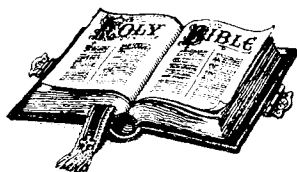


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"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." 2 Timothy 3:16

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DO "JEHOVAH WITNESSES" HAVE SOULS?

So-called "Jehovah Witnesses" claim and teach that "a person does not have an eternal soul or spirit within his or her body." They believe that they do not have eternal spirits within their bodies. They endeavor to convince all people they can to accept the theory that no one has an eternal soul or spirit within his body. Do "Jehovah Witnesses" have souls? Is their theory BY FAITH or BY OPINION? If it is not taught in God's Word it can NOT be BY FAITH because "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:17). Do "Jehovah Witnesses" really have souls? They do if other people do. Does a person have an eternal soul or spirit? What saith the Scriptures? Let us see. Let us carefully consider the following Scriptures:

1. ZECHARIAH 12:1 says: "The burden of the word of the Lord for Israel, saith the Lord, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and FORMETH THE SPIRIT OF MAN WITHIN HIM."

2. JOB 32:8 says: "But THERE IS A SPIRIT IN MAN: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding."

3. ECCLESIASTES 12:7 says: "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and

THE SPIRIT UNTO GOD WHO GAVE IT."

4. MATTHEW 10:28 says: "And fear not them which kill the body, BUT ARE NOT ABLE TO KILL THE SOUL: but rather fear him which is able to destroy ("to devote or give over to eternal misery"—THAYER) both soul and body in hell."

5. LUKE 23:46 says: "And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, He said, Father into thy hands I COMMEND MY SPIRIT: and having said thus, He gave up THE GHOST."

6. LUKE 21:19 says: "In your patience possess YE YOUR SOULS."

7. ACTS 7:59 says: "And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, RECEIVE MY SPIRIT."

8. 1 CORINTHIANS 2:11 says: "For what man knoweth the things of a man, SAVE THE SPIRIT OF MAN WHICH IS IN HIM?..."

9. 2 CORINTHIANS 4:16 says: "For which cause we faint not: but though OUR OUTWARD MAN PERISH, YET THE INWARD MAN IS RENEWED DAY BY DAY."

10. JAMES 2:26 says: "For as the body WITHOUT THE SPIRIT is dead, so faith without works is dead also."

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WALKING BY FAITH

fulfill the lust of the flesh." To walk after the Spirit is to walk according to the revelation of the Holy Spirit as written in the Scriptures.

6. To walk in newness of life. We learn from Romans 6:1-5 that one must die to sin in repentance and be buried with Christ by baptism and be raised to **"walk in newness of life."**

7. To walk in good works. Paul says **"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath ordained that we should walk in them."** (Eph. 2:10).

8. To walk honestly. Paul said: **"Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying."** (Romans 13:13). One can not truly walk by faith without walking honestly.

9. To walk circumspectly. Paul said: **"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."** (Eph. 5:15-16).

10. To walk in love. Ephesians 5:1-2 says: **"Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savor."** (Ephesians 5:1-2).

11. To walk by the same rule. The apostle Paul said: **"...let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing."** (Philippians 3:16).

12. To walk in Christ, and to walk as He walked. John said: **"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked."** (1 John 2:6). Paul admonished Christians saying: **"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."** (Col. 2:6).

In order to truly walk by faith, one must learn God's Will for man as revealed in the Scriptures. Then one must believe and obey God's will from the heart. **Are YOU walking by faith or by feelings? Only those who walk by faith will be saved!**

I WILL NOT GIVE UNTO JEHOVAH THAT WHICH COSTS ME NOTHING

This in essence was the reply King David gave to Araunah when he was offered the opportunity to make a sacrifice to God that involved for him no personal expense. As the result of a sin committed by David, a plague devastated Israel. To end this plague David was commanded to **"rear an altar unto Jehovah in the threshing floor of Araunah."** As David approached the appointed place, Araunah went out to meet him, offering his service to the King. When David explained that he wanted to purchase the threshing floor to build an altar unto God, Araunah not only offered to give him the floor but to supply him with threshing instruments and yokes for wood and oxen for the burnt-offering. To this generous offer David replied: **"Nay, but I will verily buy it of thee at a price; neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto Jehovah my God which cost me nothing."** (2 Samuel 24:24).

What a contrast to the attitude of many today. Some will not consider coming to a worship service unless their time is "free". If they have no relatives that need visiting, no friends to entertain, no television programs to watch, no money to earn, no rest to "catch up on" and no recreation beckons, perhaps they will attend a worship service, if it's not too long. When it comes to the matter of giving, some Christians will use their money for savings, a car note, a house payment, new furniture, clothes, toys, tobacco, hair dressers, entertainment, etc. and if there is anything left over they will give it to the Lord, provided it is not over a dollar. In essence they say by their actions: **"I will give nothing unto Jehovah which costs me something."**

—DAVID HARKRIDER

A GOOD NAME

A good name is won by virtue, by skill, by industry, by patience and perseverance, and by humble and consistent trust and confidence in a high and over-ruling power. It is lost by folly, by ignorance, by ignominy and crime, by excessive ambition and avarice.

—GEMS OF LIFE

MEN

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One of the world's greatest needs is men! Men who are bigger than trifles; men with the breadth of intellect and depth of character; men who will not stoop to cheat or be unfair; men who will not stand imperiously on their rights, but who in magnanimity of soul cast away personal advantage for the good of many; men who will not lie, and defame, and steal to increase their own personal fame or fortune; men who would rather stand with the right in the end than to have their own way; men who love the truth and are willing to die for it rather than to compromise with falsehood; men who act upon principle in all their dealings with their fellowmen rather than personal feelings either of bias or prejudice; men with clean hearts and pure motives; men who feel neither envy nor jealousy when one of superior endowments and greater ability surpasses what they have been able to achieve; men who are not too big to be satisfied to fill the place in the world for which they were created and fitted by the benign Creator who made every man for a definite place in His infinite universe of time and space and sense.

—A. HUGH CLARK

A thunderous silence continues to sound out from the "elders" of the Hobbs Street Church in Athens and from Albert Hill with regards to setting the date for the SUTTON—HILL DEBATE.

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11. JAMES 1:21 says: **"Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able TO SAVE YOUR SOULS."**

12. 1 PETER 1:22 says: **"Seeing ye have purified YOUR SOULS in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto the unfeigned love of the brethren, ..."**

13. 3 JOHN 2 says: **"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, EVEN AS THY SOUL PROSPERETH."**

14. REVELATION 6:9 says: **"And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar THE SOULS OF THEM THAT WERE SLAIN FOR THE WORD OF GOD, and for the testimony which they held ..."**

15. MATTHEW 16:26 says: **"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and LOSE HIS OWN SOUL? OR WHAT SHALL A MAN GIVE IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS SOUL?"**

NO, the "Witnesses" are not right in their contention that people do not have souls! YES, "Jehovah Witnesses" do have souls! Their theory is an opinion that is prompted by Satan and it is false! DO NOT LET ANY ONE DECEIVE YOU!

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Sentence Sermons

The question is not only where do we stand, but also in what direction are we going?

Many physical giants are spiritual runts.

Master selfishness or it will master you.

An upright man can never be a downright failure.

You can't walk with God while you are running with the Devil.

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