

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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### QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE TEACHINGS AND THE ANSWERS FROM GOD'S WORD!

#### Did God make all people from the seed inside the first man?

Genesis 1:11-12 Then God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed, *and* the fruit tree *that* yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth; and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind and the tree that yields fruit whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. [This is the first place in scripture where we see God command seed to be inside of the living thing that He creates so that it can yield seed and reproduce according to its kind. The next living things that He creates to be according to its kind, is sea creatures and birds. And just like the fruit tree whose seed is in itself, God blessed the sea creatures and birds and told them to be fruitful and multiply. See Genesis 1:20-22] In Genesis 1:24-25, God tells the earth to bring forth the living creature according to its kind. [The command to be fruitful comes with God placing the seed inside of the newly created living thing so that it can reproduce and be fruitful.] In Genesis 1:28 God blessed man and told them to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. Genesis 3:20 [NKJ] And Adam called his wife's name Eve because she was the mother of all living. It is written in Genesis 5:2, "Male and female created He them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created." KJV [Genesis 5:2 says that both Adam and Eve were called Adam by God; and Genesis 3:20 says 'all living' came from man [Adam and Eve] [Genesis 5 *tells of the genealogy of Adam through Noah. Then after the flood,* in Genesis 9:1 it says "So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth." [And from the sons of Noah, the descendants of the fruitful seed of Adam, the earth was filled again.] According to God's Word, Yes, God made all people from the seed inside the first man, Adam.

#### Did God make you as a three part being [spirit, soul, and body]?

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. [KJV] I Thessalonians 5:23, says "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". Hebrews 4:12 says "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..." Ecclesiastes 12:7 says "Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it". Jesus said in Matthew 10:28, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell". Romans 8:16, "the Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God". According to God's Word, these six scriptures testify to the affirmative that Yes, God made man as a three part being of spirit, soul and body.

### Is it true that your soul lives forever either in a good place called heaven or a bad place called hell?

John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Daniel 12:2 said "And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake. Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt." Jesus said in Matthew 10:28, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." 2 Thessalonians 1:9 "These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power" Revelation 21:7-8 says "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death." The Word of God says it's true, our souls are everlasting and some will have everlasting life with Father in heaven, and some to shame and everlasting destruction.

### Is it true you can choose to speak in an unknown tongue?

From creation, God our Father gave man choice. When God gave Adam the command that he could eat from every tree in the garden; but not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, Genesis 2:16-17 Adam chose to disobey. Genesis 3:6 God said in Deuteronomy 30:19 "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you. I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live.." In Deuteronomy 30:20, God our Father continues speaking to tell us why we should choose to obey Him, saying, "that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to give them." In Ephesians 6:10 we are told to be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. [*That's a choice you make – To be strong in the Lord's strength or to do it your own way.*] In Ephesians 6:11 We are told to "put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil". [*Again that's a choice you make – you can either put on the whole armor of God, put on part of it, or put on none of it.*] Ephesians 6:12 – 18 tells us why we should put on the whole armor of God and describes the armor. In Ephesians 6:18 we are told to always pray with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit. We are told that in order to stand against the trickery of the devil, to pray in the Spirit. Ephesians 6:11, 18 To always pray with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit is a choice. The Word of God instructs us to pray in the Spirit. Ephesians 6:18 In I Corinthians 14:18, the writer Paul says, "I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all." [Paul chose to pray in tongues.] The Word of God says in I Corinthians 14:14 For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. [This scripture says that when you pray in a tongue your spirit prays.] Our God and Father is good, kind, full of love, compassion and mercy. He does not tell us to do something that we cannot choose to do. God, our Father gives us choice, and His instruction is always for our good. But it's *our choice* to obey *or* to disobey. Deuteronomy 30:19

### Is it true that when you were born again, that you are born again by the good seed in Jesus?

Jesus said in John 3:6-7 "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, You must be born again." I Peter 1:23 says "having been born again not of corruptible seed but incorruptible through the Word of God which lives and abides forever." The Holy Scripture says that we were born again of incorruptible seed through the Word of God. I Peter 1:23 Revelation 19:13 and John 1:1-4 says and describes Jesus as the Word of God. We were born again of seed that does not decay, corrupt or is immortal. [The New Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Greek: 862, incorruptible] In Matthew 13:37, Jesus said, "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man." [Jesus said seed singular, not plural. Jesus called Himself the Son of man [see Matthew 9:6; 10:23]. ] Jesus, as the Son of man sows the good seed. Matthew 13:37 Jesus said in Luke 8:11 "the seed is the Word of God." According to the Word of God, when you were born again, it was of incorruptible seed that Jesus sowed. I Peter 1:23 And the seed that Jesus sowed for you to be born again of the Spirit is good seed. John 3:6-7 Jesus sowed *His life* as seed for you to born again. Isaiah 53:10-12

### Is it true that your born again Spirit looks like heavenly Father and Jesus?

Hebrews 1:3 says about Jesus, "who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person.." Colossians 1:15 says "He is the image of the Invisible God, the firstborn over all creation." Also see 2 Corinthians 4:4; [These scriptures say that Jesus is the image of God] Romans 8:29 says, "For who He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son that He might be the firstborn among many brethren." I Corinthians 15:49 says "And as we have borne the image of the *man* of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly *Man*. [These two scriptures confirm our spiritual man is in the image of Jesus.] Jesus is in the image of Father. Hebrew 1:3, Colossians 1:15; John 4:24 And man's born again spirit is in the image of Jesus and Father which is the original plan of God in Genesis 1:26-27.

### Is it true that sin is no longer a problem because of Jesus?

In John 1:29 when John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him, John said, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Romans 3:20-26 says "Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus." [These scriptures say that the law gave people knowledge of sin. But God sent Jesus to atone and make payment in full for the sins of all men. And that God is a justifier of those who believe that Jesus took care of sin by His blood. I John 2:1-2; 4:10]

Romans 6:10-12 speaking of Jesus says that He died to sin once for all but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body that you should obey it in its lusts. I John 1:6 says "If we say we have fellowship with Him and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. [The truth is that the world was justified when Jesus died to sin once for all. But everyone still has to choose to believe Jesus and practice the truth of living unto God.] I John 1:7 says, "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."

### Is it true that when you believe Jesus, you can use the name of Jesus to heal the sick?

In John 14:12-14 Jesus said, "Most assuredly I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also, and greater works than these he will do because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name that I will do that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name I will do *it*." Jesus said in Mark 16:15-18, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved. But he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." Yes, Jesus said, those who believe Him can use His name to heal the sick.

### Is receiving Holy Spirit separate from receiving Jesus in your heart?

In John 3:5 Jesus is having a conversation with Nicodemus. Jesus tells Nicodemus that "unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." The conversation continues with Nicodemus, and Jesus said, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:14-15 Later Jesus was talking to the Samaritan woman saying, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, Give Me a drink, you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water. John 4:10] In John 4:14 Jesus said to her," but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." John 7:37-39 Jesus stood and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." ["But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified." [John 7:39] John 20:21-22 After being raised from the dead by Holy Spirit, Jesus came to the disciples and said, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." Jesus breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." [His disciples had walked with Jesus on the earth and participated in His ministry. They were saved.] Yet in Acts 1:4, 5, 8 before Jesus ascended to heaven to be with His Father again, He said to His disciples who already believed Him, to wait for the Promise of the Father..."For John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now...But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem and in all Judea and

Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” [The disciples of Jesus that already believed Him and were saved/had eternal life, but they still prayed for the promise of the Father that Jesus spoke of--for the Holy Spirit to be sent to earth. Also awaiting the Holy Spirit’s arrival was Mary, the mother of Jesus and His brothers. Acts 1:14 Acts 2:1-4 described what happened when the Holy Spirit arrived on earth on the Day of Pentecost, “And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” In Acts 8:5-13 Phillip preached to the Samaritans and the multitudes in the city believed Jesus and were saved/had eternal life, and received baptism in water. However Acts 8:14-17 says “Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, who when they had come down prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.” When we believe in Jesus, by faith, we are saved and have eternal life, and are cleaned, and sanctified with the washing of water by His Word. John 5:24; 15:3; Romans 10:8-13; John 15:3; Ephesians 5:26 We are born again of God, as His children, when we receive the baptism with the Holy Spirit. John 1:12-13; 1:33, 3:5; 7:37-39 And we are called to practice righteousness as born again children of God. John 3:20-21; Romans 8; I John 3:10

## What if someone does not receive the gift of speaking in tongues?

In I Corinthians 14:1-2, the Word of God said to “pursue love and desire spiritual *gifts*...” “For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands *him*; however in the spirit he speaks mysteries.” Jude 1:20 says “But you beloved, building yourself up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit.” Romans 8:26-28 says “Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the heart knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*. And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God to those who are the called according to *His purpose*. How then can a compassionate God and Father make available such a great help for His children and not let them receive it? It’s available to all who desire it. I

Corinthians 14:1; Psalm 37:4 Ask for it. Matthew 7:7-11 Believe your Father loves you and wants you to have His gift. Luke 11:13 For the Word of God says, “For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my understanding is unfruitful...” I Corinthians 14:14 Begin by faith to believe God and focus on Him -- then speak the sounds from your heart and pray to Father. Do not think about the sounds with your mind. I Corinthians 14:14 Like a baby just learning to speak, each time you speak to your Father in the Spirit, your language will get clearer, but your Father hears and understands you. I Corinthians 14:2 It is a person’s choice to receive Father’s free gift or to reject it.

## What does God's Word say about Receiving Communion?

In Luke 22:17-20 it says about Jesus, "Then He took the cup, and gave thanks and said, Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes," And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it and gave it to them saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." Likewise He took the cup after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you." Mark 14:22-26 described the Lord's Supper saying, "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take eat. This is My body." Then He took the cup and when He had given thanks He gave it to them and they all drank from it. And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many. Assuredly I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the Kingdom of God." And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives." Jesus instructs His disciples [learners and pupils\*] to take and eat the bread to remember that He gave His body for us; and to drink from the cup of His blood of our new covenant with God, to remember that He shed His blood for the remission of sins. [\*The Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible: Greek meaning of disciples 3101] To receive communion is an act of obedience to remember what our Lord has done by physically shedding His blood and giving His body for our redemption. In gratitude we symbolically eat the bread in representation of His body and drink fruit juice to symbolize His bloodshed for us. The Word of God cautions those who take communion to examine themselves as to not take the communion in an unworthy manner for there is judgment in dishonoring our Lord's sacrifice. [1 Corinthians 11:17-34]

## Does God always heal when we put our hands on and believe?

The Word of God says, And these signs shall follow those who believe....they will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." Mark 16:17-18 Psalm 89:34 "My covenant I will not break, nor alter the Word that has gone out of My lips." Titus 1:2 speaks saying, "in hope of eternal life which God who cannot lie promised..." God cannot lie and He spoke His Word through Jesus. John 12:50 In Matthew 17:14-21 the disciples of Jesus could not heal an epileptic boy, but Jesus healed the boy by rebuking the demon that was in the child. The disciples came to Jesus in private and asked Him, "why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief. For assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, Move from here to there, and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." The Word of God is true and God always does what He says He will do.