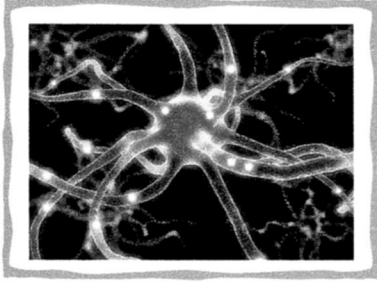


# MAN BECAME A LIVING SOUL

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A BIBLICAL STUDY - Genesis 2:4-7



“AND THE LORD GOD FORMED MAN OF THE DUST OF THE GROUND”

## THE DUST

1. Notice the two extremely different descriptions of the creation of man, Genesis 1:26-27 and Genesis 2:7. In the following cross references, what is emphasized concerning “dust?”
  - 1) Psalm 103:14
  - 2) Genesis 18:27
  - 3) Job 10:9
  - 4) Ecclesiastes 3:20; 12:7
  - How does this conflict with how unsaved man sees himself? Jer. 48:29
  - How does saved man see himself? Isaiah 64:8
2. Read the Hebrew definition for “formed” (side column). Has it been your understanding that God *only* formed Adam? Who else has God formed? Job 33:6; Jer. 1:5; Isaiah 44:21
  - In the course of a lifetime, what does God use to form His child into the servant He wants him/her to be? I Thessalonians 3:3
  - What is a good reminder when this “squeezing” process is not a pleasant one? Ro. 9:20

## THE BREATH OF LIFE

3. What prefaced man becoming a living soul? Gen. 2:7
4. What can be learned about this “breath of life”? (See definition 4 and 5 on side column)
  - 1) Job 33:4
  - 2) Is. 42:1, 5
  - 3) Ez. 37:5-6
  - 4) Acts 2:2

## A LIVING SOUL

5. There are over 400 OT references to the word “soul,” all of which have the definition of 5315. What three things does the Lord require of the soul? Deut. 4:29; 6:5; 10:12
6. How can this be possible? Deut. 30:6; Ps. 19:7; 23:3; 49:15
7. Compare/contrast the two types of souls:
 

<u>Redeemed</u>	<u>Wicked</u>
1) Ps. 42:1-2	1) Prov. 21:10
2) Ps. 62:5	2) Prov. 13:4
3) Ps. 63:1	3) Prov. 29:24
4) Ps. 130:5-6	4) Is. 3:9
8. Read I Cor. 15:45-49. Why did Paul compare two Adams?
9. How would you explain the difference between the soul and the spirit? Heb. 4:12

## HEBREW DEFINITIONS



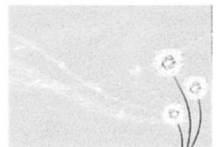
1. DUST (6083) “*aphar*” - dust as either powdered or gray; hence clay, earth, mud
2. CLAY (2563) “*chomer*” - a dry measure, a heap of earth, mire or clay
3. FORMED (3335) “*yatsar*” - to mould into a form; to press, squeezing into shape, especially as a potter
4. BREATH (7307) “*ruwach*” - wind; by resemblance breath; taken from to blow
5. WIND (Greek 4157) “*pnoe*” - respiration, a breeze; breath, wind.
6. SOUL (5315) “*nepesh*” - a breathing creature; (taken from) to be breathed upon.

“The spirit may be recognized as the life principle bestowed on man by God, the soul as the resulting life constituted in the individual...” - W. E. Vine

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Breathe on me breath of God,  
Fill me with life anew, That I  
may love what Thou dost love,  
And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure, Until  
with Thee I will Thy will, To do  
and to endure.



“ The Spirit of  
God hath made  
me, and the  
breath of the Al-  
mighty hath given  
me life.”  
- Job 33:4