How We Were Designed

1 Thessalonians 5:19-24

Do not quench the Spirit...examine everything *carefully...* Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

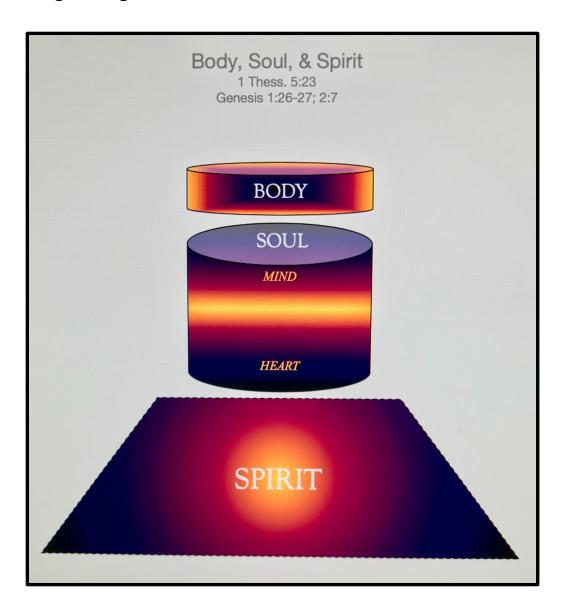
Our Original Design

Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness...God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them...

The Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

- 1. "The Image of God"
- 2. "A Living Being"





The Death of Our Spirits

Genesis 2:16-17

The Lord God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; "but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die."

Ephesians 2:1

And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, 2 in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world...

Titus 3:3

We [were] once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

Coming Back to Life

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus...

Titus 3:4-6

⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared, ⁵ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior...

