ We Believe:

- ▶ God created our physical world
- ▶ That we have been born into this world with a spirit, soul and body
 - ▶ The Body being our physical shell (what we are)
 - ▶ The Soul being our seat of reason, morality, personality (who we are)
 - ▶ The Spirit being the animating force for our Body and Soul (how we are alive)
- ▶ That each person has an individual spirit which is given to him/her from God which causes us to be “alive”
- ▶ That this spirit was created as part of the spiritual creation and existed in this realm before it was sent to be the life of our body & soul
- ▶ That when we die this spirit returns to God who gave it