

# Wholly Human: Spirit and Soul and Body

## Living with Soul

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Physical heart transplants do not change who the person is. There is more to us than meets the eye. Who we are as humans is more than skin deep.

Genesis 2:7 (The Message)

2 things about what it is to be human:

1. We are physical, made from the dirt
2. God breathed His breath into man and “man

became **a living soul.**”

There is something beyond the physical that is needed for life.

What is the soul? “The soul is the part of you that is not physical.” Darin Latham

**Question:** How would you describe the soul?

The soul is the part of us that brings life to the physical and continues after our physical body dies.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (NLT)

There is a physical realm that we can see, feel and touch and a spiritual realm that that we don’t see, feel and touch.

2 Corinthians 5:1-3 (NLT)

Paul was a tent maker and used this as an illustration for our bodies.

Greek philosophic thought was that the body was evil and death was like getting out of jail.

**Questions:** How does viewing our bodies as the Greeks did affect the way we live? Is there any way that you have viewed the body similar to the Greeks?

“The Christian hope is not **redemption from** the body but **redemption of** the body.” J.I. Packer

2 Corinthians 5:9 (NLT)

Many believe that whatever it is to be human is all in the physical brain. The Biblical worldview is that consciousness resides in our souls and is deeply integrated with our brain.

“I do not have a soul. I am a soul.”

**Question:** What is one way that this view of the soul is helpful?

Think of your soul as a 4 drawer chest.

1. Spirit
2. Intellect
3. Emotions
4. Will

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2 Corinthians 5:9 (NLT)

Every person that has ever lived still exists.

Matthew 16:26 (NLT) Jesus said there is nothing more valuable than your soul.

**Question:** How can you lose your soul?

Hebrews 9:27-28 (NLT)

**Question:** What will happen to your soul when you die? Have you made the choice to trust Jesus with you life?