

Our trinity, God's trinity 1 of 2

Hi all,

We all want to flow better with the Lord, but for me, understanding the trinity of God and then the trinity of man, helps understand how He communicates and flows within us.

It also provides a picture in our minds about the flow from the Father to us. For me this has been key to walking with the Father and distinguishing between 'is it me or is it God?'

The trinity of God and man - it's this simple

Father-Spirit-Son
spirit-soul-body

That's the flow - the Father is the source of all good things, from Him flows the Holy Spirit, to the Son. We are in His image and likeness, so we flow from our spirit, out to our soul, to our body.

Jesus said the Father is a spirit in John 4:24. He IS a spirit, but we struggle to think of Him that way because we think of a spirit as being a cloud, a vapor, ghost-like. And in those terms we say 'God is everywhere'. That contributes to the idea He is some sort of cloud or nebula in space. Wrong.

The Father is seen in the whole of The Revelation 4 when the apostle is brought to heaven before Him. He is very solid, though a spirit.

He sees the Father on His throne with a rainbow over it and a clear flooring before it. There are multi-winged cherubs crying out 'holy, holy, holy' around Him. It is to Him in 5:7 the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the one who had been slain but is alive forevermore, comes and 'takes the book out of the right hand of Him who sits on the throne.' (When you are in the Spirit you can see the Father, but in the flesh no man can see Him and live, the human body would be destroyed before His purity)

In Daniel 7:9-13 Daniel is given a preview of what John saw in The Revelation. Daniel describes the Ancient of Days on His throne, His white wavy hair, to whom the Son of Man comes to receive a kingdom which will have no end.

The Father is a spirit. Yet He is solid. He is always seen as seated on a throne. (see also Exodus 24:7-11, Ezekiel 1) So we have to renew the mind to the fact though spirit, He is solid, on a throne, and this is somewhere, a fixed place called heaven, in that realm.

How is God everywhere?

The verses that show the Father as the source of all good things are too numerous to detail here, But a few are worth mentioning.

James 1:16-18 we are told not to err, every good and perfect gift comes from the Father. Hebrews 12:9 where He is the Father of Spirits, and Ephesians 1 where we are told the Father used Jesus's sacrifice to adopt us to Himself, and so on. In I Corinthians 15:27-28 we are told when the Father has subdued all things under the feet of Jesus, Jesus will turn everything back to the Father that He may be all in all.

If the Father is on His throne as seen in The Revelation 4, Daniel 7, Ezekiel 1 and so on, then how is He everywhere? Being on a throne fixes Him to one spot.

Let me ask you this

Right now you are physically somewhere, maybe seated at home. But if I ask you to stop and remember back to a favorite childhood memory, you can 'go there' in your mind. You are back in time, mentally. If I ask you to think about what you will be doing tomorrow, you can think ahead to your activities. You do all that while seated at home reading this.

Jesus said in John 15:26 the Holy Spirit 'proceeds' from the Father. The Holy Spirit flows from the Father. The Holy Spirit relates to and functions therefore as the soul of the Father. The mind, will, humor. By His Spirit, who functions as His mind, He is everywhere, sees all, knows all - all while

seated on His throne in heaven. He is every present, so while seated on that throne by the Holy Spirit who functions as His soul, He is also seeing past and future.

Thus, we cannot separate the Father from His Spirit. Father and Spirit are one. In the same way, our spirit and soul are one. No one can separate our spirit and soul.

Hebrews 4:12-13

Hebrews 4:12-13 tells us the Person of the Word, not ink on a page, but the living Word is sharper than any sword, dividing between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and critiques our thoughts and intents of the heart.

So here in Hebrews 4:12 we have the heart of man, which is comprised of spirit and soul. Sometimes a verse will emphasize the spirit, sometimes a verse will emphasize the soul, and sometimes a verse will focus on both soul and spirit which make the heart of man.

Notice the grammar. The first of each identifies the function. The soul and spirit, joints and marrow, thoughts and intents of the heart. The soul functions as a joint between spirit and body, it is the place of thoughts. The spirit relates to the marrow, the core of us all, where blood is made, and it is the place of our intentions.

This is the same as God. The Father is a spirit, the source of life, and the deepest intentions. The Holy Spirit functions as a joint between the Father and Son (body), and the Holy Spirit carries the thoughts of the Father. He functions as the soul, and being made as God, our soul functions as the joint between our body and spirit. It is like the middle point of a teeter totter.

The Holy Spirit we are told in John 16:13, "Will not speak of Himself, but only what He hears." In I Corinthians 2:10-11 we are told the Holy Spirit searches the Father's heart for what He has prepared for us. In this same way our soul searches our heart (spirit) for our deepest intent and purpose.

The Father relates to our spirit man, the Holy Spirit functions as the soul of the Father, and Jesus is the body. We are created in Him image so our trinity is the same: We flow from our spirit to our soul to our body.

That is all pretty challenging if you are contemplating these things for the first time. Next week we will look at this flow from the Father by His Spirit to His Son - spirit to soul to body. We are in His image, after His likeness.

As many have struggled with the triune God, we have no further to look than ourselves. When we understand the flow from our spirit to our soul and out to our body, it becomes easy to flow with the Father. Until then, blessings,

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God's trinity our trinity, 2 of 2

Hi all,

Last week I shared how the trinity of man is made in the likeness of the trinity of God.

I shared how we are spirit and soul and body, so God is the same way. The Father is a spirit, the Holy Spirit functions as the soul, and Jesus functions as His body.

This is why there are no prayers to the Holy Spirit in the New Testament.

I know that upsets the theology of some, but the truth is, the Holy Spirit only listens (as He is the soul) for what the heart of the Father (spirit) has prepared for us.

Consider it another way, the Father is on His throne in heaven. Jesus has ascended to heaven. The only one ministering on the earth today is the Holy Spirit. Why? Because the Father flows from Himself by the Spirit to the body (of Christ).

We don't pray to the Holy Spirit. Jesus said in the Lord's Prayer we are to ask of the Father. In John 16:23 Jesus said in the day when He is gone from us, "In that day you will ask me nothing. You will ask the Father and He will give it to you."

I Corinthians 2:10-12 tells us the Holy Spirit 'searches' the Father for what He has for us, and it says; "...we have the Spirit so we can know the things the Father has prepared for us."

That put the Holy Spirit right in the middle between the Father God and the body (the Lord Jesus, the body of Christ). Your soul is in between your spirit and body. Sometimes you listen to your body - I'm hungry, I'm thirsty, I'm sleepy - and sometimes you listen to your spirit: "I need some worship", "I don't sense in my spirit this job is for me", "I'm hungry for the Word."

Your soul is in the middle in the same way the Holy Spirit is in the middle. From earth to heaven He carries our prayers to the heart of the Father, and from heaven to earth He carries the answers or response to us. spirit-soul-body, body-soul-spirit.

So then people ask; Is it wrong to pray to the Holy Spirit to ask things? What did Jesus say? Look at the prayers of Acts and the epistles - the apostles believed and obeyed Jesus, praying to the Father. Sometimes people ask me why their prayers are ineffective, and when I listen to them or ask them, I find they are asking the Holy Spirit, or asking Jesus for things - that's direct disobedience to Jesus and the practice of the New Testament.

So they have to decide if they will change their theology to what Jesus and the Word actually say and what the authors of the NT practiced, or continue in their man-made theology asking the Holy Spirit for things, which leaves them ineffective in their prayer life. He merely carries the messages and searches the Father for what He has, so says (again), I Corinthians 2:9-12.

But let us move on to the flow from heaven. We really are the body of Christ.

I shared how no one can separate the Father from His Spirit just as no one can separate our spirit and soul. In heaven, people are spirit and soul.

They look the same though minus time and earth's ravages, they have all their senses, but they are spirit and soul, lacking their redeemed body. Paul wrote in Romans 8:22-23 says we are waiting for the 'redemption of the body'. One day we will have that glorified body, made of heavenly material, sinless and with the nature of God. Our body today has the nature of earth and wants to sin, but we are promised a body of heavenly material in I Corinthians 15:39-49 that only wants righteousness.

Today let us look at that flow in more detail

The Revelation 22:1: "And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, flowing out of the throne of God (Father)..."

The River of Life flows from the Father. Where does it flow?

In John 7:38-39 Jesus said: "He who believes on me, out of his belly will flow rivers of Living water (this He spoke of the Spirit which would be given to those who believe in Him)."

The flow leaves the Father, John identifies the river as the Spirit, and it flows into our spirit (we are the body of Christ.) As we pray, this river branches out into rivers of life flowing to give life to all we pray for. From the Father by the Spirit to the body of Christ. spirit-soul-body.

I've had as many as 10 different languages when I've prayed for different people and situations in tongues over a 2 hour period. Each one is a river of life watering that particular concern. The river of life flowing from the Father pours by the Holy Spirit into our spirit, and then we pray out that Life to water all these things in our lives and for those we pray for. spirit-soul-body to spirit-soul-body.

We see this same flow in Matthew 3:16-17:

"...and Jesus came up out of the water and he (John the Baptist) saw the Spirit descend upon Him...and a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son...'" Notice, the Father from heaven spoke as the Spirit flowed to Jesus. Father-Spirit-Jesus. spirit-soul-body

Jesus said in John 5:19 that He only did what He saw the Father do - so the Father was doing things, Jesus saw by the Spirit what He was doing, and then did it. The same flow, Father-Spirit-Jesus. spirit-soul-body

We are created in His image and likeness, so we are created to flow the same way.

Father-Spirit-Son, spirit-soul-body

In I Thessalonians 5:23 Paul writes:"May your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

The flow for us then is spirit to our soul and then outward again to our body. spirit-soul-body. This is why tongues is so fulfilling, so uplifting. The Father sends His will by the Spirit to our spirit (we are the body of Christ), then we flow that our our soul with our body. Praying in tongues involves our spirit and soul and body in that exact flow. We are one with Him. Father to Spirit to body, which flows into our spirit to our soul and out our body. We are one in Him, He is one in us. One flow.

Many will relate how fulfilling it is to flow spirit-soul-body in other ways. Some examples would be visiting with a friend and suddenly have something in your spirit for them. Your mind recognizes something in your spirit, an idea, some wisdom, and your soul grabs it and out your mouth it flows to your friend. It feels SO good, because you have just flowed as designed:spirit to soul to body.

Another example would be in worship. You are singing in tongues out your spirit to your soul which is focused on thoughts of the Lord, and out your mouth the worship flows:spirit-soul-body. It is fulfilling because we are functioning on all 3 parts.

Next week I'm going to share more of what the Father and Lord taught me on this, specifically how He flows in His emotions to us. These last 2 weeks have been a challenge for some. Read The Revelation chapters 4 and 5 to see the Father on His throne. Read Daniel 7 to see the Father as the Ancient of Days. The Father is STILL on His throne, but He is everywhere by the Holy Spirit, who functions as His soul, His mind. The Spirit as Jesus said, 'proceeds' from the Father, just as our soul proceeds from our spirit.

There is so much more, next week, the emotions of the Father...until then, blessings,
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