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The Total Truth Revealed In Romans

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In the following excerpt from his last full-length book, Yes, I Am, Norman Grubb illustrates from Romans 7 and from his own personal experience how the law completes its full work: first to expose Satan's subtle lie that we are independently self-operated, and then to reveal the freedom and fulfillment that are ours when we understand how we function in spirit-union with Jesus Christ.

Paul opens the truth of the value of the law to us by illustrating it from his own experience, in Romans 7:7-25. It centers around the subtlety of the Ten Commandments, and particularly the one commandment which penetrates through outer acts to inner motive: "Thou shalt not covet." He explains how he was once quite unconscious of any tendency to covet—which he calls "being alive without the law." But later, on some occasion, this tenth commandment hit him. After a first reaction of "Not me—I'm not covetous," he was devastated to find in his heart every form of covetousness—"all manner of concupiscence," he calls it—and this bowled him over. It flooded him like a tidal wave. And so, he states, "sin revived, and I died" to any idea of self-ability to keep God's law. This experience was what God used to open his eyes to the fallacy of self-reliant selfhood and to lead him both into the experience and glorious understanding of "union truth": union with Satan replaced by union with Christ.

So Paul continues his teachings in Romans 7. Let us dig right in and examine in depth what the effects of the law are on us and learn about our final total deliverance from it—which occurs when we've reached the awakened and concerned stage, as Paul did over his temptation to covet.

First, we can clearly identify Paul's "man" as ourselves in our new creation,

...Paul exclaims, "That's it, that's it; it is not I, it is sin dwelling in me." It is not the redeemed Paul who is the culprit. It is indwelling sin. He sees it plainly to be not himself but something quite apart from himself. "It is no more I that do it, but sin that dwells in me."

because "delighting in the law of God after the inward man" (7:22) obviously implies it is someone who has the new-heart outlook of a redeemed son of God.

So here we are, inwardly delighting in God's law, and yet frustrated and defeated; challenged by the law, yet laughed at by sin, making it plain that it has us in its control. Here we are, as Paul said, not doing what we should do, and often doing what we hate to do.

But now, through this frustrated con-

dition, maybe sometimes lasting for years, we come to one clear recognition—facts force it upon us: our obvious inability to keep the law. We recognize also that the blame is not on us. We *want* to do the right thing but haven't the power: "To will is present with me, but how to perform that which is good I find not" (7:18)—so at last we can trace the trouble down to the culprit. What a vital revelation! It is not *I*, it is *sin* that dwells in me, *masquerading as self-effort*.

At last, light has begun to break in on us. Twice over (see verses 17 and 20) Paul

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At that time it would have appeared to Paul, and certainly to multitudes of us, that we are in a condition of permanent warfare. It looks as if we have two natures—my redeemed self that wants to do good, and indwelling sin which defies and defeats me—dog eating dog. And thousands of God’s people think that’s all it can be: a life of struggle, striving, and much failure... with self-condemnation.

And that, of course, is the big lie. But the vital point is that I can’t see it as a lie until I first have finally, once for all, got out of my system this delusion that I myself can do good or evil. It is because of this delusion that I either accept guilty failure or put on false self-righteousness. Paul, in that still mistaken idea about himself, had said (7:21), “When I would do good...”—but the catch is, a human *can’t* do good. That can only be done by Christ in us. And when Paul goes on to say, “...evil is present with me,” he equally can’t do evil, for that is Satan in us. But he didn’t then know that. Satan alone is the doer of evil; God alone is the doer of good.

But now came the breakthrough of this whole revelation to him—that the human is never anything but the vessel,

container, branch, etc., of the indwelling deity. Now he sees it! “The law has nothing to say to *me*. It is not *I* who am covetous; those sinful urges come from an altogether *different* source—not I, but indwelling sin.” The law has really been my friend...hanging over me and putting its pressure on me until at last I see my delusion about self-effort living. Until I see that *self-effort is Satan’s principle* the power of indwelling sin has me in its control.

So here is the revelation of total importance—or shall we say, the negative side of the total positive revelation. We can compare it to our prior experience in our unsaved days: I could not settle into the positive recognition of Christ as my substitute and sin-bearer until I first knew, in a total negative way, that I was a lost sinner, with my righteousness as filthy rags...and nothing I could do about it. Only then could I say, “Oh, I see! *He* took my place.”

So now, in this central battle raging around my redeemed self, how can I live my life as a consistent Christian and meet the challenge of the law and its “you oughts”? I cannot see the positive revelation of Christ living His life in me, replacing the false indweller, until I have first seen the total negative revelation of it—that the command has nothing to do with my “human” me except as my being a vessel or container, but has all to do with this false indweller who is still claiming to live in me and express himself through me. I learn that he grabbed me as I was trying to keep the commandments (an expression of self-effort) and “deceived me and slew me.” I can now see why it says “deceived me”—because sin was making a whole, lying claim to indwell and control me, while all the time really *Christ* was in me...and I didn’t know it. Until I did know it, and experience it, it meant

nothing to me and left sin in deceitful control of me. That was how the law with its “you oughts” also kept its control over me and brought me under its condemnation...while I was under this lying illusion of self-responsibility and equally in the delusion that sin dwelt in me instead of it really being Christ living in me.

My Personal Discovery of Total Truth

We have just seen, through Paul in Romans 7, the pivot upon which we turn from frustration and defeat in our newborn lives, coupled with so much guilt and condemnation, to being an “established, strengthened, settled” self. But only in the revelation of Romans 8:1-4 is one able to say with inner certainty, “*Yes, I am*—I am all that I have ever wanted to be: free to be my real self, and to help others to find their true selves.” So I will now add my own experience of the necessary preparation for this fresh leap of faith.

I was freed, at the time of my new birth, from the law’s condemnation as a sinner; but I thought that I myself, as a redeemed human, still had an obligation to fulfill the law. It was only later that I found I had been totally deceived in this. While, in my redeemed delight in the law, I thought I should be obeying it, Satan kept lyingly claiming his control over me and causing me to fulfill his flesh will.

I had to have one final, radical exposure of the nonsense of my supposed independence. Here is the value of Romans 7:1-6. Through its great light I at last saw I had *never* been independent. I also saw that until I consciously knew and entered into the reality of the cutoff from my old husband and my marriage to the new, I was “in between”—in an illusory condition of independence—and thus actually under the control of my old husband. So

the law completed its work by revealing this illusion to me, and grace revealed the reality of my new marriage. As I moved into that, the law ceased to exist as having an outer claim on me and was now being *inwardly* fulfilled in me. This is why (in 7:7-14) Paul puts such emphasis on the fulfilling through the law of God’s purposes for our freedom.

So Paul, with that God-inspired analytical mind of his, now “opens up the whole can of worms” about this delusion of the independent self. In 7:15-23, a passage of self-analysis unequaled anywhere, either in the Scriptures or in other writing, Paul shares in detail his own agonizing battle with his personal responses to indwelling sin, and his own total failure to win the battles. There we hear his cry of despair—“O wretched man that I am!” Then comes his blinding flash of revelation that, while he lived in the delusion of being an independent self, indwelling sin falsely claimed to possess him (“I am carnal, sold under sin”). Then the glory of the revelation of the falsity of this delusion, because the One who had cast out the lying usurper has now replaced him. So indwelling sin is now *replaced* by the indwelling Christ!

Thus we arrive at the primary purpose of this great chapter—to show us that death to sin (the theme of Romans 6) includes death to law (7:4). Now we see the boon and blessing of outer law (for Paul defends the law as spiritual, holy, just and good—vs. 12). God’s law, which looks like an enemy condemning me, is really my friend, for it is the ultimate and necessary means of revealing to me that *self-relying self is an illusion*. Having accomplished this, law now ceases to exist for me! “Ye are become dead to the law.” How? Why? Because law came into existence only to reveal my slave relationship to Satan and sin and to enlighten my

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this magazine is to further the great high calling of the Lord Jesus to carry His Gospel to the whole world. This calling is known in the Christian world as the Great Commission. Our interpretation of the Gospel is that Jesus Christ is the second member of the Trinity, fully God, made manifest in the flesh. He was tempted in all points as we are, but totally without sin. He was crucified for the sins of the world, was buried, and rose from the dead on the third day, according to the Scriptures. He gives the power to become the sons of God to all who receive Him.

Beyond this forgiveness of sins, *The Intercessor* is committed to proclaiming to every creature the mystery of the Gospel, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory (Col. 1:27). The outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church at Pentecost means that Christ has joined Himself to us as one spirit (1 Cor. 6:17). Thus we see that Christ has reproduced Himself in our flesh, and we Christians are really Christ living as us (Gal. 2:20).

Therefore, there is not only the forgiveness of sins but also a life in Christ of knowing we are dead to sin (Rom. 6). Furthermore, we are dead to the Law (Rom. 7), since the power of sin is through the Law. Christ is the only Lawkeeper (Rom. 8), and there is no independent human nature that can keep the Law, though we are continually tempted to believe so.

Belief in an independent human nature is Satan’s lie and the root of sin. Non-Christians are really Satan-indwelt, expressing his lusts (John 8:44), just as we have come to learn that Christians are Christ-indwelt, expressing His righteousness (2 Cor. 6:16). Humans have no moral nature of their own, meaning that we are simply expressions of the indwelling deity nature, either of Christ or Satan (the fallen created being who is the spirit of error). Sin in a Christian is a result of believing again Satan’s lie that there is a human nature which can do good or evil.

Our full restoration, then, is to see ourselves as Christ in the world and to labor and travail to see Christ formed in others according to the mighty working of the Spirit. This is “intercession,” the definite laying down of our lives to present every man perfect in Christ (Col. 1:28). *The Intercessor* is committed to this great and thrilling commission, the cost of bringing it about, and the resurrection joy of reaping the harvest!

mistaken, deluded self. So now, when at last I know by inner-knowing that in Christ I am totally cut off from sins, from sin, and from its claims on me—and realize that the indweller is Christ Himself, by the Spirit—then I also know that *my inner Christ is the whole law in spontaneous operation*, and I am totally out of range of the outer law. I am dead to it, and it to me. (It may, though, take some time for me, so used to giving ear to an outer law, to turn my deaf ear to it.) Now I live, instead, by the inner leadings—which are also compulsions—of *Him who is love*: and this is the fulfilling of the law (Rom. 13:10). I now react to any outer claims on me not by a direct response to those claims but by the confirmation of the Spirit, coupled with the Scriptures (which are always a secure undergirding for those inner confirmations). Dead to sin...dead to the law...the world crucified to me and I to the world...I have crucified the flesh in its excessive forms of infatuations and lusts. *That* is the perfect background to my newly liberated life in Christ.

For me this was simplified long ago in Africa—before I took the leap into Galatians 2:20—by one moment of radical and very simple revelation. Still under that old, false idea of being an independent self who could and should be improved as a servant of Christ, I had begun to seek for more love that I might identify myself with my brother Africans. I looked for more faith and power, and more deliverance from the normal pressures of the flesh and critical attitudes towards my fellow workers. The surprise I got, which put me on this right track, came when that simple word “God is love” became new to me. I did not then know that God is all in all, as I do now, and I really thought that God *had* love rather than *is* love, and He could therefore give me a share. But when the Spirit opened my

eyes to the fact that God *is* love, then I suddenly saw that love is not some emotion which I might feel and express, but love is a person—in fact *the* Person, when it is *God* who is love. It was as if He was saying to me, “You’ve got it all wrong. Love is not something I *have* and can pass to you. I *am* that love!” That left me with a question: “Then is there none for me?” And the same query struck me concerning the power for which I was asking—for I became aware of the scripture which says “Christ, the power of God” (1 Cor. 1:24). So power, also, is not a thing but a person—the Person—and there is no “special kind” of power which can somehow be communicated to us. So again my question: “Well, what about me in my need?”

That conditioned me for the opposite end of this revelation. I saw it by the scripture which says “Christ is all, and in all” (Col. 3:11). “Christ is *all*”—that was staggering enough. But then, “and *in all*.” So I saw that I, as a human, was not to “become something better.” I was not to *become*, but to *contain*. That was it! Obviously, if the one I contained was Christ, and He is all, all I needed was to know Him in me as “the all.”

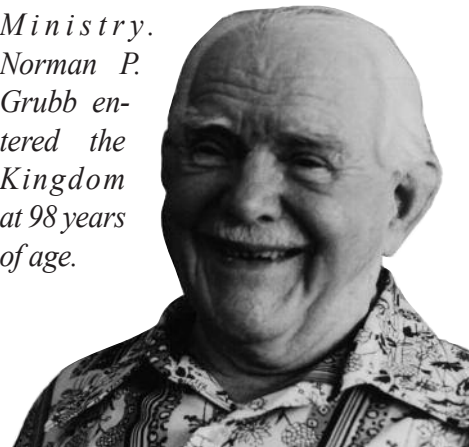
That was my first flash of revelation of the Total Truth God has now so widely opened my eyes to—that we haven’t a self-nature to improve or develop. Until then I knew nothing of having been a total Satan-container in my unsaved days, and so knew nothing of now being a total God-container. This was the first revelation of the Spirit (and it *has* to be revealed by the Spirit) that I am just the container. It was the beginning of what has never left me since and has so greatly expanded.

The final illustration that settled me into seeing my proper place as a human was the discovery that several times in the

Scriptures we are called “vessels,” A vessel is there only to contain. It does not *become* what it contains. The cup does not become the coffee, nor the coffee the cup. That ray of light shot into me. In other words, God was saying, “Stop fussing about your human self, where you fail and where you need improvement. Drop that whole false idea. Vessels don’t improve, they just contain. Now turn your attention away from what you are as a vessel—or think you should be. With a single eye, turn your full attention on *Me*, the One the vessel contains.” That was enough to move me on to my crisis leap—into the reality of Galatians 2:20, which is now my favorite verse of Scripture: “I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.” This was my personal experience of Romans 7, leading me into Romans 8.

—Yes, *I Am*

For many years after his retirement as General Secretary of the Worldwide Evangelization Crusade, Norman Grubb traveled extensively sharing the truth of our union with Christ. He was the author of many books and pamphlets, a number of which are available through the Zerubabel Book Ministry.
Norman P. Grubb entered the Kingdom at 98 years of age.



Editor's Note

In this issue of *The Intercessor* we dive right into some of Paul's weightiest topics. In our lead article, "Roman's Seven Puts Me Straight," Norman Grubb references Paul in answering what it means to be dead to the law. Being unable to keep God's law reveals to us that "self-relying self is an illusion." Just as Jesus said that he came to fulfill the law (Matt. 5:17), so Norman elaborates that "my inner Christ is the whole law in spontaneous operation, and I am totally out of range of the outer law. I am dead to it, and it to me."

Next, we continue with Part Three of Page Prewitt's booklet, "Life: The What, The Who, The Why." Here, she tackles head-on an explanation of what it means to be "crucified with Christ." This piece is especially wonderful in that it breaks down into everyday language the scriptures that Paul gives us in Romans 6-8. So, if you want a clear understanding of what Christ's death and resurrection really means for us—this is where to get it. Furthermore, this issue's edition of "Crossword" goes hand-in-hand with the corresponding excerpt from "Life: The What, The Who, The Why." Find scripture that will reinforce this all-important message.

We have also included a piece from Norman's *The Liberating Secret* titled "Romans Tells Us How." "How to what?" you might ask—how to go from a simple outward understanding of Christ as saviour to a deeper inner understanding of spiritual death and life. Again, referencing Paul in Romans, Norman answers "What does it mean that 'we are dead?'"

Both our "Bible Bedrock" and "Words To Live By" segments also feature ideas from the writings of the apostle Paul. "Bible Bedrock" expounds on Galatians 2:19: "Through the law I died to the law, so that I might live for God." And in "Words To Live By," Norman shares his thoughts on why we can still experience the bondage Paul describes in Romans 7.

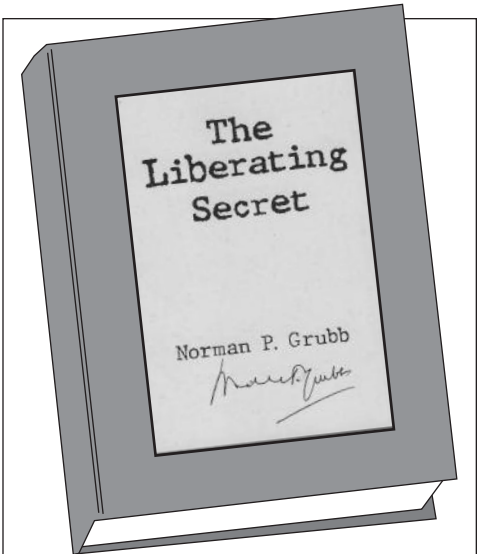
Satan loves to deceive us into thinking that what we feel is really who we are. Read on, as Norman helps his friend come to the truth in a "Letter From Norman." Fear, especially, is seen as a negative in our world, but Norman tells his friend to accept it! Feel the fear, then move on in faith that Christ is in you to live out.

On that same train of thought, our "Q & A" addresses a question about faith and feelings. It highlights that trusting God doesn't mean that our feelings of fear and doubt go away. Don't confuse the two!

As always, "Faith Illustrations" gives a concise and visually appealing delivery of scripture. This edition gives an account of Noah's descendants and the Tower of Babel, from the book of Genesis.

And finally, for something a little different, we've included the lyrics to a musical piece found in Norman Grubb's book *Yes, I Am*—"If The Lord Says I Am, Yes, I Am." As Norman says, "It's no great poetry..., but great truth." He has listed a corresponding Bible verse for each line of the song. Enjoy.

Thank you, once again, for reading *The Intercessor* and helping support the message of "Christ in you...the hope of glory (Col. 1:27)."



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Q&A

Question:

Recently, I have been faced with a difficult situation and have been trusting that God is in it for His good purposes. But I am not at peace about it and have been assaulted by fear and doubts. I keep praying for peace, but nothing seems to change. How can I be sure I am truly trusting Him?

Answer:

Let me encourage you by reminding you of truth I know you know. “The trusting God issue”—Just because you have unwanted feelings when you are trusting God does not mean that you are failing to trust God. Trusting God is just that “trusting God.” It is a spirit, faith thing. Feelings—fear, dread, nervousness are all soul things and have nothing to do with spirit. Trusting God does not mean that our feelings will change when we walk the faith walk nor will we necessarily get the outcome we want. It simply means that we know God is in control and whatever the outcome is it is His perfect love way for us. We could get a lot of folks to believe the truth as we know it if our soul feelings became what we would like when we put our trust (a spirit act) in God. This of course is true in any area of life.

Don't worry about praying for and getting peace. We can't obtain peace because PEACE is not a feeling—it is who God is. It is also who we, along with everyone who knows they are joined to Christ

at their Spirit center, are. Remember Norman's revelation when He prayed for love and God showed him the Scripture, “I will share my glory with no other.” Here Norman saw that God would be LOVE in and through him. Peace is knowing (spirit) that everything in our life is God's perfect, love will for us who trust (doubting nothing) and obey Him. The Bible makes this clear. It also makes it clear that it is not true for the disobedient self-relying ones.

And of course you being Christ-operated it is who you are. You can FEEL nervous and as afraid as a scared cat (all soul). None of that touches who you are at your Spirit center where you and Christ are one SPIRIT. Neither does it have anything to do with the PEACE that you are in Christ.

The good example of fear is Jesus before the Crucifixion. He was obviously afraid and wanted to avoid the cross, but in the end He put His will and wants under the will of the Father. And on He went in spite of His feelings. That truth has been life changing for me. I have learned to move on in faith knowing Christ is the one moving on as me in spite of any negative feelings that come my way. It is spirit that is true. Feelings are a test of our faith. Will we trust God in spite of what we are thinking and/or feeling?

Bible Bedrock

“Through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God.”

Galatians 2:19 (New King James)

The law given by God to Moses in its outer written forms, underlining the outer standards of conduct such as the sins of stealing, lying, adultery, murder, malicious destruction of another's character, is obviously intended to produce outer responses. So it does, and for the simple reason that in our blindness we cannot penetrate into sin at its source, but can only recognize its outer products of committed sins. So the first purpose of the Ten Commandments is to pinpoint our guilt before God and produce in us a realization of His wrath, judgment, and our coming condemnation. This it effectively does by awakening in us “the fear of the Lord, which is the beginning of wisdom.” Most of us were stirred from slumber by some person or event alerting us to the reality of our condition as lost, guilty, and hopeless sinners—unless there be some means of pardon. At such a time we neither considered nor were concerned about our inner sinful condition, but saw only our sins and their fearful aftermath. Verily, for this was the law established—that by it “all the world may become guilty before God.”

Now comes the revelation by Paul of the *first* deliverance stage of the cross of Christ, the amazing but solid replacement of condemnation by justification, as if the sinner had never sinned—the overplus of grace by the shed blood of His crucified body. Paul speaks of Christ Jesus being “set forth” by God on that historic cross as a

public, outward demonstration that He had *truly died*. That meant that as the penalty of sin is death, so He who “bore our sins in His own body on the tree” really died, having taken our place in death.

But bodily death is but an outer detail. The real meaning of death is not *body* but *spirit* destiny: Where do I, an immortal spirit, go? If lost, I shall be among “the spirits in prison”; if saved, among “the spirits of just men made perfect,” Scripture reveals. So Peter proclaimed in his Pentecost speech (using David's prophecy in Psalm 16) that the Savior went to hell where we were destined to go. But hell could not hold Him, for Satan had no hold on Him, and so His “soul was not left in hell.” But He could not rescue Himself, for He was there representing us in our lost sinnerhood. He was “raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father.”

So through the Lamb's shed blood, death, and pangs of hell, all that should come to us by way of guilt, condemnation, curse, and uncleanness has disappeared forever for all men. “God was, in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them.

—Yes, I Am

by Norman Grubb



the what
the who
the why

By Page Prewitt

Part Three

We continue our excerpts from Page Prewitt's booklet, copies of which are available from Zerubbabel Press.

Crucified with Christ—What Does It Mean?

I think it would be helpful to digress for a moment to explain what the Bible means when it talks about our being put to death (crucified) with Christ on the cross and, in turn, our being dead with Him. There are a lot of explanations for what our being dead with Christ means. But most of them are not only confusing, but inaccurate. We must get it clear that death does not mean our termination. It is, instead, the process by which spirit is separated from body.

The Bible says that Christ became sin—or in other words, He took the spirit of Satan/sin on Himself (2 Cor. 5:21) and was crucified (put to death), the purpose of which was to eternally separate Himself from the sin spirit. This sacrifice of His life made possible this freedom for all mankind. We were *crucified with Him. And by His miraculous sacrificial death we, too, were freed from the Satan/sin spirit.* However, this work does not take place in our life until we accept Christ and this work He did for us on the cross. At that moment, we are raised to newness of life by the Holy Spirit and from that moment on our life is the life of Christ in us.

Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him (Rom. 6:6-8).

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you (Rom. 8:11).

Thus, in actual fact, we become new creatures, or what the Bible calls the “new man.” When this exchange of spirits takes place in us, the old man who is made up of our human spirit joined to Satan no longer exists. In spite of what we are universally taught, there is no longer an old man waiting around to re-invent himself as us. Our new life is now the life of Christ who joins himself to us in an eternal union.

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:4).

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live

in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me (Gal. 2:20).

It is very important for you to understand that I am not in any way saying that we reach a state of perfection where it is impossible for us to sin. The explanation of sin in the life of a Christian will come later.

I hope this short account lets you see that when we say that through Jesus' body death on the cross we become new creatures in Christ, we are stating a literal fact and not some high-sounding spiritual ideal. We are actually changed from having Satan joined to us (Satan/I) to Christ joining Himself to us (Christ/I).

Body, Soul and Spirit

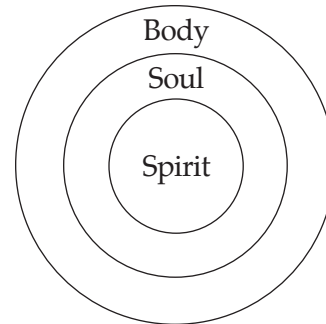
Once I came to accept this biblically validated truth as the foundation for my own Christian experience—that I am in union with Christ and am thus one spirit with Him—I still had questions that had to be answered. (Let me interrupt and say that it is my experience that most people have these same questions.) Does the Holy Spirit take us over in our union with Him and automatically eclipse our freedom to choose and thus make it impossible for us to sin? Or can we say that because of our oneness with Christ, He is somehow responsible for our sin? Of course we must say NO to both of these suppositions. From Scripture and experience, two things are very clear: Christians (union people) *do* sin, and Christ has *never* sinned and never will sin. Another question that plagues us as Christians regarding sin is this: Do we have to go Satan's sinful, anti-God way?

To gain clarity on these questions, we must understand our humanity and how it functions. To do that, we must first gain an understanding of the difference between body, soul, and spirit. Each of these is part of every individual and each has its distinct and separate function, but all work together to make us the very glorious creatures that we know ourselves to be.

Following is a simple drawing which, along with the others presented earlier, has helped me and many others understand the inner makeup of the human self. Of course, these diagrams can only give an idea

of what we as persons look like and how we function. No human explanation can adequately portray spirit truth. Please note that a true grasp of these truths only comes to the honest seeker by Holy Spirit revelation.

The outer circle represents our body, the middle circle our soul, and the inner circle our spirit. The body is the outer clothing or the outer expression of the soul and spirit.



Soul—the Troublemaker

Our soul is where emotions and reasoning take place—where we feel and think. It is very important that we understand and accept that our thoughts and feelings (fear, happiness, sadness, shyness, etc.) are morally neutral; all feelings are necessary components of the human personality.

But they are a huge problem because until we know differently, we believe that our feelings are not only how we are but *who* we are, and we operate (make our choices) based on this misconception. We are overcome with guilt and defeat at not being able to change or, better still, eliminate either our negative thoughts or feelings. The truth is that neither needs to be changed. They both originate in the soul, and as we said, they are morally neutral. Neither affects our inner spirit reality unless or until we believe them *and* act on them.

Just What Is Spirit?

Spirit, which is our real self, is represented by the inner circle. Spirit has three basic faculties—desire/love, mind/knowledge, and will/choice. Desire or love is at the center of the human spirit. Sad to say, in our lost state we are self-love, with Satan expressing his self-for-self love through us. But as we

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Yes, I Am

By Norman Grubb

Found in the back pages of Yes, I Am, Norman shares this little song, stating that it is "no great poetry, not set to great music, but great truth." Alongside each phrase he lists the relevant Bible statement. Please see Scripture Index on page 12.

If the Lord says I'm a Christian, yes, I am,	Acts 11:26
If the Lord says I'm made new, yes, I am,	2 Cor. 5:17
If the Lord says I'm one spirit with Himself,	1 Cor. 6:17
If the Lord says I am, yes I am.	

If the Lord says I'm a son, yes, I am,	1 John 3:2
If the Lord says I'm an heir, yes, I am,	Rom. 8:17
If the Lord says I'm a citizen of His kingdom here and now,	Eph. 2:19
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.	

If the Lord says I'm a vessel, yes, I am,	2 Cor. 4:7
If the Lord says I'm a branch, yes, I am,	John 15:5
If the Lord says I'm a temple of His Holy Spirit in me,	1 Cor. 6:19
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.	

If the Lord says I'm a saint, Yes, I am,	1 Cor. 1:2
If the Lords says I'm elect, yes, I am,	2 Tim. 2:10
If the Lord says I'm a partaker of His divine nature,	2 Pet. 1:4
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.	

If the Lord says I'm a priest, yes, I am, Rev. 1:6
If the Lord says I'm a king, yes, I am, Rev. 1:6
If the Lord says I am seated in the heavenly places in Christ, Eph. 2:6
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.

If the Lord says I am holy, yes, I am, Eph. 1:4
If the Lord says I am blameless, yes, I am, Eph. 1:4
If the Lord says I am unreprouvable in His sight, Col. 1:22
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.

If the Lord says I'm complete, yes, I am, Col. 2:10
If the Lord says I am perfect, yes, I am, Phil. 3:15
If the Lord says that I am as He is in this world, 1 John 4:17
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.

If the Lord says I am filled, yes, I am, 1 Cor. 4:8
If the Lord says I am strong, yes, I am, 1 John 2:14
If the Lord says I am more than conqueror in this world, Rom. 8:37
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.

If the Lord says I'm not I but He in me, yes, I am, Gal. 2:20
If the Lord says I'm the world's light, yes, I am, Matt. 5:14
If the Lord says I'm a god to whom His word has come, John 10:34-35
If the Lord says I am, yes, I am.

Yes, I Am

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Scripture Index

(King James Version)

Acts 11:26 "And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."

2 Cor. 5:17 "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

1 Cor. 6:17 "But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit."

1 John 3:2 "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

Rom. 8:17 "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."

Eph. 2:19 "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God."

2 Cor. 4:7 "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

John 15:5 "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing."

1 Cor. 6:19 "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?"

1 Cor. 1:2 "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's."

2 Tim. 2:10 "Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory."

2 Pet. 1:4 "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."

Rev. 1:6 "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

Eph 2:6 "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

Eph. 1:4 "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love."

Col. 1:22 "In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight."

Col. 2:10 "And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power."

Phil. 3:15 "Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you."

1 John 4:17 "Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world."

1 Cor. 4:8 "Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you."

1 John 2:14 "I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."

Rom. 8:37 "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

Gal. 2:20 "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

Matt. 5:14 "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid."

John 10:34-35 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken."

Faith Notes

We transfer our inner believing from what has its hold on us because we are believing in it: fear, lust, hate, etc., and attach our believing to who we really are, not our human selves, but Christ in ourselves. And as we affirm and recognize Him, He who is the peace, love, courage, purity, manifests Himself in and by us.

—Who Am I?

The well of living water has not stopped springing up within us, the living bread in our spirits has not gone stale, the fire of the Spirit (with whom we have been baptized at our regeneration) has not burned low. Look within where you and He really are, spirit with Spirit. There is no change. Don't be fooled by the color of your clothing—your soul feelings. You and He in you have not changed.

—God Unlimited

If I have received by faith, I have received, and the proof of my having done so is constant thankfulness.

—The Spontaneous You

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Every battle of life is fought and won within ourselves, not without. Gain the inner spiritual victory, and the outer follows as sure as the day the night.

—The Law of Faith

We dislike a person, so we take a leap of faith. We move over and say, "I don't like this person, but You are love in me. You love him, so with Your love, I love him." Switch on the light, and where is the darkness?

—The Spontaneous You

Romans Tells Us How

by Norman Grubb

In the following excerpt from The Liberating Secret, Norman unveils through the Book of Romans the three stages by which God reaches out to blind and hopelessly self-confident man—according to his capacity to receive the truth.

“I write unto you, little children. . . . I write unto you young men. . . . I write unto you fathers.” The analogy of human birth and growth make the stages quite plain. These three stages are nowhere more clearly explained and presented to us than in the great Roman letter, and it is there that we will now examine them more closely, always bearing in mind their ultimate goal: that man was originally created and now re-created in Christ to find his place in God and He in us.

The first stage may be called the outward approach. Man has become an extrovert, or at least he seeks to live like one. To look too far within might be disturbing. He tries to live on the surface; work, pleasure, practical interests, social and religious activities, the world’s merry-go-round. So it is from the outside that God approaches him. He can understand a God in heaven; he can see a Saviour in history; he can recognize the sins he himself has committed. On this level, then, the gospel is preached to him. Look at the first five chapters of Romans, where more plainly than anywhere else in Scripture, the way of salvation is presented. First, “the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men” (1: 18). Then the sins of man are exposed

in loathsome detail, and attributed to a worship of the creature rather than the Creator (1:21-32). The coming “day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God” is proclaimed, where doers of evil and workers of good will be judged without respect of persons, and rewards and punishments meted out (2:5-11). No pronouncements could be in plainer language: a child can understand them. The name of the Judge is then given (2:16), and

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the verdict of guilty on all the world unmistakably foretold, for the simple reason that all have sinned, and “there is none righteous, no, not one” (3:19-23). What an inescapable presentation of facts, which by these statements of Scripture and the word of the preacher have opened millions of blinded eyes! The gospel of free grace is then presented in the same practical; objective and reasonable form. Despite these hard facts of sheer justice, there is a way by which the guilty are pronounced right-

eous. God found Himself a worthy substitute, and “set Him forth” for all to see at an exact place and on a fixed date: Christ Jesus, was the “propitiation through faith in His blood” (3:24, 25): and faith means not works of self-effort, but simple “believing on Him that justifieth the ungodly” (3:27, 28): to that man, woman or child who so believes, “his faith is counted for righteousness” (4:3-5).

The primitive forest-dweller, the woman in purdah, the little child: or alternatively, the sophisticated town-dweller, hedonist, intellectual, religious, can all understand such facts, if they will. To them all is Christ “evidently set forth crucified.” It is the outward approach. It does not deal with any such matters as our dwelling in God and He in us: it does not draw attention to the ramifications of the self-life, or raise questions of soul and spirit. In those first five chapters of Romans, up to 5:11, no reference is made to an inner relationship to God, except the one statement that “the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost.”

But what a change of emphasis in Romans 6! What does Paul mean when he suddenly alters the emphasis from Christ’s dying to my having died (6:2)? This takes us at once from the objective to the subjective, from the outward to the inward, from the historical to the mystical and spiritual. Anyone can understand the historic fact of the Saviour dying for us, but who can understand the statement that we are dead? Quite obviously, physically speaking, we are not dead! And still less buried, as 6:4

says! Now we are passing on to where man really lives—within himself. We have seen how the natural man will escape the discomfort of looking within himself, if he can; he will live in an external world so far as he can, and God meets him where he lives, with facts and in language he can understand. But, when he has come to Christ, and the Son has been revealed in him as his Saviour, it will not be long before he finds out that the real problems of life are within. At his rebirth, it was his past sins that concerned him; but now he discovers that it is not the sins, but the sinner that must be dealt with. “Shall we continue in sin?” asks the Apostle. He now wants to follow Christ, but what is he to do with all that rises up within to prevent him? There are the lusts of the flesh—sex, greed, sloth. There are the sins of the soul and spirit—pride, resentment, anger, self-pity, jealousy. There are the attractions of the world, the distractions of home and business, the deadness in prayer and Bible study, the powerlessness in witness. He has to face the fact that the joy of sins forgiven, the gift of eternal life, the knowledge of Jesus as Saviour and Friend does not give him the inner release and victory he needs. Often he seems to be still in slavery to sin and self; he struggles, he resolves, he prays; but one besetting sin or another keeps holding the mastery over him.

Paul gives the answer, as no other writer in the New Testament. He was the Spirit’s chosen instrument of the full revelation in Christ. As he said himself, he did not receive it of man, neither was he taught it, “but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.” He leads us now into the second stage of this revelation, the central and vital stage, to which the first was a gateway, and from which the third is a normal and necessary continuation.

He now begins to open up an inner relationship with God. Up to this point, as an extravert, man could only regard himself as quite a separate being from God, even as he is also from his neighbour. I am here, and you are there, and God is way up above somewhere. That is why the Romans 1-5 approach of God to man is only on the external. A true separation came between God and man through the fall, and continues for ever in “eternal exclusion from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His might” for those who continue in disobedience. So used has man

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become to this reality in his fallen condition that he usually carries it over to his saved condition, and continues with the grave-clothes of a sense of separation on him. For the saved man this is an illusion, though real enough while still believed in. Thus, though he does know Christ in his heart, he normally regards Him as apart from himself; often outside himself; and sometimes so separate that there appears a great distance between them. Sometimes this specially appears to be so in prayer, or in time of crisis and bewilderment. Very often from our pulpits no nearer presenta-

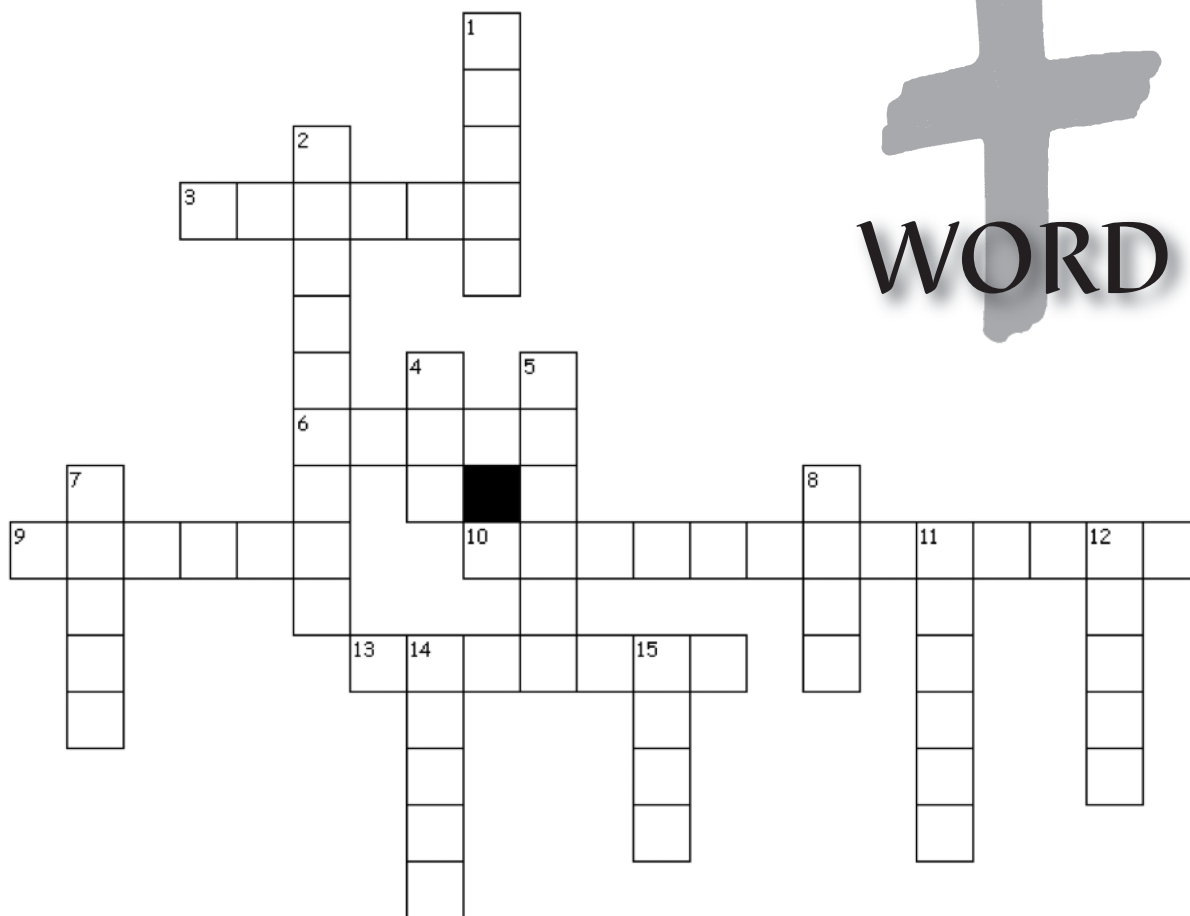
tion of Christ is given to the believer than that He is a Friend close at hand, and so forth. The veil of a false separation is left over the eyes. Here, of course, as we have been showing in these pages, lies the great error. It leaves man to do the very thing he was never created nor redeemed to do, to carry on as best he can by self-effort, helped, he hopes, by the presence and blessing of God.

For most of us this deeper revelation of union has to come as a second experience. We can seldom see our outward sins and inner selves in one single exposure. The plainest proof of this is that the profound exposition of Romans 6-8 is given us separately and subsequently to chs. 1-5. It is not that there are two separate salvations, as it were. There is only one Saviour, one glorious process of restoration through His death, resurrection and ascension, one Holy Spirit. The twofoldness is not on His side. But for most of us there has to be a twofold appropriation of the two great deliverances that stream from the one Calvary, the deliverance from sin and wrath (1-5), the deliverance from sin and independent self (6-8). They could conceivably be experienced together, for both are there for the taking, but an appropriation which produces a real experience of both at the same time, and not merely a mental apprehension, is rare. In that sense there is a “second blessing,” an entire sanctification subsequent to justification, an inner union according to Gal. 2:20.

So we are now passing to the heart of the purpose of God in Christ, the purpose we have seen in earlier pages stretching from the first days of the first creation of heavenly beings up till now, the purpose of union as in the Trinity itself (John 17:21), the joining of Spirit with spirit,

LIFE: THE WHAT, THE WHO, THE WHY—PUZZLE 3

We are excited for the third installment of Page Prewitt's booklet "Life: The What, The Who, The Why" to appear in this issue of *The Intercessor*! This current section of the booklet is supported by this puzzle so that we can delve deeper into the Scripture that reveals the truths that Page writes about. First, we look at what the Scripture "I am crucified with Christ" means to us in our Christian life. We also see the miracle our Creator has wrought in forming our body, soul and spirit, and study what Scripture teaches is the difference between soul and spirit and how knowing this changes everything we believe. So search, solve and learn along with us....



ACROSS

3. God's Holy Spirit lives in believers as we see in Romans 8:11, "But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your _____ bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."
6. Paul thrills us with his words in Galatians 2:20, "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the _____ of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."
9. What a privilege we find in 2 Corinthians 6:16, "For ye are the temple of the living God; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my _____."
10. 2 Corinthians 5:21 tells us, "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the _____ of God in Him."
13. Romans 6:4 proclaims our new life in Christ, "Therefore we are buried with Him by _____ into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

DOWN

1. We are told in 1 Corinthians 2:12, "Now we have received, not the spirit of the _____, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God."
2. Romans 6:6-7 tells us what happens when we are freed from sin through Christ's death on the cross for us, "knowing this, that our old man is _____ with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin."
4. In Romans 7:15-17, Paul verbalizes the struggles of all who long to live a godly life, "For what I am doing, I do not understand; for I am not practicing what I would like to do, but I am doing the very thing I hate. But if I do the very thing I do not want to do, I agree with the Law, confessing that the Law is good. So now, no longer am I the one doing it, but _____ which dwells in me."
5. Romans 8:9 makes clear, "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of _____, he is none of His."
7. Paul declares in Romans 7:24-25, "O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this _____? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord."
8. 1 Corinthians 6:17 assures us, "But he that is joined unto the _____ is one Spirit."
11. 2 Corinthians 1:21-22 says, "Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and appointed us is God, who also _____ us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge."
12. We see in Hebrews 4:12 the distinguishing of body, soul and spirit, "For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged _____, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."
14. Romans 6:10-11 tells us, "For in that He died, He died unto sin once; but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but _____ unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord."
15. 1 Thessalonians 5:23 teaches us that we have body, soul and spirit, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and _____ and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Faith Illustrations

Intercessor contributor and art teacher Dacia Trethewey shares these fun and unique illustrations as part of this refresher of key biblical events.

GENESIS: Noah's Descendants & the Tower of Babel

Genesis 10-11 New International Version (NIV)

Genesis 10: The Table of Nations

Noah's sons, who themselves had sons after the flood, grew in number to become the Japhethites, Hamites, and Semites. The clans of Noah's sons, according to their lines of descent, within their nations, spread out over the earth after the flood.



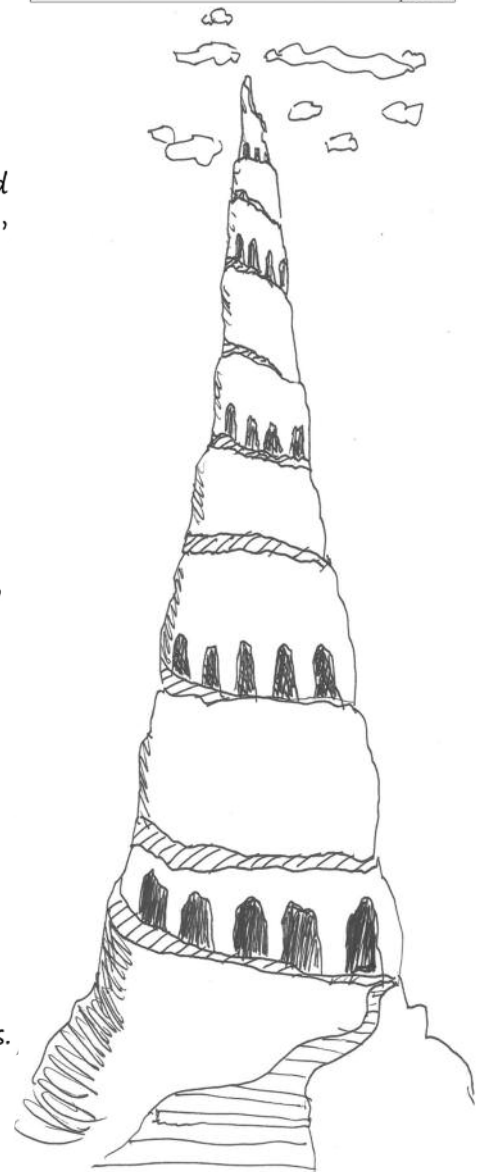
Genesis 11: The Tower of Babel

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. As people moved eastward, they settled in a plain in Shinar. They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building and was not pleased. He said "Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other." So the Lord scattered them from there, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel—because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. From there the Lord scattered them over the face of the earth.

From Shem to Abram

Two years after the flood, when Shem was 100 years old, he became the father of Arphaxad, and after he became the father of Arphaxad, Shem lived 500 years and had other sons and daughters. After many generations, a descendant of Shem named Terah lived 70 years, and he became the father of Abram, Nahor and Haran.



Abram's Family

Terah became the father of Abram, Nahor and Haran. And Haran became the father of Lot. While his father Terah was still alive, Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans, in the land of his birth. Abram and Nahor both married. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, who was childless because she was not able to conceive. Terah took his son Abram, his grandson Lot son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, the wife of his son Abram, and together they set out from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to Canaan. But when they came to Harran, they settled there. Terah lived 205 years, and he died in Harran.



Genesis 12: The Call of Abram

The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you;
I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing,
and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him. Abram was 75 years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Haran, and they set out and arrived in the land of Canaan. Abram traveled through the land, and at that time the Canaanites were in the land. The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.



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Janet my dear,

I wish I could enjoy that hug but that must still wait; but I do indeed enjoy your love in sending such a gift, and such a size. Thank you, dearest, very much, and it is a blessing and help. I am grateful.

But meanwhile I had your letter and was getting towards answering it. Love, you don't fight fear, you accept it! We are in a world full of temptations to fear, which really is negative believing—in evil. But, dear, negatives are the good background to positives, and while you feel the fears you boldly say by your faith that Christ in you is THE FACT, and that fact replaces all the fears. So your fears are your good practice!

You may have forgotten now all you poured out in your letter (and I love your outpourings!), but of course all God's love in sending His son is to rescue us from hell; but you can't be a real person without confronting the opposites, and "hell" is the condition of self-loving self (Satan), and God has to use means to disillusion us from our self-love to condition us to want HIM, the Spirit of Other-love. And you really are glad you are a person for eternity, and not just a lump of rock! Can't say more now till we can have our get-together!

Just loving you and thank you so much, dear—till somehow we can meet! But always glad to get your letters.

Norman

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Dear Janet,

Another line just before I start my travels in a week. Thank you for yours, dear.

You find yourself "trying very hard to believe what I'm supposed to believe." Dear, the "trying" part is not your real inner spirit-self which is already joined to Him the Spirit; but it is in your soul-feeling realm where you "feel" it is all "rubbish" or whatever. Yes, the world, human reasoning, and Satan will pour that on your emotion-reason level, which is your soul; but it is not really you but just your outer clothing—spirit clothed in sould-body. So the answer is just "defiantly" say, keep saying merely by your will (which has your heart behind it) that you ARE what He says you are. You can't stop the invasions of the anti-feeling which make you feel you must "try"; but replace "try-ing" by SAYING and repeating your "word of faith."

As to intercession, dear, I like your concern for your family and others. Again, take it for granted that you are an intercessor, because HE, the Spirit is the intercessor in and by you. Read Rom. 8:26, 27. So your very concern for them is the first stage of the Spirit interceding by you. Continue by turning your inner desires into faith that GOD IS completing His saving work of grace in those who concern you. Believe as fact by the word of faith and keep on believing level. Then also you express your love for them by any loving forms of service that God gives you toward them. That is being the intercessor.

My much love,

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Dear Janet,

Here we are again! Love, I'm glad you feel like a jellyfish, because that's what you're meant to feel, and thus kept pushed into believing—you're getting there, love. The whole external world and our own human selves is the necessary training ground for it to get settled into us once for all that we are spirit joined to HIM The Spirit; and as you keep affirming, the Spirit is busy finding the perfect way of CONFIRMING to you who you ARE.

Love, of course all sorts of thoughts come to force us into taking no condemnation for passing thoughts, but learning to see ourselves as 'mind'—BEING way beyond thinking which divides.

Keep going at it, love, and as to finding God as our portion—HE IS that AS YOU. The more you believe that the more it will settle into you.

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touched on earlier, when we become born again, the glorious exchange takes place whereby our sinful operator, Satan, is cut off from our human spirit through the body death of Christ and, in turn, He (Jesus Christ) joins Himself to our human spirit, and we become “one spirit with Him” (1 Cor. 6:17). As we said earlier, we are the vessels through whom He expresses His selfless love—spirit love, the term for which is agapé.

Mind is our second spirit faculty. It is where we know things—not what we think about things (that is a soul function) but where we *know* them. Ideas belong to the soul realm; knowledge belongs to the spirit. For example, we may know a lot about God and Jesus on a soul level, but we can only *know* them and matters of the spirit by means of the indwelling Holy Spirit who is the Knower in and through us.

The third faculty of the spirit is the will, and it is here that our spirit choices are made. Our love and knowledge (the other spirit faculties) both help shape these choices which are, in turn, expressed through our soul and body. The will is the arbiter of our destiny: our God-ordained freedom to choose for God or against God exists in our will.

Because soul and spirit are so closely linked, it takes a revelation of the Spirit for us to know the difference between them. Hebrews 4:12 gives us an illustration of their closeness: *For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing*

asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The writer to the Hebrews is saying that the two are as closely connected as the marrow is to the bone. Like the marrow, spirit is the life of the body. The soul, like the joint, is the vessel for the marrow and is the means by which the inner spirit life expresses itself.

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now possible for fallen man only through the reconciliation of the cross. Romans 6-8 will tell us all we need to know about it. There are no more important chapters in the Bible for the believer who seeks the solid foundation of the fullness of life in Christ.

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5:12-21. Here is a first inkling that we must look deeper for the cause of our troubles and for their remedy. We derived something from Adam—sin and death—there is a hereditary link between us. So now we derive something from the first-born of this new creation, if we belong to Him, a hereditary link of righteousness and life. “As *in* Adam all die, even so *in* Christ shall all be made alive.”

In God’s sight we were all in the loins of the first Adam, and therefore participated in the process of his fall—in sin, separation from God, and death (cp. Heb. 7:9, 10). In God’s sight all who are joined by faith to the last Adam are equally in His loins, and so participate in the process of His redemption—in death to sin, in resurrection to newness of life in the Spirit.

—The Liberating Secret

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PUZZLE:

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13. BAPTISM

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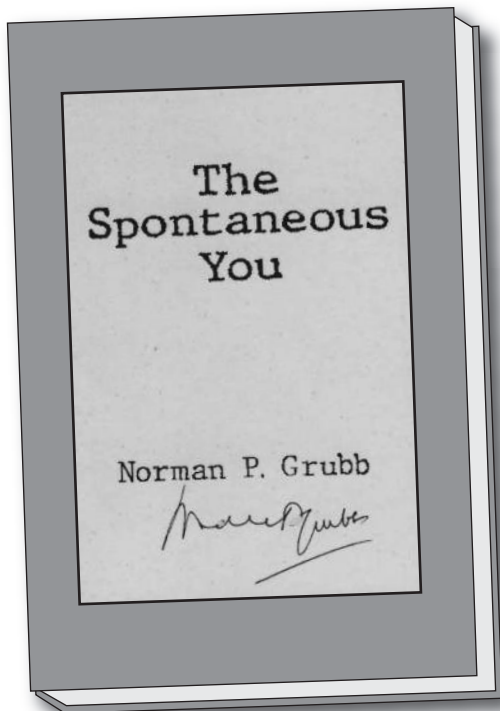
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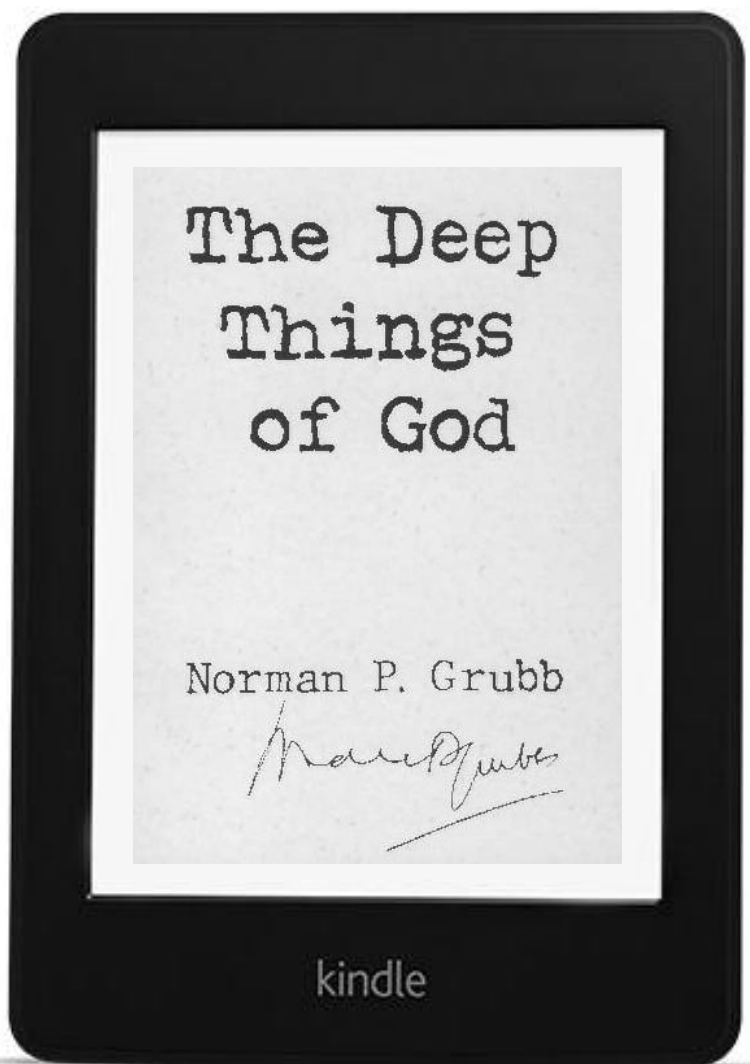
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