

Outer Growth - Soul

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

Son of God -----1 John 5:20

Opportunity - Galatians 6:10

Unity ----- Psalms 133:1

Life ----- Proverbs 3:22

The soul is the internal part of the human being that makes human life begin. In the book of Genesis, chapter one describes the creation of the entire universe. During that chapter, God created men and women in His image formed out of the dust from the ground itself. The integral part of human life came from the breath of God Himself: the soul. This part is spiritual and did not come from the ground but exists with Him. God added the spirit in humans to function and develop the earth. All the creations He made before adding humans are to manage them.

Jesus Christ is the missing link between the soul of man and God. In the New Testament, the book of Saint John verse sixteen of chapter three states, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Even though God made humans with a soul, He still let them have the freedom to choose whom they want to serve. A soul can sin through ignorance, touch any unclean thing, swear, or commit a trespass. However, redemption through the Son of God who made atonement for our sins enables us to ask the Father in heaven to cleanse our souls from sin. The soul being clean in the sight of God gives us the benefit of connecting with Him.

The convenience of the soul doing good, especially believers, will pay off at some point. The person who goes about planting good deeds to others, specifically the ones in need, will gain favor in the sight of God. The reap what you sow begins when we present our actions with sincerity and love. The receivers of those godly gestures will remember the giver and especially the delivery. The memory from those people will have such an impact on their lives that will affect them that they will have an appreciation for it. Some might not feel that way. However, the unappreciated will recognize and will not forget. Unity is the end word that is in unison with opportunity. The old saying, "united we stand, divided we fall," is truthful concerning the soul. A person that cares for others will receive friendly hospitality from neighbors, strangers, and family members. Statements like "such a kind soul" are the responses from someone who received help from a cheerful giver. Unity is harmony. People will not always have the same tastes and preferences. However, they should be united in their fundamentals. The soul is life. When the soul is no longer in the body, it decays. If a house has basic furniture and the essentials, and nobody is living inside, will it remain clean? Will it get

dirty? Either way, a place will get messy. However, if no one lives there for several months, the home will show signs of abandonment. Spiders, and cobwebs, will be excessive throughout the house because the soul is not present.

The soul is where life begins. The soul absent is also where life ends. Any foundation that does not have the spirit regulating around it will show signs of inactivity. The importance of a soul is clear from the Bible, where God put life into the body to operate the world. What we put into our soul and what comes out of it will be our responsibility and will eventually direct our eternal destiny.