



Basics of Righteousness

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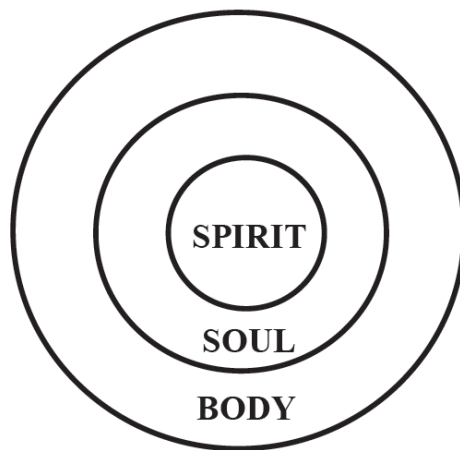
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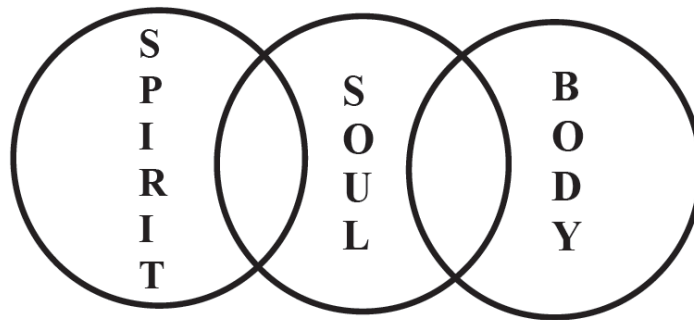
Anatomy of Your Spirit

Lesson 1

I. Spirit, Soul, and Body

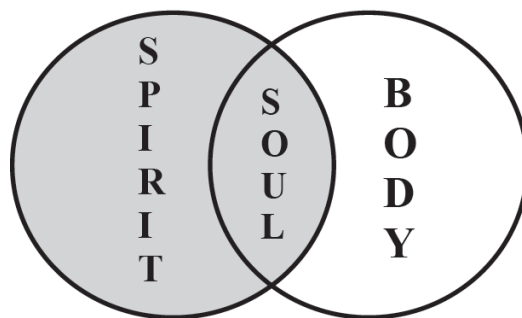
- A. I Thessalonians 5:23
- B. You are a three-part being.
- C. Your spirit is born again. – II Corinthians 5:17
- D. Your identity needs to be who you are in the spirit.





II. Spirit and Body Are Not Joined Together

- A. There is no connection between the physical world and the spiritual world except the soul. – John 3:6
- B. Your soul is made up of your mind, will and emotions.
- C. Your heart is a combination of your spirit and soul.



- D. Originally, the way God created it, your spirit and soul worked together.
 - 1. Victory happens when your soul and spirit are in agreement.
 - 2. Your soul determines whether you follow your body or your spirit.

III. Being Born Again

- A. John 3:3-8
- B. Your spirit is born again – God took out your old sin nature and put in His nature.
 - 1. We all have a sin nature, and our spirit is separated from God until we are born again.
- C. You cannot contact the Spirit except through the Word. – John 6:63
- D. God’s Word is a perfect representation of who you are in the spirit.
- E. II Corinthians 5:17-18
- F. Your body is not saved. You do not have a glorified body yet.

G. Your soul is not saved.

IV. Your New Spirit

A. I John 4:17

B. Your new spirit is perfect.

C. Your new spirit is complete.

D. Your new spirit is identical to Jesus'.

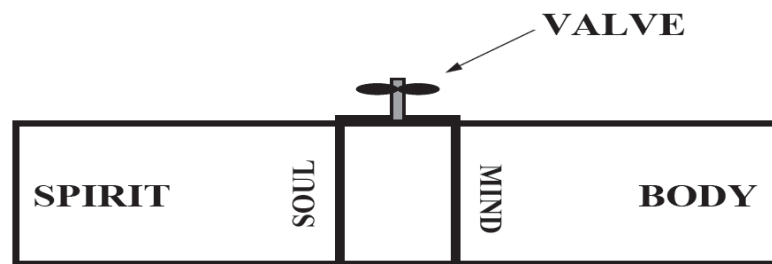
E. You have perfect faith.

F. I John 2:20 – You have an unction from the Holy One.

Your mind can release the life of God into your life, or it can constrain it.

V. Your Mind

A. Your mind is the valve.



- B. Through renewing your mind, it releases what is on the inside of you.
- C. You can experience heaven right here on earth to the extent that you will renew your mind.
- D. You're not fighting to get healed, or be prosperous, etc. – you already are.

VI. Further Study

- A. Write down several scriptures that tell who you are in your spirit after you're born again (i.e.: "you are the righteousness of God;" "you are holy, blameless," etc.).
- B. Why is it important to renew your mind?
- C. Which part, do you believe, seems to have the most influence over your life right now – your spirit, your soul, or your body? Explain.

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Our Spirit is Righteous

Lesson 2

I. True Righteousness

- A. Ephesians 4:24
- B. When you were born again, your spirit was created in righteousness and holiness.
 - 1. You aren't becoming righteous, you ARE righteous.
- C. There are two types of righteousness. – Romans 10:1-3
 - 1. Self-righteousness – to relate to people
 - 2. God's righteousness – to relate to God

- D. Your new man, in the spirit, is as righteous, pure, and holy as Jesus is.
- E. Your spirit never loses its relationship with God.
- F. You must approach Him on the basis of what He has done in your spirit and who you are in Christ, not on what you have done in your flesh.
- G. When you focus on your identity in Christ instead of your sinful nature, you will experience freedom and victory in your life.

II. Your Spirit is Sealed

- A. Ephesians 1:13
- B. After you believed, you were sealed.
- C. Sin takes place in your body or soul, but not in your spirit.

III. You Are as Jesus Is

- A. I John 4:17
- B. Think about yourself the way God does.

You are a brand-new person in Christ; start acting like it!

- C. You have THE faith of the Son of God.
 - 1. Romans 12:3
 - 2. Galatians 2:16, 20

IV. You Are One with Him in Spirit

- A. I Corinthians 6:17
- B. One Spirit – Heis – “a singular one to the exclusion of the other”
- C. Your spirit is one with Jesus. Your spirit is identical to His.
- D. Galatians 4:6 – At the new birth, God took out your old, dead spirit and put in Jesus’ Spirit.
- E. Romans 12:2 – Your old spirit is gone, but your mind will still be programmed to think the way you used to think until your mind is renewed and transformed by the Word.
- F. Romans 8:9

V. You Are Complete in Christ

- A. All of the limitations that are on your physical body and soul do not apply in your spirit.
 - 1. To the degree that you can identify with who you are in Christ, you can experience the supernatural life that's in your spirit flowing out through your body and soul.
 - 2. Psalm 78:41 – Do not limit God!
- B. Colossians 2:9-10
- C. Romans 5:8-9

VI. Further Study

- A. Would you say that you are a person who is performance and/or works orientated – in other words, do you feel that God's love for you and acceptance of you depends on how well you perform? Explain.
- B. From this lesson, write down some of the insights you received concerning your new spirit man.

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Eternal Redemption

Lesson 3

I. Review

- A. You are a three-part being – Spirit, Soul, and Body.
 - 1. John 6:63
 - 2. James 1
- B. Your spirit is the part of you that is born again.
 - 1. II Corinthians 5:17
- C. You are created in righteousness and true holiness.
 - 1. Ephesians 4:24

D. You are as Jesus is.

1. I John 4:17

E. Your spirit is sealed.

1. Ephesians 1:13

II. Jesus Obtained Eternal Redemption for Us

A. Hebrews 9:9-15

1. Old Covenant – sacrifices were made as a constant reminder that the wage of sin is death.

2. New Covenant – Jesus was the ultimate sacrifice.

B. Hebrews 10:1-2 – Once you are born again, you should have no consciousness of sin.

C. Hebrews 9:23-28; Hebrews 10:10-14 – ONE sacrifice for ALL, forever; perfected forever

D. ALL sins are forgiven – past, present, and future.

E. You do not need to continually confess your sins.

F. Hebrews 12:22 – Your spirit is made perfect.

- G. I John 3:9 – Your spirit cannot sin.
- H. I John 1:9 – Acknowledge your sin and your need for a Savior.

III. You Are Born a Sinner with a Sin Nature

- A. Romans 6
- B. Two reasons to live holy:
 - 1. Your new nature compels you toward righteousness.
 - 2. When you yield to sin, you're yielding to Satan. – John 10:10
 - a. Application for I John 1:9 – removes the power of Satan in your life
- C. Romans 6:20-23
 - 1. Just as goodness doesn't change the sinful nature of a lost man, your sin doesn't change your righteous nature after you are born again.
- D. God will not reject you based on your actions, but people may.

IV. Further Study

- A. Knowing that your born-again spirit has no desire to sin, what should you do when you are tempted to sin?
- B. Why is it important for you to live holy?
- C. Share about an area in your life where your mind has been renewed and your behavior or attitude has been changed as a result.

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Security of the Believer

Lesson 4

I. Promises of Separating from the Ungodly

A. II Corinthians 7:1

1. Cleansed "from," not "of," all filthiness
2. Spirit – mental disposition; attitude

II. Once Saved, Always Saved?

A. I Corinthians 3:10-15

B. Jesus is the foundation.

C. Your life is either built on godly things or your own things.

- D. God relates to us based on who we are in the spirit.

III. Rejecting Your Salvation

- A. Hebrews 6:1-6
- B. If you reject your salvation, there is no repentance – you can't be born again, again.
 - 1. I Peter 1:3-5 – You can't lose your salvation, but you have the free will to renounce or reject it.
 - 2. II Peter 1:5-11

Sin won't cause you to lose your salvation, but it will cause your heart to become hard toward God and allow Satan to have an inroad into your life.

- C. This applies to people who:
 - 1. Were enlightened
 - 2. Have experienced salvation
 - 3. Have been baptized in the Holy Spirit
 - 4. Have received revelation of the Word

5. Have operated in the gifts of the Spirit
- D. You can't reject your salvation as an immature Christian – you are not held accountable.
 1. Romans 1:25-32 – You will be given over to a reprobate mind.
 - a. If you still love the Lord, this does not apply to you.
 2. II Timothy 2:11-13
- E. I Peter 1:4-5
- F. Titus 2:11-12
- G. I John 3:1-3
 1. If you truly know the grace of God, you will seek to live a holy and pure life.
- H. Hebrews 10:15-29 – willful rejection of the Lord
- I. Mark 3:28-29
- J. Romans 1:18-20
- K. John 16:8-11 – Sin is the result of not trusting Jesus.

- L. Romans 6:20-22
 - 1. Your righteous acts can't change your sin nature.
 - 2. Your sinful acts can't change your righteous nature.

IV. Further Study

- A. Has there ever been a time in your Christian life when you felt like you had lost your salvation because of something you had done? If so, describe the occasion.
- B. How did you deal with it so that you were able to go on in your walk with the Lord?

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The Faith of God

Lesson 5

I. Faith

- A. Luke 17:3-10
- B. Realize you have it.
 - 1. The problem isn't lack of faith; it is unbelief.
 - 2. Philemon 1:6
 - 3. The reason some Christians do not operate in faith is because they fail to recognize that they already have it.
- C. Learn how to use it.

II. Faith is a Gift of God

- A. Ephesians 2:8-9
 - 1. God gave you the faith to be saved.
- B. Romans 10:17
- C. Human faith – physical knowledge
- D. Supernatural faith – believing things apart from your senses

III. God's Faith – Supernatural Faith

- A. God's faith is imparted through the Word. – I Peter 1:23
- B. Call those things that be not as though they are. – Romans 4:17
- C. Faith is a fruit of the Spirit. – Galatians 5:22-23
- D. In our spirits, we have THE measure of faith. – Romans 12:3
- E. We were justified by THE faith of Christ. – Galatians 2:16

***Remember that you have the same faith that raised
Jesus from the dead on the inside of you.
Ephesians 1:18-20***

IV. The Laws of Faith

- A. II Peter 1:1-4 – We have the identical faith that Peter had.
- B. Romans 3:27 – law of faith
- C. There are things that you can do that will make the power of God manifest.
 - 1. It is like electricity – it has been provided for us, but it is up to us to turn on the lights.
 - 2. Psalm 45:11
 - 3. Matthew 10:8
 - 4. You have to take your God-given authority.
- D. Isaiah 45:11

- E. You can command the power of God.
 - 1. Mark 5:21-34
 - 2. Faith releases the power of God.
- F. You can have what you say.

Recognize that you already have faith – you don't have to get it, you have to release it.

V. Reject Unbelief

- A. Turn off the sources of unbelief. Unbelief comes by hearing anything that is contrary to the Word of God.
 - 1. Isaiah 54:17 – Words are weapons.
 - 2. Condemn words that are contrary to the Word of God.
- B. As long as you can live without healing, prosperity, joy, peace, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, etc., you will.
 - 1. Be desperate and committed to see the power of God flow through you.

2. Matthew 11:12 – The violent take it by force.

VI. Further Study

- A. Use a concordance to look up the verses in the New Testament that deal with faith. Write out on 3x5 cards the ones that really speak to you. Meditate on these scriptures so that your mind can be renewed in this area and your faith can grow.
- B. Describe an area or situation in your life that is a “faith project” for you right now. Write down the scriptures that you are standing on to build your faith.

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The Mind of Christ

Lesson 6

I. You Have the Mind of Christ

A. I Corinthians 2:1-16

1. Present the message by demonstrating the Spirit and of the power of God.
2. Speak of God's hidden wisdom (tongues).
3. We can only know the things of God through the Spirit.
4. The Word of God and the Spirit will always be in agreement.

B. Psalm 36:9

1. The Holy Spirit has to enlighten the Word to us.

C. I John 2:20, 27 – Your spirit knows ALL things.

***Your spirit man knows everything that Jesus knows.
– Colossians 3:10***

II. Drawing on the Holy Spirit

A. Be convinced that you already have the wisdom and knowledge of the Holy Spirit.

B. I Corinthians 2:6-7 – Speaking in tongues

C. I Corinthians 14:1-4, 13-14 – Praying in tongues and interpretation

1. When you pray in tongues, it is your spirit that prays.

2. In order to keep your mind from straying, pray with your understanding while you are praying in tongues.

a. God can use this to interpret what you are praying in the spirit.

- b. Keep in mind that your spirit knows all things and reveals things to you when you pray in the spirit.
 - c. Proverbs 3:5 – Lean not on your own understanding; lean on His understanding because He understands all things.
- D. Colossians 3:15 – Let the peace of God rule in your heart.

III. Further Study

- A. Have you had a situation in your life where you had knowledge of something but that knowledge didn't come to you through hard facts? If so, describe that situation and the outcome of it.
- B. Has the revelation that you have the mind of Christ, that you know all things, made a difference in your life? Explain.
- C. Are there any areas in your life where you are experiencing indecision, lack of peace, or confusion? If so, write down those areas. What are you doing about it?

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The Fruit of the Spirit

Lesson 7

I. Speaking in Tongues

- A. Acts 2:4 – The Holy Spirit inspires YOU to speak in tongues.
- B. Mark 16:17 – They will speak with new tongues.
- C. Luke 11:13 – All we have to do is ask!
- D. Praying in tongues bypasses your brain and speaks directly to God.
- E. Praying in tongues edifies you; it builds you up spiritually.
- F. You have control over speaking in tongues. You can start and stop at any time.

II. The Fruit of the Spirit

- A. Galatians 5:22 – Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance
- B. It is “fruit” of the Spirit – singular, not plural.
- C. One fruit described by nine different attributes.
 - 1. Every born-again spirit has all nine attributes.
- D. The fruit of the Spirit is constant in your spirit man.

III. God’s Kind of Love

- A. I Corinthians 13:4-8 – Your spirit:
 - 1. Is longsuffering and kind
 - 2. Is not envious or jealous
 - 3. Is not selfish or boastful
 - 4. Does not behave unseemly
 - 5. Thinks no evil

6. Bears and endures all things
7. Believes and hopes all things
8. Never fails

You have everything it takes to be 100% successful!

IV. Line Up Your Physical Mind with What's True in the Spirit

- A. II Kings 6:16 – “They that be with us are more than they that be with them.”
 1. If you only acknowledge that the physical world is true, then Elisha lied.
- B. There's another world besides the physical realm.
 1. You don't have to ignore the natural realm, but deny that it has the right to dominate and control you.
- C. To access the fruit of the Spirit, the first step is to know that it's there.
- D. You have to step outside of the Spirit in order to think carnally.

V. The New You

- A. Always has joy
- B. Always has love
- C. Can do all things
- D. Is never out of control
- E. Never operates in fear

VI. Further Study

- A. Use a concordance to look up scriptures on joy. Write out on 3x5 cards the ones that really speak to you. Spend time meditating on these scriptures.
- B. Write out I Corinthians 13:4-8. Now make a list of the words used to describe God's love.

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Reality of Faith

Lesson 8

I. The Spirit Realm

- A. There are things that happen in the spiritual realm without manifesting in the physical realm.
- B. John 4:24 – God moves in the spirit realm.
 - 1. Matthew 7:7-8
 - 2. I John 5:14-15
 - 3. II Corinthians 1:20
- C. You can, by faith, take what God has already released into the spirit realm and bring it into the physical realm.
 - 1. Ephesians 3:20

2. God's power can be limited by your belief/unbelief.

II. Definition of Faith

- A. Hebrews 11:1 – "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."
- B. Faith gives physical reality, or substance, to things hoped for.
- C. Hebrews 11:3 – Faith isn't the evidence of things that don't exist; they exist in an unseen realm.
- D. The spiritual world created the physical world. The parent force is greater than what it created.
- E. Substance means tangibility.
- F. Hope means it's in the future or it's in an unseen realm.

III. God Operates in the Unseen Realm

- A. Physical manifestation depends on if you can turn on, tune in, and take what is in the unseen realm and make it have physical evidence by believing,

speaking, and acting in agreement with what God says.

1. God uses people – people with the free will to either follow His direction or stop Him from flowing through them. People can be late, but God never is.
- B. This spiritual realm is inside of you.
- C. God has already answered every prayer that you've ever prayed.
- D. II Kings 6:14-16 – Elisha saw past the physical and said what was true.
- E. We need to stop looking at the physical realm and see with the eyes of our heart.
1. Carnal = someone who views the world by what they can see, taste, hear, smell, and feel.
- F. Adam and Eve had six senses.
1. Faith is the sixth sense. – II Corinthians 5:7

2. Adam and Eve walked in the spiritual realm and went into the natural. Gehazi went from the natural to the spiritual.
3. We need to train our physical senses to show that faith is just as valid as the other senses.

IV. Adjusting Our Outlook on Faith

- A. Faith isn't acting like something is so when it really isn't.
- B. Faith isn't denying that you have a problem, thinking that if you don't believe it exists, it will go away.
 1. Romans 4 – "... even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were."
- C. Faith doesn't make God move; God has already moved.

***Faith is the ability to perceive things that are real;
they are just in an unseen realm.***

V. Faith is Real

- A. There's a spiritual world, and there is a spiritual you. The spiritual you is the real you.
 - 1. John 6:63
 - 2. Spiritual truths are more real than physical truths.
 - 3. The physical world will pass away, but the spiritual world is eternal.
- B. Faith is speaking what is true in the spiritual realm.
- C. The Word of God shows you what reality is.
- D. God's power that is available to you is infinitely greater than any problem that is facing you.
- E. You must believe that you receive at the moment you pray, and command the hindrances of Satan and people to flee.
 - 1. Mark 11:24
 - 2. If you quit believing, you stop the power of God.