

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

SICKNESS & SOUL DAMAGE

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PART 5: THE BRAIN AND THE SOUL

God created the body with a built-in healing system; however, when Adam and Eve sinned and their spirits died, their souls were contaminated by sin, and as a result, sickness could now manifest in the human body. Adam lived for 930 years before his body was worn out and it died. **Genesis 5:5**

God later set the limit for mankind's maximum time on earth to 120 years. **Genesis 6:3**

The body and its brain does not possess any intelligence or skills because they are located in the soul. **Exodus 31:1-6**

NO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Mankind discovered how to build a computer some 70 years ago. In the beginning they were bulky and used a lot of electricity. Over time the use of vacuum tubes was discarded and modern computers with their new and faster components went far beyond the capabilities of their predecessors.

When I began to write Bible studies and books in 1971, my primary tool was an old fashioned non-electric typewriter. This simple machine did not possess any artificial intelligence, it merely conveyed what I told it to write. If I made a mistake, I had to use whiteout and retype it.

Later I worked on an electric typewriter which allowed me to type faster and had an automatic whiteout function. If I made a mistake, I would activate the whiteout strip and make a correction. It was a huge step forward, but this typewriter still did not have any artificial intelligence.

From there I went to a Word Processor with a spell check which was like a scaled down version of a computer. This machine made it so that I did not need any white out correction; I simply corrected the mistake on the screen. The Word Processor needed an operator since it too did not possess any artificial intelligence and could not create anything by itself.

I felt that I had really stepped forward technologically with the era of the Personal Computer (PC). I was able to insert words, rearrange paragraphs and use all kinds of fonts. But the PC still did not possess any artificial intelligence, it was yet another machine that required an operator.

It is now twenty four years later and I am now using my fifth generation computer. It has all kinds of features and makes my life easier. In the old days I would write out the Scripture references, but now I use Bible software to look up scripture and paste them into my documents. What used to take me hours with a typewriter can now be done in a much shorter time. However, my latest computer also does not have any artificial intelligence.



THE HUMAN BRAIN

The human brain is a complex computer that has been pre-programmed by God.

It weighs about 3.3 pounds in an adult and the main part of the brain has some 200 billion neuron cells. These cells are connected to each other by synapses. There are some 125 trillion synapses in an adult human brain. The brain is a marvelous creation by God and man has never been able to build a computer of living cells.

Just like the previous typewriters, word processor and PC, the brain also does not possess any artificial intelligence, nor does it have the ability to reach a conclusion. The brain is a complex machine, and when we die, we will leave it behind on earth.

In much the same way that a PC can access data stored on its hard drive, the human brain has an enormous memory bank that stores all events from the moment of conception until the human body dies.

The soul has a parallel memory bank that is permanent and can never be deleted. As people age and possibly begin to experience dementia, brain cells are dying and memories begin fading away. In contrast, the soul does not age and it is just as young as when the person was first conceived.

When I typed this sermon outline, it is my soul and born again spirit that is doing the praying, thinking, and once thoughts have been formed in my soul and born again spirit, I use my brain to direct my fingers to the keyboard in order to enter my thoughts into my PC. Once I have finished, you will read it with your eyes, process it in your brain and then send the message to your soul/spirit to process and compare with what you have learned from the Bible.

THE SOUL

The soul of a man is from the spirit world and it is using the body as a physical vehicle on earth to operate in the physical world. But the soul is not just some kind of blob, it is a spiritual being consisting of a spiritual body and a mind. Thus the part of the soul that the Bible calls the mind is in essence the *real you*. All your talents, skills, intelligence, feelings, memory, etc., reside in the mind. When a man thinks, it is done in the soul and at the same time registered in the physical brain. In order to express himself on earth, a person must use the human brain.

In the Book of Revelation, Jesus revealed that the souls of them who had been killed for their faith in Christ had strong emotional feelings and could speak, hear and think. These were souls that resided in a physical human body. Jesus tells them to rest for a while and white robes were given to every one of them to clothe their spiritual soul bodies. **Revelation 6:9-11**

A TROUBLED SOUL WILL CAUSE SICKNESS IN THE BODY

All mental attacks from Satan and demons are directed at the soul. **Ephesians 6:10-12**

There are no physical weapons that we can use to fight Satan and his demons. **2 Corinthians 10:3-6**

We must put on spiritual armor to fight Satan. **Ephesians 6:13-18**

When the soul of a man is wounded, it will affect his entire body. **Psalms 6:1-7**

People will attack each other and cause soul damage. **Psalms 7:1-2**

Grief and sorrow will do great damage to the soul. **Proverbs 15:13**

A soul that is broken or wounded will cause the immune system to shut down. **Proverbs 17:22**

When a person is sick and the soul is unhappy, the soul will hinder the body from being healed. **Proverbs 18:14**

HOW IS A SOUL HEALED?

Your soul can be healed by following these four steps:

1. The soul must be saved. **Matthew 16:24-26**
2. The soul must forgive all wrongs done against him. **Matthew 6:14-15**
3. You can bring healing to someone you have hurt. **Proverbs 16:24**
4. Jesus is the healer of your soul. **Psalms 23:1-6**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?