

# CONSIDER YOUR SOUL

What actually is your SOUL? According to a Bible Dictionary it is, "the natural life of the body -- the invisible part of a person -- the seat of one's personality -- the seat of the conscious element of man, that by which he perceives, reflects, feels, desires -- the seat of will and purpose -- the seat of appetite -- the inward man -- the seat of the new life."

The Soul is invisible, can't be seen with the eyes, can't be felt with the hands -- but is a very real part of every one of us. We as human beings ALL have a Soul -- animals do not have a soul -- fish in the sea do not have a soul -- plants and trees do not have a soul -- WE ARE VERY UNIQUE! -- God made us SPECIAL!

We as humans are divided into three parts -- Spirit, Soul, and Body -- *"Now may the very God of Peace sanctify you completely -- and may your whole Spirit, Soul and Body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ"* (1 Thessalonians 5:23).

Jesus warned us -- *"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"* (Matthew 10:28).

And another warning by Jesus -- *"What is a man profited if he gains the whole world, and loses his own Soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his Soul?"* (Matthew 16:26).

So we see that we can lose this most integrate part of our beings by selling out to the devil, as Adam and Eve did in the Garden of Eden.

There is much said about the Soul in both the Old and New Testaments indicating that it is a most important part of each of us and must be seriously considered while we sojourn on this earth -- before we face Eternity.

The Psalmist says, *"Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, of those who hope in His mercy, to deliver their Soul from death"* (Psalm 33:18,19). And again, *"The Lord redeems the Soul of His servants, and none of those who trust in Him shall be condemned"* (Psalm 34:22).

King David says, *"Truly my Soul silently waits for God -- from Him comes my Salvation"* (Psalm 62:1) -- and -- *"O God, You are my God -- early will I seek you -- my Soul thirsts for You"* (Psalm 63:1).

And later on David cries out, *"Bless the Lord, O my Soul -- and all that is within me, Bless His Holy name!"* (Psalm 103:1,2).

Therefore we can conclude that our Soul is a very valuable part of our being -- and must be protected at all cost -- that is to say -- we must be alert to the schemes of the devil at all times -- *"because your adversary the devil, as roaring lion, walks about, seeking whom he may devour"* (1 Peter 5:8).

Here is a very simple solution to the problem of dealing with the devil -- *"Submit yourself to God -- Resist the devil -- and he will flee from you!"* (James 4:7) -- WOW -- What an Assurance -- What a Promise -- What a Blessed Hope we are given.

First and foremost -- "SUBMIT YOURSELF TO GOD!"

Second -- "RESIST THE DEVIL!"

Third -- "AND HE WILL FLEE FROM YOU!"

**VICTORY ASSURED!**

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