

## The Spiritual Man

(Part 1)

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Galatians 6:1, "Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, **ye who are spiritual**, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted."

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1 Corinthians 2:14-15, "Now the **natural man** receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him; and he cannot know them, because they are spiritually judged. But **he that is spiritual** judgeth all things, and he himself is judged of no man."

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1 Corinthians 3:1, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto **spiritual**, but as unto **carnal**, as unto babes in Christ. I fed you with milk, not with meat; for ye were not yet able (to bear it): nay, not even now are ye able; for ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you jealousy and strife, are ye not carnal, and do ye not walk after the manner of men?"

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Romans 8:6-7, "For to be **carnally minded** is death; but to be **spiritually minded** is life and peace. Because the **carnal mind** is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be."  
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Mind of the flesh  
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To be spiritually minded is truly a matter of life and death!

## Dual Nature Of Man

- **Man is flesh**
  - 1 Corinthians 15:47
  - Genesis 2:7
- **Man is spirit**
  - Ecclesiastes 12:7
  - James 2:26
- Declared "**very good.**" **Genesis 1:31**
- Struggle to please God. **Romans 7:22-24; cf. 1 Corinthians 1-3**
- Cannot rule passions of the flesh **UNLESS** we will **it to be so!** **Romans 6:16-19; 2 Corinthians 10:4-5**

## Two Men

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| <p><b>Inner Man</b><br/>Spirit<br/>Spiritual Man</p> <p><b>To Rule</b><br/>(Romans 6:1-14)</p> | <p><b>Outer Man</b><br/>Flesh<br/>Natural Man<br/>Carnal</p> <p><b>Temptation</b><br/>(James 1:12-15)</p> |
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**It is the spirit of man that is open to fellowship with God.**

*Proverbs 20:27, "The **spirit of man** is the lamp of Jehovah, Searching all his innermost parts."*

*Colossians 3:9-10, "... lie not one to another; seeing that ye have put off the old man with his doings, and have put on the new man, that is being renewed unto knowledge **after the image of him that created him**"*

*Ephesians 3:19, "and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that ye may be **filled unto all the fulness of God.**"*

### Natural Man versus Spiritual Man 1 Corinthians 2:14-15

- **Natural man** - One who has confidence in the flesh (human wisdom). 1 Corinthians 1:12-13, 18ff; 2:3-5; 3:3-4
  - Glorifies self; jealousy, strife, contention (cf. James 3:14-16)
- **Spiritual man** - One who has confidence in God. Titus 3:5
  - Glorifies God; humility (Philippians 2:5-8);
  - No confidence in the flesh (Philippians 3:1-15; 2 Corinthians 4:5; Galatians 6:14; Ephesians 4:1-2; Galatians 2:20)

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### Two Men – Galatians 5

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| <p><b>Inner Man</b><br/><b>Spirit – Galatians 5:22ff</b><br/>"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, self-control ..."</p> | <p><b>Outer Man</b><br/><b>Flesh – Galatians 5:19ff</b><br/>"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are (these): fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousies, wraths, factions, divisions, parties, envyings, drunkenness, revellings, and such like ..."</p> |
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### Two Men – James 3

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| <p><b>Wisdom from above. James 3:17</b><br/>"Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without variance, without hypocrisy."</p> | <p><b>Wisdom NOT from above. James 3:14-16</b><br/>"Bitter jealousy and faction in your heart, glory not and lie not against the truth ...<br/><br/>... but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where jealousy and faction are, there is confusion and every vile deed."</p> |
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## Two Men – 1 John 2

**Love not the world.**

**1 John 2:15**

*“... love of the Father”*

*1 John 2:3-5, “And hereby we know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; but whoso keepeth his word, in him verily hath the love of God been perfected.”*

**Love of the world.**

**1 John 2:15**

*“If any man love the world*

*...*

*1 John 2:16*

- *“the lust of the flesh and*
- *the lust of the eyes and*
- *the vain glory of life,*

*is not of the Father, but is of the world.”* <sup>13</sup>

## Spirituality Is A Choice!

**The spiritual person is a product of free will.**

**Romans 6:16-18, 22**

*Romans 6:12-14 “Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, ... For sin shall not have dominion over you ...”*