

Coast Bible Conference  
Learning to Grow Spiritually  
July 2015

Dean Bible Ministries  
[www.deanbibleministries.org](http://www.deanbibleministries.org)  
Dr. Robert L. Dean, Jr.

# **Learning to Grow Spiritually**

## **RULE #1: THE GOLDEN RULE OF INTERPRETATION**

**“When the plain sense of Scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense; therefore take every word at its primary, ordinary, usual, literal meaning unless the facts of the immediate context, studied in light of related passages and axiomatic and fundamental truths indicate clearly otherwise.”**

**Rule #2: The analogy of Scripture means that Scripture is compared with other Scripture in order to get the full picture.**

**Rule #3: Clear Scripture is used to interpret statements that might be unclear or ambiguous.**

# What IS Spirituality?

- **Religious activity**
  - **Prayer**
    - **Psychological well-being**
      - **Emotional stability**
        - **Meditative contemplation**
          - **Shamanic Journey**
- **Success**
- **Drugs**
- **Sex**
- **Music**

# Contemporary Spirituality

1. In 2004 86% of Americans claim to believe in “god.” Down from 98% in 1967; 90% in 1998. By 2010 **80%** believe in God; 12% in a universal spirit.
2. 1994–58% needed spiritual growth; 1999–78% needed spiritual growth. 43% said their interest in spirituality had increased recently. **2005–57%** consider spirituality important part of their life.
3. Three reasons:  
Profit motive  
Smorgasbord definition: anything can be spiritual  
The uniquely modern idea of the “self”

**“It is the new lingua franca. It’s the experiential aspect of religion, something deeply felt. Each person seems to have his or her own, and it has an incredibly wide appeal right now.”**

**~Dr. Wade Roof**

**“People want religion, but most people don’t want the disciplines, exactions, and commitment that go with it. For them the answer is what I call secular spirituality or seeking spirituality. Which doesn’t exact any of that. It’s religion with all the things that you don’t like taken out.”**

**~Martin Marty, Prof. of Church History at Univ. Chicago**



**“We should really see religion as the modern world adapting faith as it sees fit, scaling back its dogmatic edges and replacing intolerance with flexibility. The result is “religion lite, something strongly influenced by the needs of the self.”**

**~Alan Woolf, Sociologist, Boston Univ.**

**When spirituality can mean  
anything. . .**

**It means nothing!!**

# **The NEW Spirituality? . . .**

**It's whatever YOU want it to be**

**But . . .**

**Is that what the Bible says?**

**What is spirituality?**

**What does it mean to be spiritually alive?**

**Or to have a spiritual life?**

**How do we acquire a spiritual life?**

**How is that spiritual life matured?**

**What are the goals, nourishment, means, methods of spirituality?**

# Key Biblical Terms

**πνευματικός** *pneumatikos*

spiritual, something related to the “spirit”

**εὐσέβεια** *eusebeia*

usually translated “godliness” but refers to the spiritual life.

**NIDNTT:** “devoutness, piety, fear of God, religion”

Generally describes the positive characteristics of one who is growing spiritually.

**1 Tim. 6:11, “But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness.”**

**Titus 2:12, “teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,”**

**2 Pet. 3:11, “Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,”**

**1 Tim. 4:7, “But reject profane and old wives’ fables, and exercise yourself toward godliness.”**

**1 Tim. 4:8, “For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.”**

**Rom. 8:28, “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.**

**Rom. 8:29, “For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.”**



**1 Cor. 2:13, “which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.**

**1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”**

1 Cor. 2:13, “which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

πνευματικός  
*pneumatikos* dat  
neut plur

πνευματικός  
*pneumatikos*  
acc neut plur  
spiritual

1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

1 Cor. 2:13, “which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

πνευματικός  
*pneumatikos* dat  
neut plur

πνευματικός  
*pneumatikos*  
acc neut plur  
spiritual

1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

πνευματικῶς *pneumatikōs* Adverb spiritually

1 Cor. 2:9, “but just as it is written,  
**‘Things which** eye has not seen and ear  
has not heard, And *which* have not  
entered the heart of man, All that [**the**  
**things which**] God has prepared for  
those who love Him.’ ”

[Isa. 52:15; 64:4]

Key question:

To what does “things which” refer?

1 Cor. 2:9, “but just as it is written,  
*‘Things which eye has not seen and ear  
has not heard, And which have not  
entered the heart of man, All that [the  
things which] God has prepared for  
those who love Him.’ ”*

[Isa. 52:15; 64:4]

Key questions:

1. To what does “things which” refer?
2. To whom is this quote originally written?

# INSPIRATIONAL BIBLE QUOTE

If thou therefore wilt worship  
me, all shall be thine. (KJV)

—*Luke 4:7*

*Thursday*

JULY

3



## The Importance of Context

**Matt. 4:8, “Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.**

**Matt. 4:9, “And he said to Him, ‘All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me.’ ”**

**1 Cor. 2:9, “but just as it is written, “*Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, And which have not entered the heart of man, All that God has prepared for those who love Him.*”**

**Isa. 52:15, “So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, and what they had not heard they shall consider.”**

**Isa. 64:4, “For since the beginning of the world men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, nor has the eye seen any God besides You, who acts for the one who waits for Him.”**



# The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament

**Temporary:** 1 Sam. 16:14; Ps. 51

**Restricted**

**Only leaders in the theocracy:**

**Craftsman: Oholiab and Bezalel Ex. 35:31; 36:2**

**Leaders: The Seventy, Num. 11:25–26**

**Judges: Gideon, Jephthah, Samson,  
Judges 6:34; 11:29; 13:25; 14:6**

**Kings: Saul (1 Sam. 10:6), David (1 Sam 16:13)**

**Prophets: Samuel, Isaiah, Daniel**

**NOT given for sanctification, but for leadership**

**NO indwelling, filling, baptizing, sealing**

## **Conclusion:**

**Since Paul is quoting from Old Testament passages regarding the inability to hear and see apart from the Spirit,**

**the ministry of the Spirit to which he is referring must be one that is NOT unique to the New Testament.**

**The only ministry of the Holy Spirit which fits this is regeneration.**

**Who wrote the gospels?**

**Who wrote the Pentateuch?**

**What is the largest book in the Bible?**

**How many journeys does the book of Acts describe for the Apostle Paul?**

**Who was the one disciple who died a natural death?**

**Who was the last king of the United Kingdom of Israel?**

**How many Magi came to visit the baby Jesus?**

**Can you outline the epistle to the Romans?**

**Can you list the 27 books of the New Testament in order?**

**There are 1,189 chapters in the Bible.**

**There are 31,103 verses in the Bible.**

**If you read 4 chapters a day, you would read the Bible in a year.**

**How long does it take to read an average chapter in the Bible?**

**At 250 words a minute (average) that will take 53.5 hours.**

**So at 62 minutes a week that comes down to 10.5 minutes a day.**

1 Cor. 2:9, “but just as it is written,  
*‘Things which eye has not seen and ear  
has not heard, And which have not  
entered the heart of man, All that [the  
things which] God has prepared for  
those who love Him.’ ”*

[Isa. 52:15; 64:4]

Key questions:

1. To what does “things which” refer?
2. To whom is this quote originally written?

**1 Cor. 2:10, “For to us God revealed *them* through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.**

**1 Cor. 2:11, “For who among men knows the *thoughts* of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the *thoughts* of God no one knows except the Spirit of God [*to pneuma tou Theou*].”**

1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God [*to pneuma tou theou*], for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

**yuciko", *psuchikos***

**Soulish**



**Jude 19, “These are the ones who cause divisions, worldly-minded, devoid of the Spirit.”**

**Jude 19, “These are the ones who cause divisions, worldly-minded, devoid of the Spirit.”**



**yuciko", *psuchikos***

**Soulish**

**Jude 19, “These are the ones who  
cause divisions, worldly-minded,  
devoid of the Spirit.”**

**yuciko", *psuchikos***

**Soulish**

**pneu`ma mh; e  
[conte",  
*Pneuma me echontes,*  
**Not having spirit****

1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man [not having a spirit man] does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

**yuciko", *psuchikos***

**Soulish**

**1 Cor 2:14, “But a natural man [not having a spirit man] does not accept the things of [from] the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned/appraised.”**

**ἀνακρίνω *anakrinō***

**pres act indic 3 sing**

**to examine, to investigate**

1 Cor. 2:15, “But he who is spiritual appraises **all things**, yet he himself is appraised by no one.

1 Cor. 2:16, “For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he will instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ.”

ἀνακρίνω *anakrinō*

pres act indic 3 sing

to examine, to investigate

**Gen. 2:17, “but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die.”**

# **Understanding Spiritual Death and Spiritual Birth**



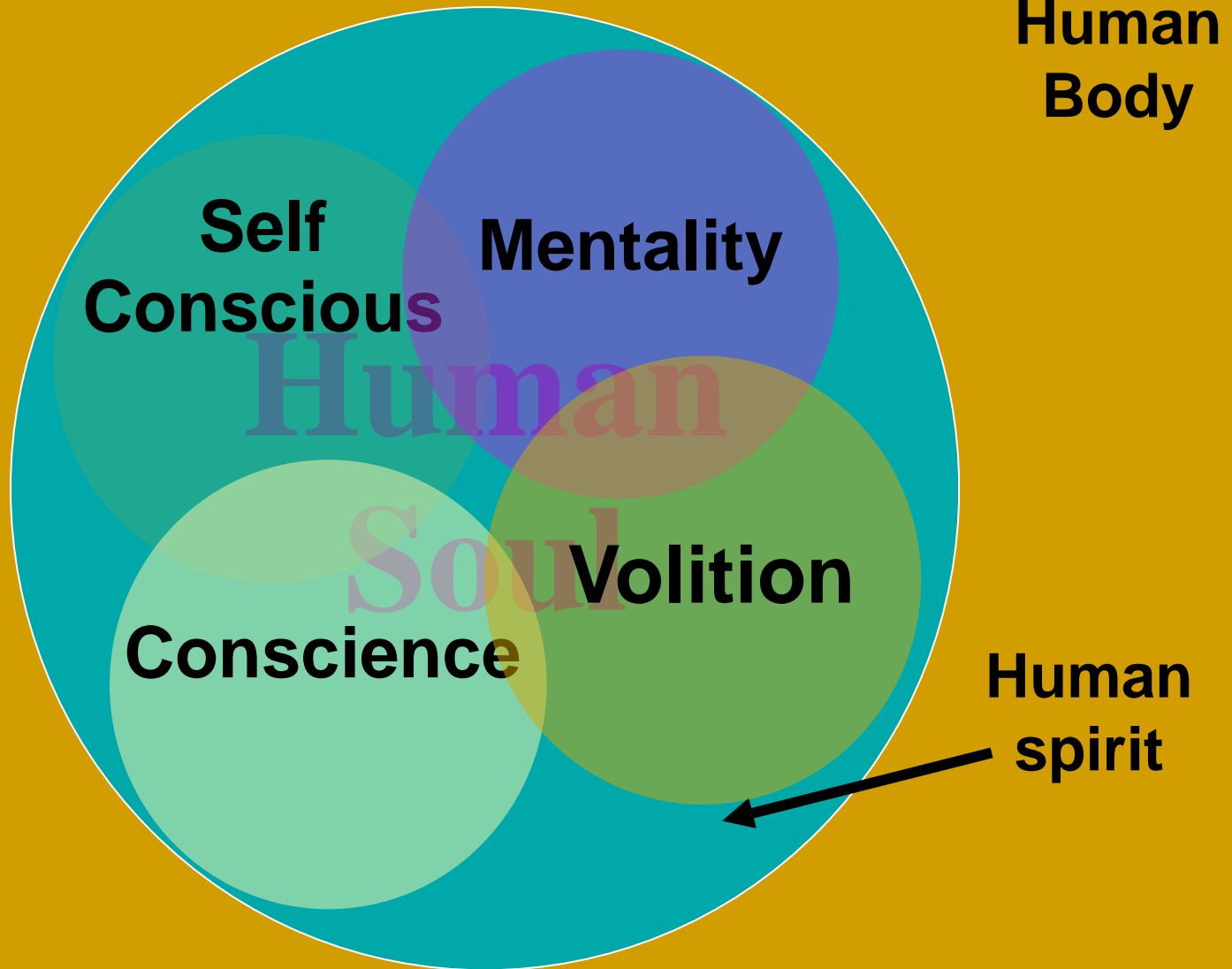
**Eph. 2:1, “And you He made alive,  
who were dead in trespasses and  
sins,”**

**Col. 2:13, “And you, being dead in  
your trespasses and the  
uncircumcision of your flesh, He has  
made alive together with Him, having  
forgiven you all trespasses,”**

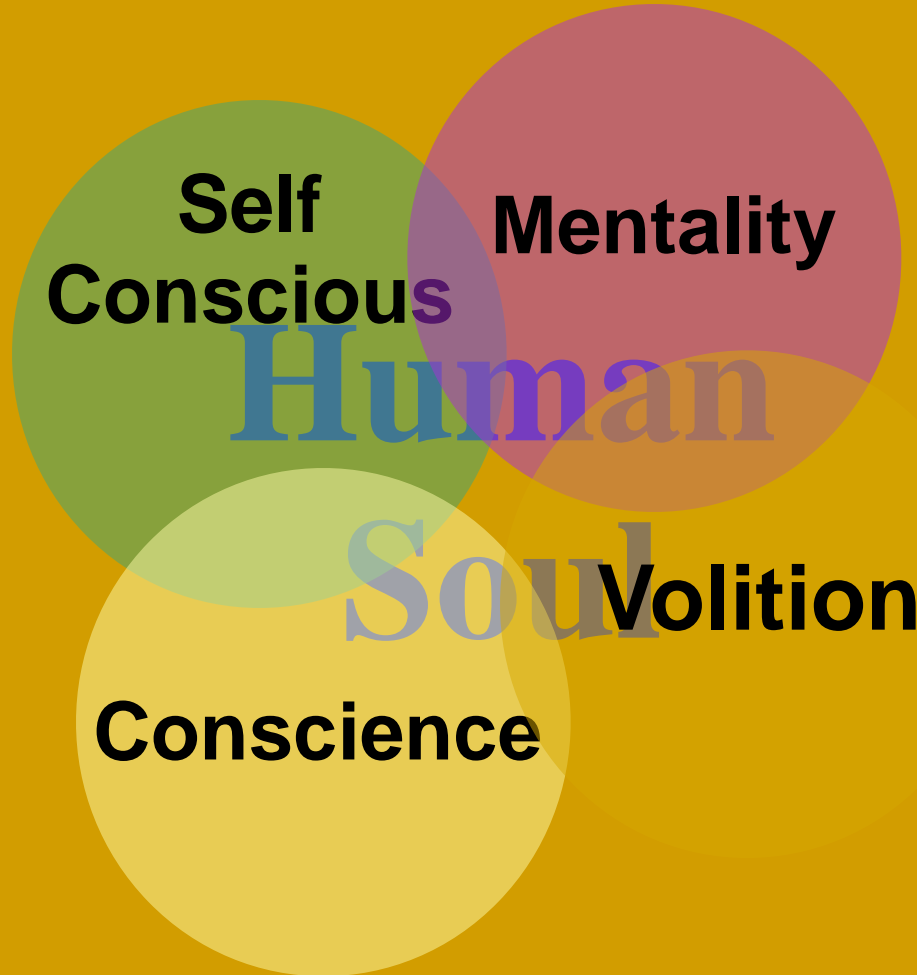
**Heb. 4:12, “For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”**

**1 Thess. 5:23, “Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit



# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit



Human  
Body

Self  
Conscious

Mentality

Human

Soul

Volition

Conscience

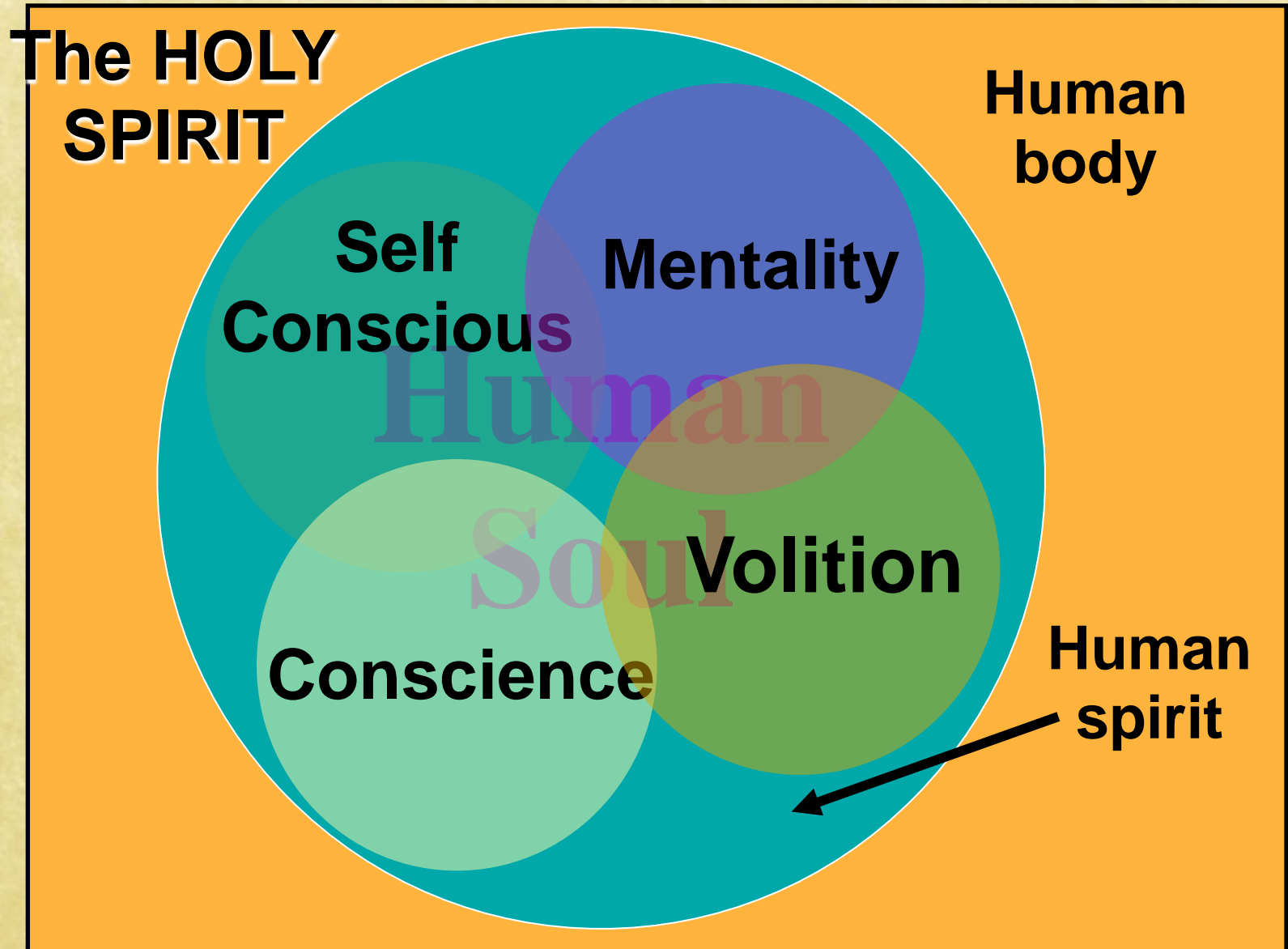
**John 3:2, “this man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, ‘Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.’ ”**

**John 3:3, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.’ ”**

**Titus 3:5, “He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,”**



# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit



# **The Grace Solution: Regeneration**

man

S

I

N

GOD

+R

J

**man**

**Position  
in Adam**

**Spiritual  
Death**

**-R**

**Character  
of God**

**Penalty  
of Sin**

**SIN**

**GOD**

**+R**

**J**

**man**

**Position  
in Adam**

~~**Spiritual  
Death**~~

~~**-R**~~

~~**Character  
of God**~~

~~**Penalty  
of Sin**~~

~~**SIN**~~

**Regeneration**

**Imputation  
Justification**

**Propitiation  
(Expiation)**

**Redemption**

**Unlimited  
Atonement**

**GOD**

**+R  
J**

# 1. Terminology

**Spiritual birth, or being “born again.” At the moment a person expresses faith alone in Christ alone the Holy Spirit creates a human spirit and God the Father simultaneously imputes eternal life to the human spirit and the believer passes from spiritual death to spiritual life (John 3:3–7; Titus 3:5).**

**Regeneration is a technical term derived from the Greek:**

***paliggenesia*: 2× Titus 3:5; Matt. 19:28**

***gennaō anōthen*: literally born again or born from above (John 3)**

***anagennaō* to beget again, cause to be born again**



**John 3:1, “Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews;**

**John 3:2, “this man came to Him by night, and said to Him, ‘Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.’**

**John 3:3, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again [*gennao anothen*], he cannot see the kingdom of God.’ ”**

**John 8:12, “Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life.’ ”**

**John 12:35, “Jesus therefore said to them, ‘For a little while longer the light is among you. Walk while you have the light, that darkness may not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes.’ ”**

**John 12:46, “I have come as light into the world, that everyone who believes in Me may not remain in darkness.”**

**Matt. 4:16, “The people who were sitting in darkness saw a great light, and to those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, upon them a light dawned.”**

**John 3:4, “Nicodemus said to Him, ‘How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?’**

**John 3:5, “Jesus answered, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.**

**John 3:6, “ ‘That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.’ ”**

## **The Problem:**

### **What is Spiritual Death?**

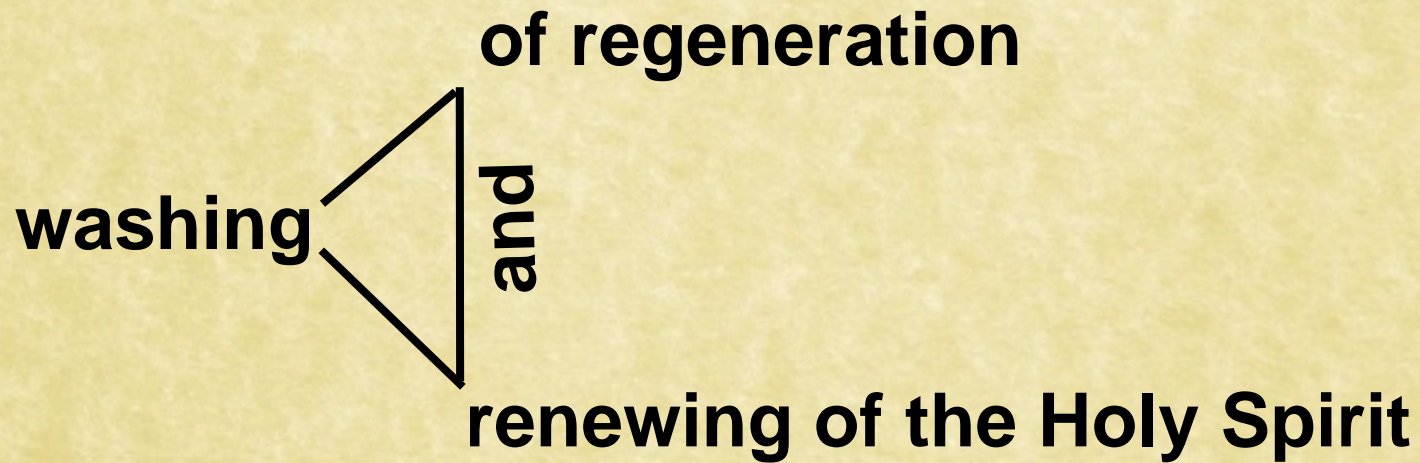
**Gen. 2:17, “but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”**

**1 Thess. 5:23, “Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

**Titus 3:5, “not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,**

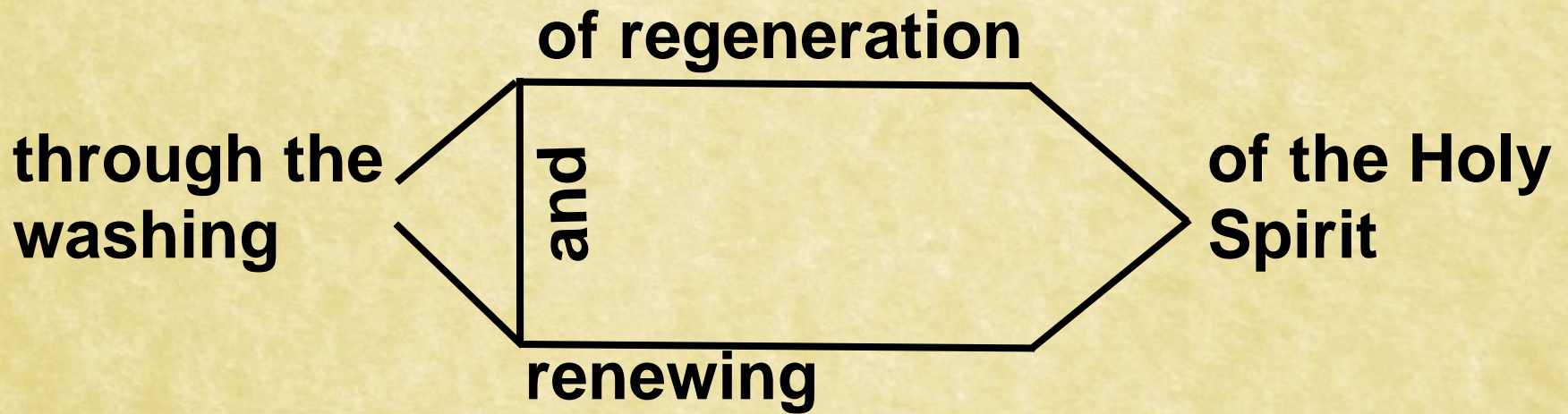
**Titus 3:6, “whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,”**

**Through the washing of regeneration and  
renewing of the Holy Spirit,**





**Through the washing of regeneration and  
renewing of the Holy Spirit,**



**Through the washing of regeneration and  
renewing of the Holy Spirit,**

**through the washing of regeneration**



**and**

**renewing of the Holy Spirit**

1 Cor. 2:12, “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit who is from God [*EK tou theou*], that we might know the things freely given to us by God,”

**1 Cor. 2:13, “which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.”**

**1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”**

**1 Cor. 3:1, “And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual men, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ.”**

**1 Cor. 3:1, “And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual men, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ.”**

**πνευματικός**

***pneumatikos***

**Adjective**

**dat masc**

**plur**

**“spiritual”**

1 Cor. 3:1, “And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual *men*, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ.”

πνευματικός

*pneumatikos*

Adjective

dat masc

plur

“spiritual”

σάρκινος

*sarkinos*

Adjective

dat masc plur

“fleshly, carnal,  
mortal, weak”



1 Cor. 3:1, “And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual *men*, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ.”

πνευματικός  
*pneumatikos*

Adjective  
dat masc  
plur  
“spiritual”

νήπιος *nēpios*

Adjective dat  
masc plur  
“infant; child,  
but used as an  
insult of  
someone who  
should act their  
age, and not like  
a baby”

σάρκινος  
*sarkinos*

Adjective  
dat masc plur  
“fleshly, carnal,  
mortal, weak”

**1 Cor. 3:2, “I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able;**

**1 Cor. 3:3, “for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?”**

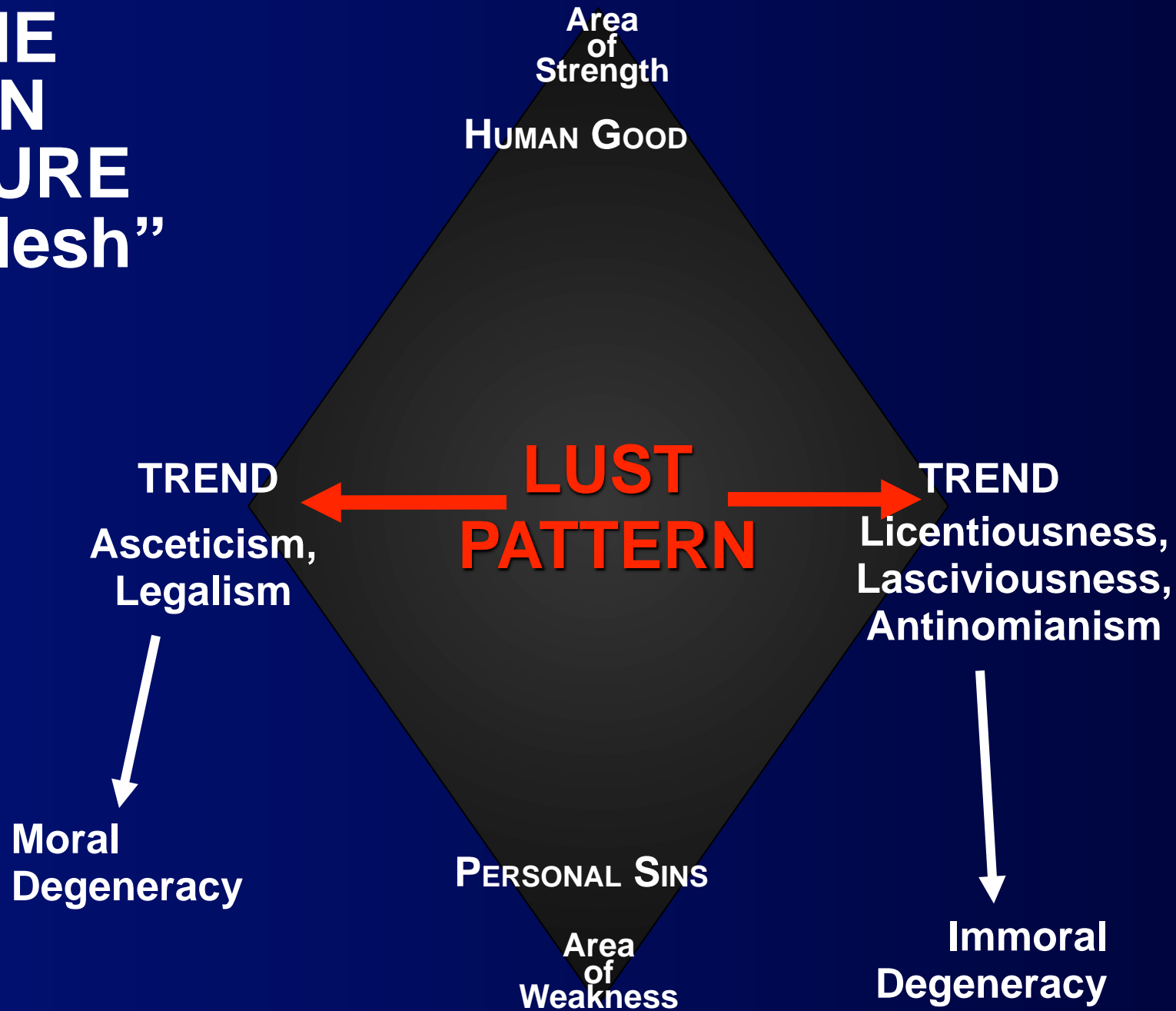
**σαρκικός *sarkikos***

**Adjective nom masc**

**plur**

**“belonging to the domain of the flesh; after the manner of the flesh”**

# THE SIN NATURE “the flesh”



**Rom. 8:3, “For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,**

**Rom. 8:4, “that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.**

**Rom. 8:5, “For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.**

**Rom. 8:6, “For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.”**

**Rom. 8:1, “There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who **do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**”**

**Rom. 8:2, “For the **law of the Spirit** of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the **law of sin and death.**”**

**Rom. 8:3, “For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,**

**Rom. 8:4, “that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not **walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.**”**

**2 Cor. 10:2, “But I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.”**

**2 Cor. 10:3, “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.”**

# Death in the Bible

- 1. Spiritual death—Eph. 2:1; Rom. 5:12; 6:23; 1 Cor. 15:22**
- 2. Physical death—Matt. 8:22; 2 Cor. 5:1–8; Rom. 8:38, 39; Phil. 1:21**
- 3. Second death—Heb. 9:27; Rev. 20:12–15**
- 4. Carnal death—James 2:26, “faith without works is non-productive”**
- 5. Positional death—Rom. 6; Col. 2:12, 20; 3:3**
- 6. Sexual death—Rom. 4:16–21**

**Rom. 8:5, “For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.**

**Rom. 8:6, “For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.**

**Rom. 8:7, “Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.**

**Rom. 8:8, “So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.**

**Rom. 8:9, “But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.**

**Rom. 8:10, “And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.”**



## SURPRISING BOOK FACTS

33% of High School Graduates never read another book the rest of their lives



42% of college grads never read another book after college

57% of new books are not read to completion

70% of US adults have not been in a bookstore the last five years

80% of US families did not buy or read a book last year

The more a child reads, the likelier they are able to understand the emotions of others



Reading one hour per day in your chosen field will make you an international expert in 7 years.

1 Cor. 2:12, “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God [*to pneuma EK tou theou*] human not HOLY Spirit], so that we may know **the things** freely given to us by God,

1 Cor. 2:13, “which **things** we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual *thoughts* with spiritual *words*.”

1 Cor. 2:14, “But a natural man does not accept **the things** of the Spirit of God [*to pneuma tou theou*], for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are **spiritually** appraised.”

**1 Cor. 3:2, “I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able;**

**1 Cor. 3:3, “for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?”**

**σαρκικός *sarkikos*  
Adjective nom masc  
plur  
“belonging to the  
domain of the flesh;  
after the manner of  
the flesh”**

**περιπατέω  
*peripateō*  
pres act indic 2 plur  
“to walk, walk around  
used as a metaphor for  
how a person lives their  
life.”**

Rom. 8:1, “There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who **do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**

Rom. 8:2, “For the **law of the Spirit** of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the **law of sin and death.**

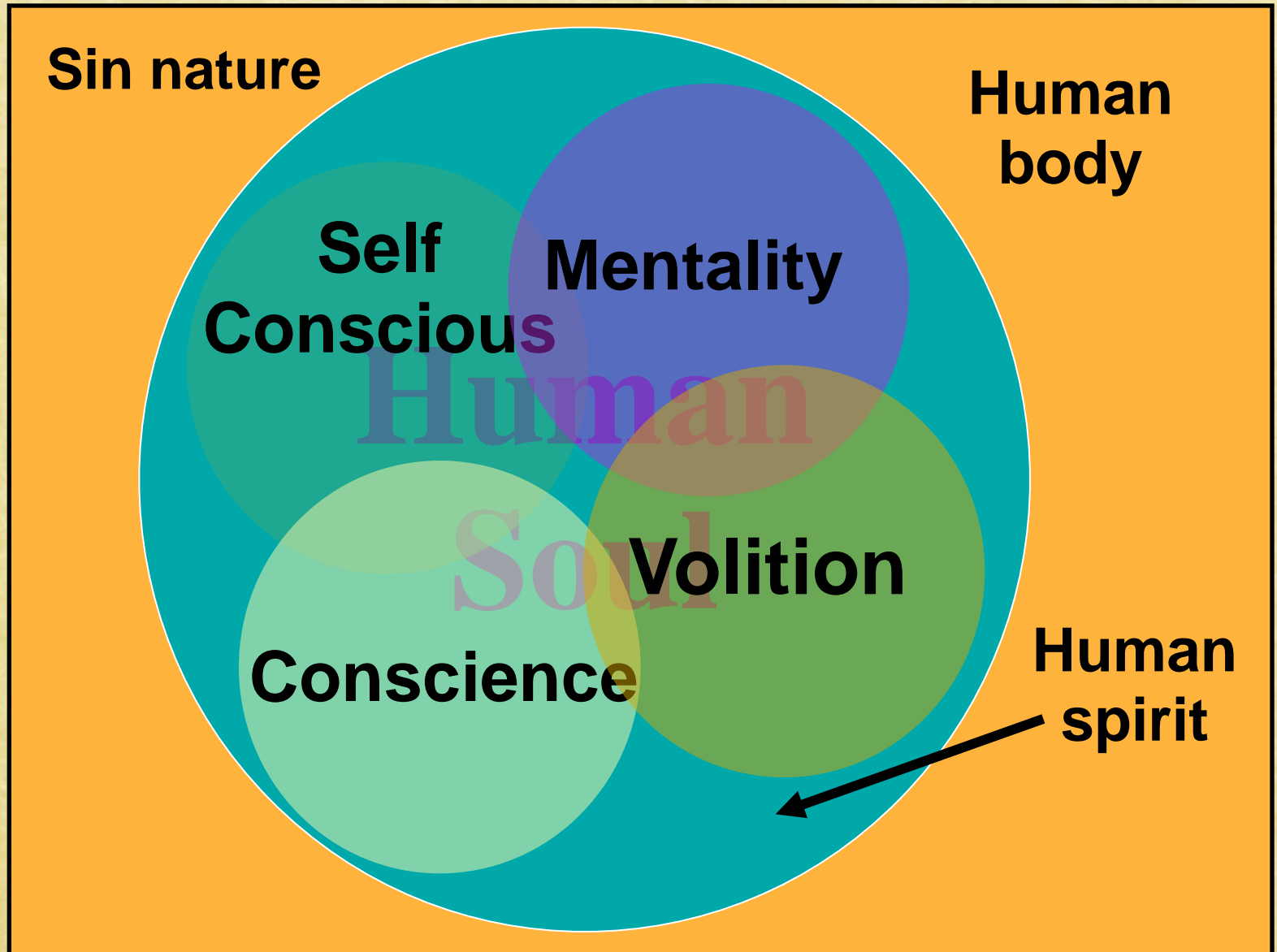
Rom. 8:3, “For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,

Rom. 8:4, “that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not **walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.**”

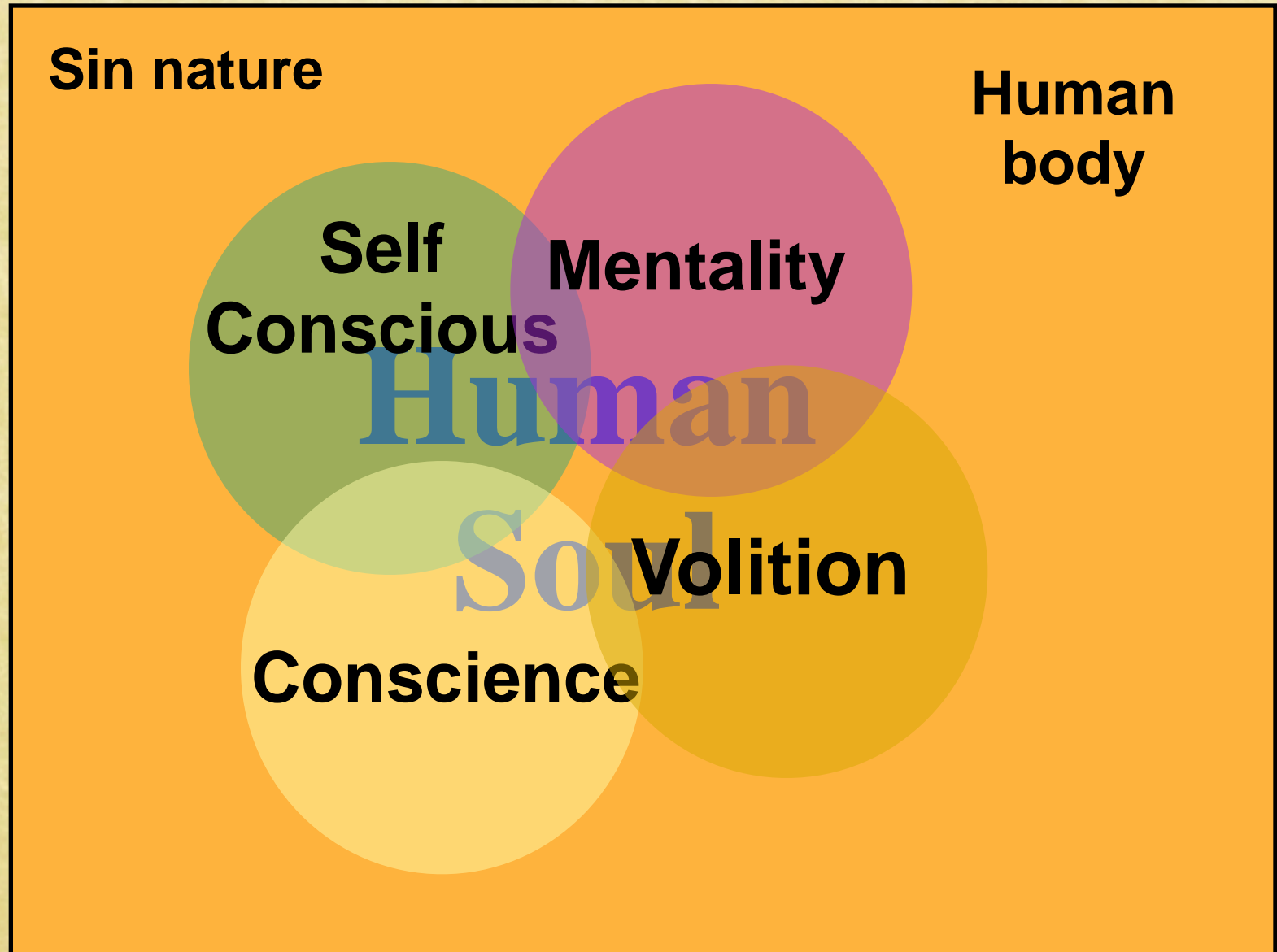
**2 Cor. 10:2, “But I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.”**

**2 Cor. 10:3, “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.”**

# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit

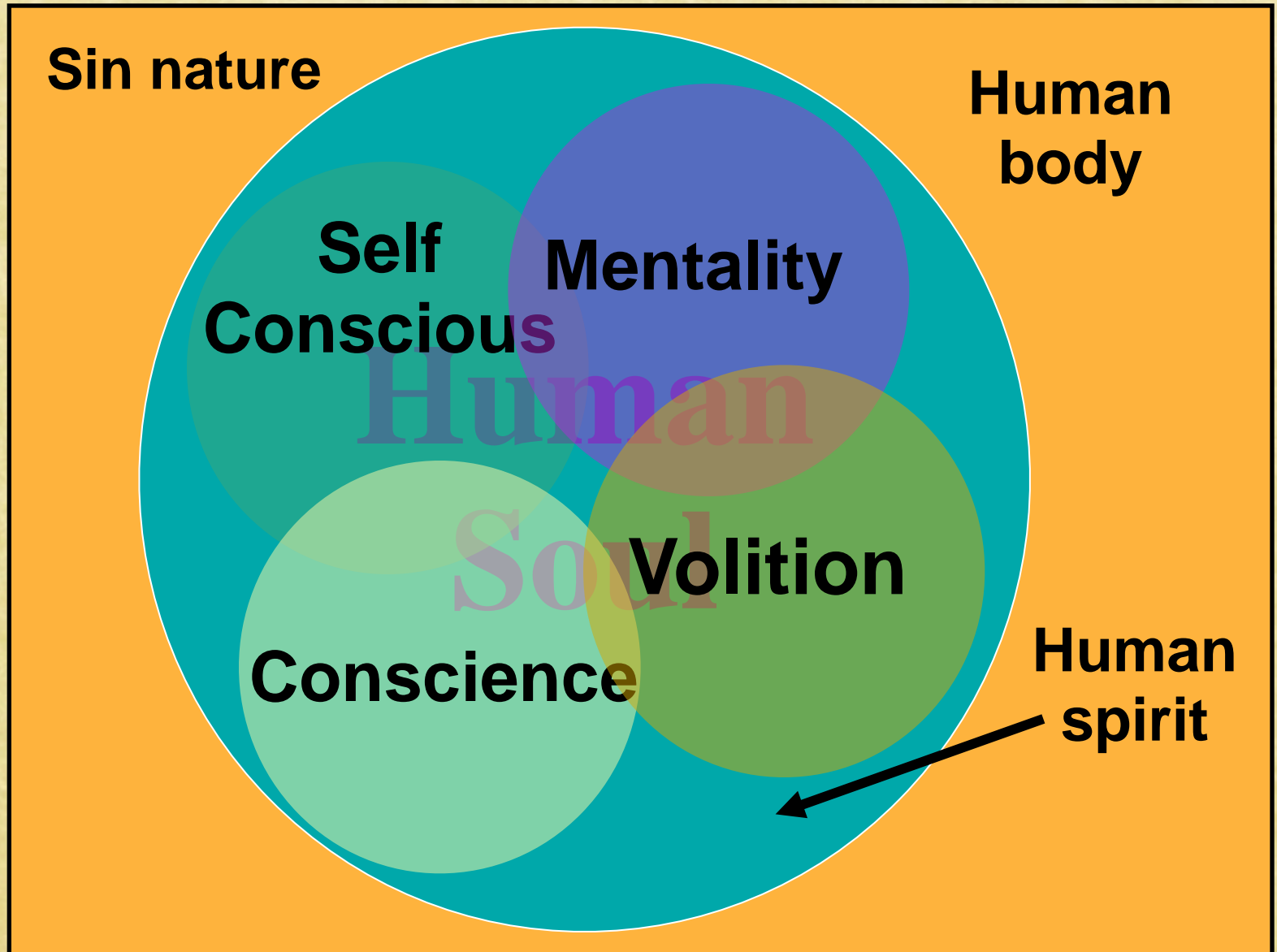


# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit





# The Three Parts of a Human Being: Body, Soul, and Spirit



**Gal. 3:1, “O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed among you as crucified?”**

**Gal. 3:2, “This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?”**

**Gal. 3:3, “Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?”**

**Gal. 3:2, “This only I want to learn from you:  
Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the  
law, or by the hearing of faith?”**

**Gal. 3:3, “Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?”**

**Gal. 3:3, “Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?”**

**Gal. 3:3, “Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?”**

**ἐπιτελέω *epiteleō***

pres pass indic 2 plur  
to complete, perform

**Gal. 5:16, “I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.”**

**τελέω *teleō***

pres pass indic 2 plur  
to complete, finish, carry out, accomplish

**Gal. 5:16, “I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.”**

**τελέω *teleō***

pres pass indic 2 plur  
to complete, finish, carry  
out, accomplish

**Paraphrase: Walk by means of the Spirit and it will be impossible for you to accomplish the lust of the flesh.**

**Gal. 5:17, “For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.**

**Gal. 5:18, “But if<sup>1</sup> you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.”**



**Gal. 5:19, “Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,**

**Gal. 5:20, “idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,**

**Gal. 5:21, “envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”**

**Gal. 5:22, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,**

**Gal. 5:23, “gentleness, self-control. against such there is no law.**

**Gal. 5:24, “And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.”**

# THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

**PHASE  
ONE**



**Justification**

**Positional  
Sanctification**

**Freed from  
Penalty of Sin**

**PHASE  
TWO**

**Spiritual  
Life**

**Progressive  
Sanctification**

**Freed from  
Power of Sin**

**PHASE  
THREE**



**Glorification**

**Ultimate  
Sanctification**

**Freed from  
Presence of Sin**

**Rom. 6:11, “Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Rom. 6:12, “Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.**

**Rom. 6:13, “And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.**

**Rom. 6:14, “For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.”**

**Rom. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?”**

**Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?”**

**Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”**

**Rom. 6:4, “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. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?**

**Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?**

**Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?**

**Rom. 6:4, “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. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?

Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?”

ἐπιμένω *epimeno*

pres act subj 1 plur

to remain, stay,  
continue

often used for  
fellowship

Rom. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?”

Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?”

ἐπιμένω *epimeno*

pres act subj 1 plur

to remain, stay,  
continue

often used for  
fellowship

πλεονάζω *pleonazō*

aor act subj 3

sing, to be or  
become more or  
great, to grow, to  
increase; to  
increase



Rom. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?”

Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who **died** to sin live any longer in it?”

ἐπιμένω *epimeno*

pres act subj 1 plur

to remain, stay,  
continue

often used for  
fellowship

πλεονάζω *pleonazō*

aor act subj 3

sing, to be or  
become more or  
great, to grow, to  
increase; to  
increase

ἀποθνήσκω

*apothnēskō*

2 aor act indic 1 plur  
to die

Rom. 6:1, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?”

Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who **died** to sin **live** any longer in it?”

ζάω *zāō*

**fut** act indic 1 plur

to live

continue

often used for  
fellowship

πλεονάζω *pleonazō*

aor act subj 3

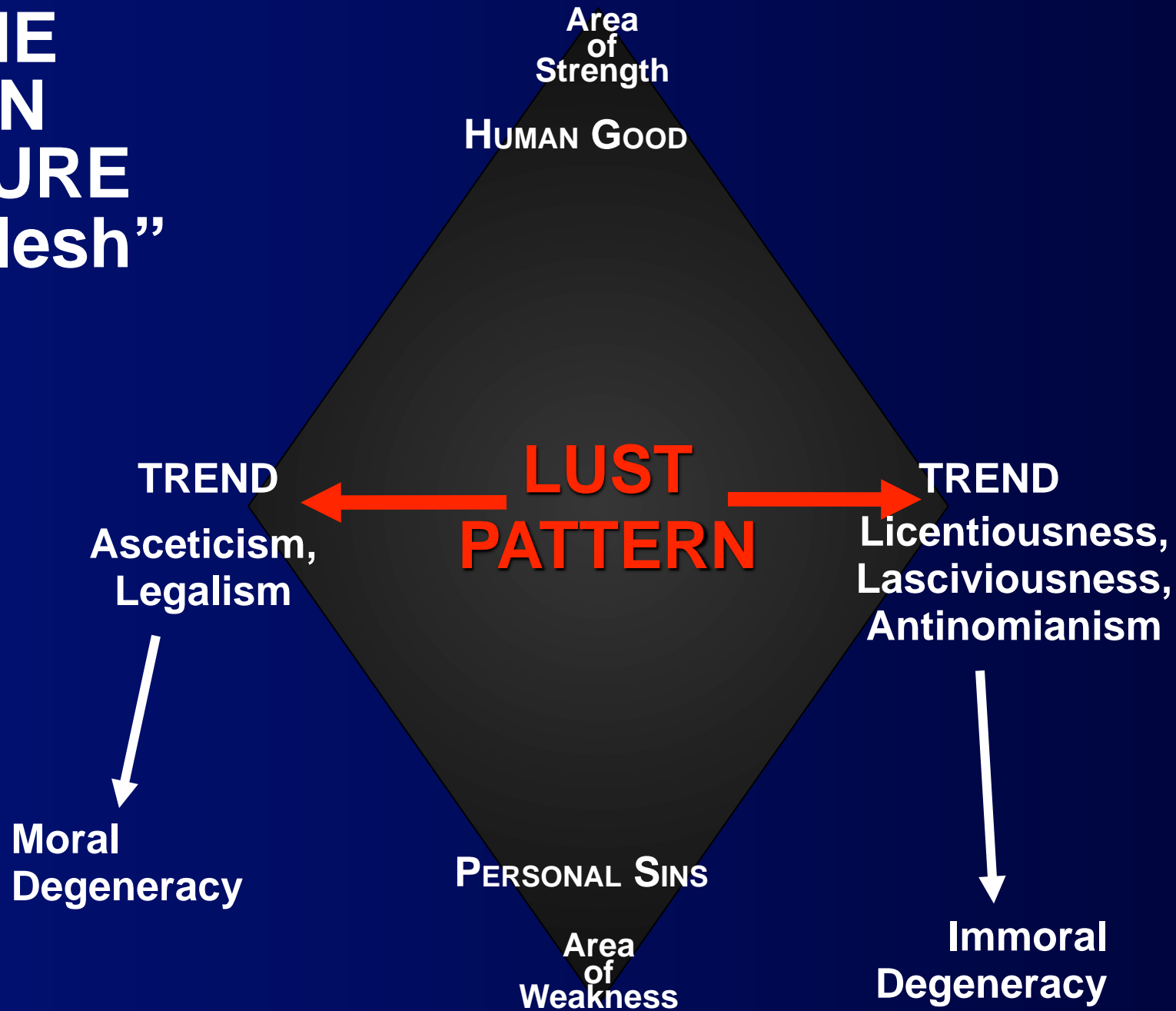
sing, to be or  
become more or  
great, to grow, to  
increase; to  
increase

ἀποθνήσκω

*apothnēskō*

**2 aor** act indic 1 plur  
to die

# THE SIN NATURE “the flesh”



Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

Rom. 6:4, “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.**”

βαπτίζω *baptizō*

Verb aor pass indic 1  
plur

to wash, dip, immerse,  
plunge

περιπατέω *peripateō*

Verb aor act subj 1 plur

to walk, walk around

**1. Definition: baptism [Greek, βαπτίζω (*baptizo*), “to dip, to plunge, to immerse”] As an action it signified the identification of someone with an action, a person, an object, or a new status in life.**

**Denotation (literal meaning): immersion**

**Connotation (figurative meaning): identification**

**ETERNAL  
REALITIES**

**TEMPORAL  
REALITIES**

**ACTS 16:31**

**IN CHRIST**

**Baptism by the  
Holy Spirit**

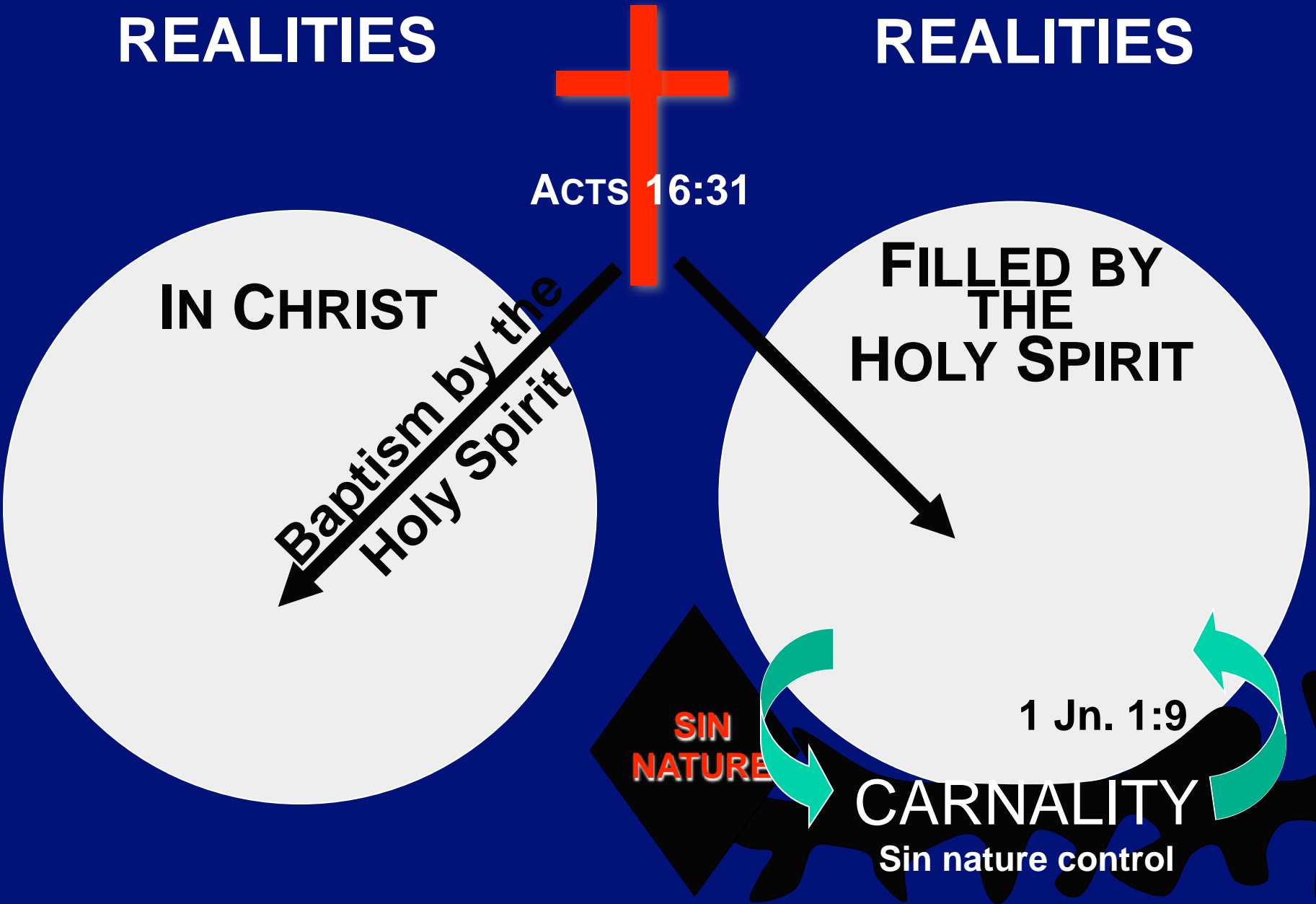
**FILLED BY  
THE  
HOLY SPIRIT**

**SIN  
NATURE**

**1 Jn. 1:9**

**CARNALITY**

**Sin nature control**



- 2. The three ritual [water] baptisms are:**
  - a. The baptism of Jesus (Matt. 3:13–17)**
  - b. The baptism of John the Baptist (Matt. 3:1–11)**
  - c. The baptism of believers (Acts 2:38, 41; 8:36–38)**

### **3. The five real baptisms**

- a. The baptism of Noah. (1 Peter 3:20–21)**
- b. The baptism of Moses (1 Cor. 10:2)**
- c. The baptism of fire, (Matt. 3:13–17)**
- d. The baptism of the cross (Mark 10:38–39)**
- e. The baptism of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 12:13)**



**4. So which kind of baptism is Paul writing about here?**

**4. So which kind of baptism is Paul writing about here?**

**Acts 10:44, “While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word.**

**Acts 10:45, “And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.**

**Acts 10:46, “For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered,**

**Acts 10:47, “Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?”**

**4. So which kind of baptism is Paul writing about here?**

**Acts 16:14, “Now a certain woman named Lydia heard us. She was a seller of purple from the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God. The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul.**

**Acts 16:15, “And when she and her household were baptized, she begged us, saying, ‘If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.’ So she persuaded us.”**

**4. So which kind of baptism is Paul writing about here?**

**Acts 16:31, “So they said, ‘Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.’**

**Acts 16:32, “Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.**

**Acts 16:33, “And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized.**

**Acts 16:34, “Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.”**

**4. So which kind of baptism is Paul writing about here?**

**Baptism is also used for death, in the “baptism” of Christ.**

**Matt. 20:22, “But Jesus answered and said, ‘You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?’ They said to Him, ‘We are able.’ ” (cf., Mark 10:38)**

**Luke 12:50, “But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!”**

**5. There is much confusion over the Baptism of the Holy Spirit since the beginning of the Pentecostal movement.**

**Pentecostals believed in two baptisms with/by the Holy Spirit—one at salvation, and one after salvation.**

**The problem derives from the English of the KJV.**

**Matthew 3:11, “I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:”**

**1 Corinthians 12:13, “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.”**

Matthew 3:11, “I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:”

ἐν πνεύματι, *en pneumati*;  
En plus the dative,  
By means of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:13, “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.”



**Problem:**

**Pentecostal-Charismatic theology ends up with two baptisms of the Holy Spirit:**

**one *by* the Holy Spirit *at* salvation,**

**one *with* the Holy Spirit *after* salvation.**

1 Cor. 12:13, “For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”

**ἐν πνεύματι, *en pneumati*;**  
***En* plus the dative,**  
**“By means of the Spirit”**

**βαπτίζω , *baptizo***  
**Aor *pass* ind, 1p**  
**“To dip, plunge, immerse**  
**to identify”**

1 Cor. 12:13, “For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”

**ἐν πνεύματι, *en pneumati*;**  
***En* plus the dative,**  
**“By means of the Spirit”**

**βαπτίζω, *baptizo***  
**Aor *pass* ind, 1p**  
**“To dip, plunge, immerse**  
**to identify”**

**εἰς, *eis***

**With the accusative**  
**indicating**  
**“Direction, goal”**

**John hit the ball with [by means of] the bat.**

John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.

Verb

**John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.**

**Subj Verb**

**Active voice: the subject (JOHN) performs the action**

**John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.**

**Subj Verb Object**

**The OBJECT receives the action of the verb.**

**John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.**

**Subj Verb Object instrumental/means**



**Rendered with a passive verb**

**The ball was hit with [by] the bat.**

**Rendered with a passive verb**

**The ball was hit with [by] the bat.**

**“was hit” is passive voice, the subject receives the action of the verb.**

**Rendered with a passive verb plus prep. “by.”**

**The ball was hit by John with [by] the bat.**

**Subj            verb            performer /agent            means**

Rendered with a passive verb, in Greek preposition  
“hupo.”

**The ball was hit by John with [by] the bat.**

Subj      verb      performer/agent      means

Greek uses      *εν en*      *υπο, hupo* or *δια, dia*

**6. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit (BHS) was first prophesied by John the Baptist at the incarnation; and Jesus Christ in Acts 1:5.**

**At those times the BHS was *future*.**

**7. In Matthew, the subject of the active voice verb is Jesus Christ. It is Jesus Christ who performs the action of baptism by means of the Holy Spirit.**

**Matthew 3:11, “I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but HE that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: HE shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:”**

**Matt. 3:11, “As for me, I baptize [pres active ind]  
you  
with water [*en hudatī*]  
for [*eis*] repentance,**

**but He who is coming after me is mightier than I,  
and I am not fit to remove His sandals;**

**He will baptize you  
with the Holy Spirit [*en pneumatī*] and fire.”**

**NOTE: No *eis* clause in the second line.**

Matt. 3:11, “As for me, I baptize [pres active ind] you  
**with water [en hudatī]**  
**for [eis] repentance**, but He who is coming after me is  
mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals;

He will baptize you  
with the Holy Spirit [**en pneumatī**] and fire.

**en expresses means or instrument**

**eis, expresses the goal, or direction**

The grammatical subject is the agent of the action.



1 Cor. 12:13, “For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”

**ἐν πνεύματι, *en pneumati*;**  
***En* plus the dative,**  
**“By means of the Spirit”**

**βαπτίζω, *baptizo***  
**Aor *pass* ind, 1p**  
**“To dip, plunge, immerse**  
**to identify”**

**εἰς, *eis***

**With the accusative**  
**indicating**  
**“Direction, goal”**

## **8. Conclusion**

**Rom. 6:3, with a passive voice verb states the direction of the baptism, into [*eis*] Christ, i.e., the new body of Christ—the Church (1 Cor. 12:13).**

**The REASON for this baptism is now stated—**

Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

Rom. 6:4, “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.”

βαπτίζω *baptizō*

Verb aor pass indic  
1 plur

“to wash, dip,  
immerse, plunge”

περιπατέω *peripateō* Verb  
aor act subj 1 plur

“to walk, walk around”

καινότης *kainotēs*  
Noun dat fem sing  
“newness”

Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

Rom. 6:4, “Therefore we **were buried** with Him through baptism into death, even so we also **should walk** in newness of life.”

βαπτίζω *baptizō*

Verb aor pass indic  
1 plur

“to wash, dip,  
immerse, plunge”

περιπατέω *peripateō* Verb

aor act subj 1 plur

“to walk, walk around”

καινότης *kainotēs*

Noun dat fem sing

“newness”

**Rom. 7:6, “But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.”**

**καινότης *kainotēs***

**Noun dat fem sing**

**“newness” (connects with the use of the noun in Rom. 6:4)**

## **Conclusion:**

**The purpose for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is to break the tyranny of the Sin Nature by IDENTIFYING us with the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.**

**O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His grace!**

**He breaks the power of canceled sin,  
[when was it cancelled?]  
He sets the prisoner free;  
[when?]  
His blood [death] can make the foulest clean,  
His blood [death] availed for me.**