

The Fragmented Soul

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Notes on the Heart and Soul

The soul traditionally has been considered to consist of the mind, will: and emotions. This is a Biblical concept.

The soul is the mind:

Wonderful are Thy works, and my soul knows it very well. (Psalm 139:14b)

For as he reckons in his soul, so he is. (Proverbs 23:7)

Then Mordecai commanded them to answer Esther, 'Do not think within your soul that you shall escape in the king's house any more than the Jews.' (Esther 4:13, literal translation)

Also it is not good for a soul to be without knowledge. (**Proverbs 19:2**, literal translation)

The soul is the will:

Then Thou dost frighten me with dreams and terrify me by visions; so that my soul would choose suffocation, death rather than my pains. (Job 7:14-15)

My soul refuses to touch them; they are like loathsome food to me. (**Job 6:7**)

In the night my hand was stretched out without weariness; my soul refused to be comforted.

(Psalm 77:2b)

The soul is the emotions:

And my soul shall rejoice in the Lord ... (Psalm 35:9)

Then He said to them, 'My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death' ... (Matthew 26:38)

Tell me, O you whom my soul loves ... (Song of Solomon 1:7)

Moreover, I will make My dwelling among you and My soul will not abhor you. (Leviticus 26:11)

But if you will not listen to it, my soul will sob in secret for such pride ... (Jeremiah 13:17)

His soul trembles within him. (Isaiah 15:4)

The soul also contains the realm of the desires and appetites:

When the Lord your God extends your border as He has promised you, and you say, 'I will eat meat, I because your soul desires to eat meat, then you may eat meat whatever is in every desire of your soul.

(**Deuteronomy 12:20**, literal translation w/NAS margin)

A sated soul loathes honey, but to a famished soul and bitter thing is sweet. (**Proverbs 27:7**, literal translation w/NAS margin)

The righteous eats to the satisfaction of his soul... (Proverbs 13:25)

Like cold water to a weary soul, so is good news from a distant land. (**Proverbs 25:25**)

The heart is also the mind, will and emotions:

Mind: "Then I sent a message to him saying, 'Such things as you are saying have not been done, but you are inventing them from your heart." (Nehemiah 6:8, NAS w/margin; Psalm 140:2, Genesis 6:5)

Will: "And the assembly brought sacrifices and thank offerings and all those who were willing of heart brought burnt offerings."

(II Chronicles 29:31; Exodus 35:5)

"... there were great resolves of heart."

(Judges 5:15; Psalm 119:2)

Emotions: "Behold, My servants shall sing joyfully with a glad heart, but you shall cry out with a heavy (literally 'pain of') heart." (Isaiah 65:14) Desire of heart, (Romans 10:1) Anguish of heart, (Psalm 55:4). It is the heart that fears God. (Isaiah 63:17).

The heart also has appetites:

And on the fifth day he arose to go early in the morning, and the girl's father said 'Please sustain your heart, and whew until afternoon;' so both of them ate. (Judges 19:8, NAS w/margin)

And wine which makes man's heart glad, so that he may make his face glisten with oil, and food which sustains man's heart. (**Psalm 104:15**)

Obviously the heart and soul are very similar. Just as the soul is apparently the intermediary through which the spirit functions, it may be that the heart is the place where all of the functions of the soul are tied together. In the Old Testament according to the **Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament** (Moody, 1980); "*the problem is not with man's flesh, it is with his 'heart'* (**Ezekiel 11:19, 44:7**).

Men cannot even understand the desperately wicked hearts (**Jeremiah 17:9**). However under the New Covenant, Jesus (**Ephesians 3:17**), the Holy Spirit (**Galatians 4:6; II Corinthians 1:22**) and the love of God (**Romans 5:5**) dwell in our hearts.

The Hebrew word for heart sometimes meant center (as **Ezekiel 27:4, 25**), so the heart may be in the center of our soul, tying its functions together. The heart is often referred to the seat of the motivations of our will and spiritual activity, so this traditional definition may also be accurate.

The soul has knowledge (**Psalm 139:14**, **Proverbs 24:14**) but it is apparently the heart that understands:

Render the hearts of this people insensitive, their ears dull, and their eyes dim, lest they see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts, and return and be healed. (**Isaiah 6:10**)

In other words, the heart combines the function of the mind to know and the will to act on that knowledge. Thus is the Biblical idea that one must believe in one's heart to be saved (**Romans 10:9, 10**); real faith is in the heart, (**Mark 11:23**); as opposed to just having knowledge in the soul or what we call "head knowledge" today.

With some exceptions, the Holy Spirit did not dwell in person's hearts under the Old Covenant. He now dwells in the hearts of all believers (**Ezekiel 36:26; Jeremiah 31:31-33; II Corinthians 3:3**). It is apparent that demons can dwell there as well.

For example, **James 4:8** may be a call for deliverance:

Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, you two-souled ones. (literal translation)

Note here that these believers were called two-souled just as in a literal translation of **James 1:8**, "... a two-souled man unstable in all his ways."

Apparently, two souls refers to false soul and a person's own soul. (The Greek word used in both verses is *di-psukos*, literally two-souled.) Purifying is used elsewhere in an apparent reference to deliverance:

Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love for the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart. (**I Peter 1:22**)

This seems to indicate that when Christians are set free from demonic bondage in obedience to the truth in any particular area such as pagan gods, rejection, rebellion, any form of idolatry, etc., it allows them to properly unconditionally love others from a then purified heart. **Romans 2:15** states that the Law of God is written on men's hearts, so perhaps we need to have that Law loosed in us so that we will be able to function according to the Father's will (**Proverbs 3:3 and Deuteronomy 11:18**). We may also be able to write other things on people's hearts, such as love for the brethren, etc.

God promises to circumcise the uncleanness of our hearts, and deliverance may well be a fulfillment of this. (*Deuteronomy 30:6*) This circumcision was to be done to enable us to *"love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, in order that you may live.*"

Your ways and your deeds have done these things to you. This is your evil. How bitter! How it has touched your heart! (**Jeremiah 4:18**)

As in **Romans 1:26**, where God gives sinners over to various spirits in judgment, our actions have reward as well, reaching even to our heart. This gives Satan a foothold (**Ephesians 4:27**) from which it is easier to seduce the victim into repeating the same sin.

It is very important to have a pure heart, perhaps meaning one cleansed from sin (i.e., demons). It is those with a pure heart who can ascend into the hill of the Lord (**Psalm 24:3, 4**). If our hearts do not condemn us, we can ask what we will, and it will be done for us (**I John 3:21, 22**).

The first reference to God's heart, **Genesis 6:6**, says that "*the Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved to His heart*." This may imply that the heart is in the center of God's (and thus man's) being, since He was grieved to His heart.

Out of the heart come the issues of life, so it is to be guarded with diligence (**Proverbs 4:23**). This may imply being guarded against the agents of sin or Satan.

In **Psalm 142:7**, David requests, "*Bring my soul out of prison...*" This establishes the principle that the soul can indeed be held captive somewhere.

(**Revelation 18:13** says that Babylon will literally have cargoes including "souls of men"). The Psalms often speak of the soul being persecuted (**Psalm 63:9; 40:14; 143:12**, etc.). Jesus said that we were not to "*fear those who kill the body, but are unable to kill the soul but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in Gehenna*." (**Matthew 10:28** NAS margin). Certainly, men are unable to actually persecute or afflict a soul for only spiritual beings could accomplish this.

The apostles strengthened the souls of the disciples (**Acts 14:22**) which could well mean deliverance. **Hebrews 13:17** speaks of leaders who keep watch over souls. This might imply that if pastors have false beliefs and doctrines, the spirits of those particular deceptions can be transferred to the congregation, followers, or perhaps even hearers who are susceptible and open. (Souls can be subverted by words, **Acts 15:24**).

III John v. 2, repeatedly quoted by prosperity preachers, declares we are to prosper as our souls prosper. However this does not mean that the average Christian's soul is necessarily prospering. If someone experiences and ministers in deliverance, their soul should indeed be prospering, with physical and material blessings following, for this is God's priority of progression.

Proverbs 6:31 demands that a thief repay seven-fold. Since demons are thieves, they can therefore be commanded to restore everything they have stolen from us (**Isaiah 42:22; Joel 2:25, 26**).

Jesus poured out His soul for us unto death (**Isaiah 53:12**). This may have been literally true, for the life/soul of the flesh is in the blood. (**Leviticus 17:11; Deuteronomy 12:23**)

Referring to restoration, **Nelson's Expository Dictionary of the Old Testament** (Nelson, 1980; Editors Unger and White) says that "'*To heal' may be described as restoring to normal, an act which God typically performs*." In other words, even physical healing may only be the restoration of what should be there in the first place, and would be, had man not fallen.

Redemption is, in part intended to restore us to Adam's pre-fall position in every way. Therefore, if sin is generally demonic activity then the removal of sin and the restoration of that which was intended to be would be essential to that redemption.

I Corinthians 2:14 does not say that a natural man does not receive the things of God, but that a soulish man does not receive them. James 3:1 brands the wisdom of man as earthly, soulish, and demonic. The New Testament then exposes both the flesh and the soul as areas of weakness, because of demonic inroads. However the spirit can rule over both these areas.

James points out that he who brings back a sinner from the error of his ways shall save a soul from death (**James 5:20**). Without a doubt this refers to Christians. If we (for example) become involved in a fantasy it can lead us into sin, bringing forth death (**James 1:15**). To show someone the truth should lead to purification of the soul (**I Peter 1:22**) and this would be through deliverance. To see the truth about a particular area and make changes can save from the power of sin/death.

If the soul is the medium through which the spirit functions, then it would follow that we are to clothe our spirits with the spirits of God (**Hebrews 1:7**, **14; Isaiah 11:20**). Similarly, **Ephesians 4:31**, Christians are directed to let certain spirits be removed (or "put away") from them. **James 1:21** commands us to put aside all filthiness, etc., as also in **1 Peter 2:1** and **Colossians 3:8**. The expression used here can mean to lay aside as in laying clothes aside, but can also mean to remove or destroy. **In Colossians 3:10** and **Ephesians 4:24** we are told to put on the new man. It seems that good and bad spirits can layer in around our own spirit to help or hinder.

Apparently, if given proper legal grounds, the demons have power to fragment the soul from the moment of conception, (**Psalm 7:2**). In one case a woman we know apparently never had all of her emotional faculties as a result of military curses on her family ancestral line.

There is good reason to suspect that the spirit called Evil Heart of Unbelief (**Hebrews 3:12**) resides in the heart. Since **Psalm 22:26** exhorts "let your heart live forever," it can be safely assumed that the heart is alive. Because the result of sin is death (**James 5:20**), demons would strike to kill or at least stop the functioning of our heart and soul since they cannot actually destroy them.

The heart can be divided: "Unite my heart to fear Thy name." (**Psalm 86:11**) Note that the fear of God is located in the heart. There would be no need to ask God to unify our heart if it were not necessary. "With flattering lips and a double heart they speak." (**Psalm 12:2**) This may be similar to being two-souled.

In **I Chronicles 12:33**: " ... there were 50,000 (of Zebulun) who went out in the army. who could draw up in battle formation with all kinds of weapons of war and helped David with an undivided heart" (literally, not of double heart). This indicates a singleness of purpose, but could have had a spiritual meaning as well. It may be possible to have both fragmented hearts and fragmented souls. In function it would seem that the soul chooses, but the heart acts. The heart is also used for conscience (**Job 27:6**). Sometimes it is under our control (**Job 11:13; II Chronicles 12:14**) or it may "smite" us as it did David (**I Samuel 24:5**); or stir people up (**Exodus 36:2, 35:21**).

The heart can be tied in with an evil conscience. **Hebrews 10:22** may indicate that our hearts must be delivered from a spirit of Evil Conscience.

Romans 8:27 and **I Thessalonians 2:4** could refer to the Spirit searching our hearts to reason in our heart (**Mark 2:6**); make plans in our heart (**Psalm 33:11**); and act from our heart as well as our soul.

We are to do the will of God from our soul (**Ephesians 6:6** literally), therefore a foothold there is vital to the enemy. Our heart also has eyes of understanding (**Ephesians 1:18**) which need enlightenment. When the enemy can blind these eyes, he can block or hinder us from knowing God's will.

I Peter 3:4 says that our hidden person is in the heart. James 1:21 says that after filthiness, etc., is "put aside," we are to receive the Word, which is able to save our souls. It would seem that our spirits are sanctified while our souls are saved. Our spirit is reborn instantly (I Corinthians 5:7) but our soul is in the process of being redeemed and restored. In order that our bodies will "bear the image of the heavenly" (I Corinthians 15:49; cf. 15:35-58). Here again, "natural" is actually "soulish," (15:46 et al). This means our salvation is actually in three parts. When it is finished, we shall see Jesus as He is, for "when He appears, we shall be like Him" (I John 3:2). Functions of the heart: it can "forsake" one (Psalm 40:12, NAS marginal note) on literal translation; can be blinded (Deuteronomy 29:4); is to be discerned (Proverbs 14:10); plans a man's steps (Proverbs 16:9); is where decisions are made (I Corinthians 7:37); comprehends (Isaiah 44:18); can be filled, perhaps with spirits (Proverbs 21:4, Jeremiah 48:29 literal, 49:16, Hosea 13:6, et al).

Lucifer said in his heart (**Isaiah 14:13**) that he would elevate himself above God. The heart can be broken (**Psalm 34:18**); wounded (**Psalm 109:22**); dead (**I Samuel 25:37**). It must be set toward God (**Psalm 78:8**), resulting in a man steadfast, trusting in the Lord (**Psalm 112:7**). The spirit of Babylon is said to have a heart (**Isaiah 47:7, 8** literal). Perhaps in deliverance we should attack evil spirits by piercing, wounding, breaking or fragmenting their hearts, etc. Because demons have hearts, this may well be a vulnerable target area.

Acts 7:23 says literally that "*it entered his Heart* ... " so it would seem that both God and Satan can plant "thoughts" in our hearts (**Ezekiel 38:10**). We can possibly plant thoughts in demons' hearts to create chaos, civil war, surrender, etc. God can open a heart (**Acts 16:14**); just as Satan can steal from the heart (**John 10:10; Matthew 13:19**). Paul declares that he and other disciples had certain Christians in their hearts (**II Corinthians 7:3**; **Philippians 1:7**). This probably indicates an extremely close and powerful soul tie. Hearts can be deceived (James 1:26; Romans 16:18). If hearts, (not just minds or souls), are deceived, people will not only think but act wrongly. This is implied when God promised to circumcise our hearts (Deuteronomy 30:61). Following this, they are purified (James 4:8) to allow us to approach the hill of the Lord with a clean heart (Psalm 24:4). Here we receive answers to every prayer because our hearts do not condemn us (I John 3:21). Only the enemy condemns, not God - i.e., a demon in our heart and his very presence condemns us (Mark 11:25, 26).

There is a heresy abroad today which teaches that God does not know the future because certain abominations "*did not come into My mind*." (Jeremiah 7:31; 19:5; 32:35) The word used here is actually the word for heart, not mind; meaning God never intended nor purposed such a thing to happen in His perfect will.

{30} A sound heart is life to the body.

{33} Wisdom rests quietly in the heart of him who has understanding, but what lies in the heart of fools is made known. (**Proverbs 14:30, 33**)

A fool is one who says in his heart there is no God. (**Psalm 14:1**). Many times the controlling spirit of Evil Heart of Unbelief leads people away from the living God. He is found in the heart of fools, along with such things as Atheism, Pride, Humanism, Pride of Life, etc.

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Scripture is specific that a man's body was formed from the elements (dust) of the earth but that his soul was breathed into him by God (**Genesis 2:7**). Although not stated, we could speculate that man's spirit was also implanted at the same time. By this operation, man became God-like, created in the image of God (**Genesis 1:26**). When God inspected His creation He called it all good.

The soul of man controls his body and is ordinarily dominated and controlled by Satan's demonic forces until the new birth. Even following salvation the soul is still in need of extensive restoration. Salvation just makes it possible, but it does not automatically occur as many infer or teach. Like most of the promises of God, this must be possessed by the believers through faith.

Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. (Romans 10:17)

We are exhorted to put off the former conversation (manner of thinking and living) from the old life which is corrupt because of deceitful lusts (strong desires) and be renewed in the spirit of our minds (**Ephesians 4:22, 23**).

Paul continues in Romans saying that the Spirit which brought about the resurrection of Jesus will also quicken (make alive) our mortal bodies by his indwelling Spirit (**Romans 8:11; I John 4:13**).

Although many Christian teachers would advocate that these changes are instantaneous and occur with little or no effort, this is certainly not always the case. Although without a doubt there are many wonderful things which happen to people in this fashion, many other cases indicate that this is not always the way it works.

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; and behold all things are {becoming} new. (**II Corinthians 5:17**)

Everyone is looking for some magical instant and easy way to spirituality. Some are even satisfied with a superficial change and the assumption of legalism and Pharisaism to conceal the fact that there is a need for further changing.

The outcry that the blood is devalued and the sufficiency of the resurrection is brought into question is totally invalid. The power of Jesus' name is the only key to unwinding the centuries' old nightmare of bondage to the enemy. Victories over enemy bondage will make people more Jesusconscious than all the religious exercises conjured up by those who promote great programs of "spirituality" which are basically soulish.

Man was given the ability to choose to obey and follow God or to refuse. Never has God had any interest in the creation of mindless, robot creatures possessing no will or volition of their own. Adam and Eve's sin in not choosing to follow God's dictates resulted in a severance of fellowship between God and them. Dominion over the earth was wrested by deceit from man by Satan. Now man had to be rescued from the one stronger than he, by the Lord (**Jeremiah 31:11**). Without the new birth there is no hope to ever overthrow the wicked usurper within (**Ephesians 2:1-5**).

Strongs Concordance (#5314) defines the soul as a breathing creature having vitality. Basically, for the purpose of cataloging the soul, it consists of the mind, will, emotions and associated terms. In one sense, it seems that the body is a sort of carrying case for the soul and spirit of man (**I Thessalonians 5:23**). Certainly the body is controlled by the soul (mind, will and emotions).

Because the natural man has no capacity to receive the things of God (which are spiritually perceived), he is said to be dead in trespasses and sin (**I Corinthians 2:14; Ephesians 2:11**). Since obviously his mind, will, emotions and body are not dead, therefore his spirit is the thing declared to be without life.

In the Revelation the soul is pictured as a very visible and recognizable part of the individual (**Revelation 20:4; 18:13**). Evidently the soul has the same appearance, memory, personality, feelings, etc. as is manifested in and through the body.

Unsaved persons are totally dependent upon the physical senses because their spiritual apparatus is out of commission. For example, they will move in a wisdom which is defined as being earthly, sensual and devilish (demonic) (**James 3:15**). Anytime people reach out for help (but not to the Lord Jesus Christ) there will always be an answer. However, it always comes through demonic channels and is polluted and full of bondage.

The spirit is "quickened" (made alive) by the new birth (**Ephesians 2:1, 6**). Our position in Christ is thus secured in the heavenlies (**Hebrews 4:16**). Through our renewed spirit (**Ephesians 4:23**), we are enabled to experience the cleansing and renewal of both soul and body. It would seem that the Word of God is the only instrument keen enough to separate soul and spirit (**Hebrews 4:12**).

"*He restoreth my soul…*" (**Psalm 23:3**) indicates a need for this operation. Restoreth (in the Hebrew) means to turn back; bring back; back home again; call; carry back again; convert; deliver again; pull in again; recover; return (Strongs #7725). Jesus had all things put in subjection under His feet (**Hebrews 2:8**) and this power is the legacy of believers (**Luke 10:19**). This includes authority to restore damage done to the soul by the enemy.

The new birth is effected when the Holy Spirit enters the spirit of man who receives Jesus Christ as Savior. He is the seal on the spirit, the earnest or guarantee of our inheritance, until the day of redemption (**Ephesians 1:13**; **4:30; II Corinthians 1:22**). By this operation He baptizes us into the Body of Christ (**I Corinthians 12:13**). The cleansed spirit is then the abode of the "new man" who does not sin (**I John 5:18**).

The soul (mind, will, emotions) and the body are nesting places for the demonic spirits. These must be systematically purged and driven forth following salvation. This can only be accomplished by successive deliverance sessions. One or two sessions will not do.

As release from the evil spirits is accomplished in certain areas of the life, spiritual growth and occupation of the land will occur (**Exodus 23:17-30**; **Deuteronomy 7:20-24**). This has led many to assume that they are all clean of all indwelling evil spirits. However following deliverance, still other layers of hidden spirits will be uncovered to be expelled in due time as the believer grows stronger and more confident.

There are those who mistakenly and prematurely proclaim that they themselves or others have been "completely delivered." All this reveals is their lack of any realistic conception of the extreme power and complexity of the demonic network of infestation. To underestimate the enemy in this fashion is a drastic tactical error in spiritual warfare. These super wise and confident ones also have failed to learn God's wise purpose and plan in having deliverance to be gradual and progressive (**Deuteronomy 7:20-24**; **Exodus 23:27-30**).

It has often been observed that some people seem to regularly have many grand new "revelations" which can be backed neither by Scriptures nor sound Biblical principles. Many times they have a heavy background in occult involvement prior to, and even sometimes following, conversion. The occult spirits show themselves to be genuine gifts of the Spirit to mislead and sow error. We must be very wary lest occult religious spirits do not work vigorously to prove and convince that a person is "completely delivered" and has no further need for deliverance (See Religious Spirits in "**War on the** **Saints**" by Jesse Penn-Lewis). Deceiving spirits of religion are very adept at this.

One coming from a heavy psychic and occult background must be particularly cautious. Hidden spirits inside the will try to dupe their host. Religious spirits maneuver to substitute for the genuine revelation gifts of prophecy the word of wisdom, interpretation, the word of Knowledge, or discernment.

Satan seeks to have deliverance either debunked or ignored completely. However, some persistently insist on obedience to the plain Biblical command to do deliverance (**Mark 16:17, 18**). Satan's next ploy is to dazzle us with "short cuts" and easy ways out of the demonic tangle in which human beings have become ensnared.

The soul can be fragmented

Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending it in pieces, while there is no one to deliver. (**Psalm 7:2**)

This scripture not only indicates that fragmentation is definitely possible, it indicates why it can occur - while there is no one to deliver.

Those moving in deliverance are the ones with sufficient knowledge and understanding of the power and authority of the precious blood and the name of Jesus to effectively combat soul fragmentation by the enemy. There is to be sure, built-in protection by God. Unfortunately, this can be sacrificed by inheritance, curiosity, or stubborn willfulness and presumption (**Psalm 19:13; II Peter 2:10**).

Until I became involved with deliverance, I never understood, as I now do, the extreme importance of providing unborn descendants with a godly heritage (**Ecclesiastes 7:1; Proverbs 22:1**). When battling with demons, many formerly vague or hidden truths have slowly emerged and are being clarified.

For example, I think most believers at one time or another puzzle over the very strict and binding laws God put on Israel forbidding intermarriages with other nations. In deliverance we have learned that each national or ethnic group has its own special brand of witchcraft and the occult. Because this constitutes reaching out to other gods, it produces a third and fourth generation curse to all who become involved in such practices (**Exodus 20:5**).

When people marry they bring the occult inheritance with them. If a man and woman (who each have three national strains in them) marry, their children inherit six different types of witchcraft. This explains those harsh directions given the Israelites when they reoccupied the land of Canaan.

They were to completely blot out entire villages; extermination of the men, women, children and even livestock. The taint of witchcraft was so pervasive and dangerous that severe methods were employed to insulate Israel from all contact with such vile practices. All of these carried the death sentence.

Of course there is nothing we can do today to reorder the "melting pot" racial situation in which we live. However by using our spiritual authority we can destroy the legal grounds and legal rights which might be possessed by evil spirits to harass us and our families (See Renunciations in **Demolishing the Hosts of Hell**, pgs 46, 47).

When we first learned that witches could remove souls with curses (**Annihilating the Hosts of Hell** Book 2, p. 67), it was a bit difficult to understand. We knew this enabled them to exercise degrees of control over the person attacked, from slight to great. The big problem was to know how a person could function with mind, will and emotions removed.

However, here we are dealing with partial, rather than a total takeover of the individual. A demonic entity replaces the part of the mind, will or emotion which is spirited away by the operation of the enemy. Like a false tooth which apes the part of the tooth it replaces, making its detection difficult, so the demonic entity replaces the fragment taken away.

Each time a question arises in the mind, will or emotions, that wicked entity will faithfully parrot the demonic lie concerning that particular area. So subtly is this done that people are seldom aware of the alien presence. Again this sly attack illustrates the brilliance of the Satanic strategy. The masquerader inserts demonic thoughts, attitudes and actions whenever possible. When undetected, these invaders can and do wreck much havoc, stealing, killing and destroying at every opportunity.

There is every good reason why Satan devotes so much time and effort to this fragmentation of the soul. Because of a lack of knowledge and understanding (**Hosea 4:6**), there is virtually no defense against such an attack, other than guardian angels (**Matthew 18:10**). Men are commanded to love the Lord with all their souls (**Deuteronomy 6:5; Luke 10:27**). Mary proclaimed that it was with her soul with which she magnified the Lord (**Luke 1:46**).

Obviously then when a part of the soul has been taken out, that person's capacity to love and magnify the Lord is thereby reduced that much. This means that the Creator is robbed of His just due from the created being. For example if one has lost one third of his soul in this fashion, then he is only capable of loving the Lord with two-thirds of his potential ability.

Man is so designed by creation as to have a built-in hunger and thirst for the Lord through the soul. Satan gains an advantage by hindering and blocking the slaking of this thirst (**Psalm 42:12**). Wrong sexual outlets have the power to fragment the soul. We are warned:

Whosoever commits adultery lacks understanding; he that doeth it destroys his own soul. A wound and dishonor shall he get and his reproach shall not be wiped away. (**Proverbs 6:32, 33**)

Paul warns believers to flee fornication (illicit sex) for in becoming involved one sins against his own body (**I Corinthians 6:18**). He also receives "darts" in his liver (**Proverbs 7:23**).

Witchcraft has the power to fragment the soul (**Ezekiel 13:20**). Far from being immune to such attack, the righteous (saved) are the particular target of such evil. Pillows (amulets) and kerchiefs (employed in demon worship and spells) are used "to hunt the souls of the righteous" and to make them "fly" (through the air like a bird). Both black and white witchcraft can be utilized to accomplish this goal. One who is snared by charismatic or other religious systems where an extreme unquestioning obedience and subjection to leaders is demanded, also accomplishes this surgery on the soul using Jezebellic witchcraft.

The soul can be subverted by words (**Acts 15:24**). Note that even in the early church the Judaizers and Pharisees moved in behind the sound grace teachings of Paul and added their "salvation by works" doctrines, externalism and legalism. They were being buffeted by every wind of false doctrine. That tribe has not died off but has increased. The danger from subversion of the soul by words is an ever present danger and believers

should monitor very carefully the things they read, watch or to which they listen.

Unstable souls (those which have not been grounded in the Word) are capable of being beguiled (having a spell cast over them) by those espousing these lying doctrines and teachings. The pleasures of this life can deceive, snare, mislead and entrap the soul (**I Peter 2:14**).

The soul can be purified by obedience to the truth (Thy Word is truth, **John 17:17**) through the Holy Spirit. This will produce unfeigned love for other Christians and make possible fervent love for one another out of a pure heart (**I Peter 1:22**).

According to **Matthew 16:26**, the soul can be traded for material things or advantage.

What is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world an lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

This indicates that worldly success or advantage might well be given to those willing to barter parts of their minds, wills or emotions in dealings with Satanic emissaries. This may also explain much of the worldly success riches and achievement enjoyed by seemingly amoral and wicked persons and those who have patently dishonest or false ministries, supposedly Christian.

Actions of our blood relatives often give the enemy legal grounds and legal holds from which to attack the soul (**Deuteronomy 6:9, 10**).

The grave images of their gods shall ye burn with fire, thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein for it is an abomination to the Lord thy God. Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it, for it is a cursed thing. (**Deuteronomy 7:25, 26**)

His iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins. (**Proverbs 5:22**)

Sin forms cord to bind. These are the bonds to break (**Isaiah 58:6**).

It has been ascertained that many other things also have the deadly power to fragment the Soul. Drugs, rock music, wrong sex, false religious systems, alcohol, etc., can all do this. We have learned that idolatry of any kind has the power to erode and fragment the soul. No wonder idolatry is so consistently warned against in scripture.

Any believer has the authority to restore the soul. Simply pray something like this:

In the name of Jesus Christ I claim the restoration of the soul of {insert name}. I break any curses and in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask that you send as many angels as necessary to recover the parts of the mind, will and emotions which have been fragmented by wrong sex, rock music, alcohol, drugs or any form of idolatry or religious error and bring them back and place them where they belong in this person. I also pray in Jesus' name that all demonic entities which were formerly substituted for the fragments of the soul be cast out now in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We have noted two basic responses to this prayer. In some cases the person receiving the restoration will have physical sensations and report a feeling of completeness or fulfillment never before experienced. In others the change which occurs is very subtle and so quiet that nothing seems to occur. However, within two or three days definite differences are noted indicating that the change has indeed taken place.

In one instance, a woman's father was in charge of much of the Illuminati work on the East Coast. When she was born he dedicated her to witchcraft and requested all the covens in the United States to pray for her. As a demonstration of God's sovereign grace, she miraculously escaped the snare of witchcraft curses, was saved and became a Bible teacher at a well-known southern Bible school.

At first she firmly believed that demonic spirits could be in Christians; but after two years she no longer believed that it was possible. She was subjected to terrible and continual pressures by the evil spirits and only by standing on the Word continually was she able to survive at all.

She came to me at a camp meeting requesting prayer for deliverance. Before I threw them out her demons loudly complained that they had worked very hard to keep her from ever meeting me. They testified that she had managed to stand against them using only the Word, in spite of all the evil psychic and witchcraft prayers thrown against her. This is so very encouraging and speaks of the keeping power of the Lord Jesus in all circumstances in spite of all that the enemy can do. When I announced that it was time to restore her soul, the demons wailed in fear and frustration. They said they knew that I would try this but that it certainly would do no good. It seemed that her soul had been scattered in fragments, sealed in jars, in thousands of witches' covens all over the country. All the pieces never could be brought together again, the demons declared confidently.

However, when I sent out legions of angels to break the curses and reclaim the stolen fragments, the pieces came in like a flood. Demons left her in droves, shrieking in despair and defeat as it happened. Some weeks later she contacted me and said she was thoroughly enjoying her restored soul.

After one experiences this restoration of the fragmented soul, there are definite things to do in order to hold the ground gained. We are exhorted to commit the keeping of our souls to the Lord (**I Peter 2:25; 4:19**). We are to be careful to observe the commandments of the Lord (**Deuteronomy 6:9**); refuse to gave place to the devil (**Ephesians 4:27**); and cultivate a spiritual mind and attitude (**Romans 8:6**).

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Selected Scriptures on the Soul

The very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. (**I Thessalonians 5:23**)

Sex can cause the soul to cleave to another and to be filled with longing (**Genesis 34:3, 8**).

The soul can be in anguish (Genesis 42:21) and travail (Isaiah 53:11).

The soul can sin through ignorance become unclean and guilty (**Leviticus 4:2**); polluted (**Ezekiel 4:14**).

The soul can swear to do evil or good (**Leviticus 4:40**). The soul can be cut off (**Leviticus 19:8**).

Men are to love and serve the Lord with all their soul (**Deuteronomy** 10:12; 26:16; 30:2, 6, 10; Joshua 22:5; I King 2:4; 8:48; II Kings 23:3, 25; Chronicles 22:19; II Chronicles 6:38; 15:12; 34:31).

The soul can lust and long for something (**Deuteronomy 12:15, 20, 21**).

The soul can be miserable and vexed (Judges 10:16; 16:16). The soul can be bitter (I Samuel 1:10; Job 3:20; 7:11; 10:1). The soul can be redeemed (I King 1:29; Psalm 49:15).

The soul can be persecuted (**Psalm 7:5**).

The soul can be delivered from the wicked and the sword (**Psalm 17:13; 22:20; 55:18**).

The soul can be converted (**Psalm 19:70**) and restored (**Psalm 23:3**).

The soul can be snared (**Psalm 35:4, 7**).

The soul can be spoiled (**Psalm 35:120**).

The soul can be humbled and chastened with fasting (**Psalm 35:13;** 69:10).

The soul is sought in order to destroy it (**Psalm 40:14; 63:9; 71:10, 13**).

The soul can be healed (**Psalm 41:4**).

The enemy lies in wait for the soul (Psalm 56:6; 59:3; 86:14; 71:10, 13).

The soul can escape as a bird from the enemy (**Psalm 124:7**).

The soul can be imprisoned (**Psalm 142:7**) and afflicted (**Psalm 143:12**).

The soul can be joyful (**Psalm 61:10**).

The soul can be bound by vow: (Numbers 30:9).

The soul can be hunted and made to fly through the air by witchcraft (**Ezekiel 13:18; 19:20**).

The soul can be delivered by righteousness (**Ezekiel 14:14, 20**).

The soul can be possessed by patience (Luke 21:19).

The soul can be imparted to others for good or evil (**I Thessalonians 2:8**).

Spiritual leaders must watch over souls and give account of them (**Hebrews 13:17**).

The engrafted word is able to save your soul (James 1:21).

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Notes on Soul ties

A soul tie in the Bible can be described not only by the word knit, but bound up, and clave or cleave. Cleave has a double meaning: to separate or to bring close together.

> Cleave (1692) a primitive root to impinge i.e. cling or adhere figuratively to catch by pursuit; abide fast, cleave (fast together), follow close (hard after), be joined (together) keep (fast); overtake, pursue hard, stick, take (**Strong's Concordance**)

> To cleave, to adhere, especially firmly, as if with glue; to be glued; hence to be attached to anyone, to be lovingly devoted. God desires that we be soul-tied to Him: *Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God; Him shalt thou serve, and to Him shalt thou cleave, and swear by His Name.* (Deuteronomy 10:20, 11:22; cf. I Samuel 25:29) – Gesenius Lexicon.

Soul Ties between Friends (I Samuel 18:1)

David and Jonathan's souls knit together. Knit (7194) – to tie physically (gird, confine, compact) or mentally (in love, league); to bind up, (make); conspire, conspiracy, conspirator, to join together, knit, stronger work, treason (Strong's Concordance 7194).

Soul between Father and Son (Genesis 44:30)

Seeing that his (the father, Jacob) soul is bound up with his (the son Benjamin) soul. His life is bound up in the lad's life. Life is the same word used for soul in 5315; this embraces them with the closet love (cf. **I Samuel 18:1; Proverbs 22:15**) (Gesenius Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon).

Soul Tie to a Pastor or Leader

So every man of Israel went up from after David, and followed Sheba . . . but the men of Judah clave unto their king, from Jordon, even to Jerusalem. (II Samuel 20:2)

Soul Ties to the World

These are forbidden for they turn us back to old things and will hinder deliverance.

Else if ye do in any wise to back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and they to you: know for a certainty that the Lord your God will no more drive out any of these nations from before thee; but they shall be snares and traps unto you; and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from this good land which the Lord your God hath given you. (**Joshua 23:12, 13**)

Soul Ties Formed by Fornication & Immorality

And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he took her and lay with her and defiled her. And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel... And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife. (**Genesis 34:2, 3, 8**) Solomon had a similar problem in **I Kings 11:2**.

Soul Ties in Marriage Relationships

Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother and shall cleave unto his wife and they shall be one flesh. (Genesis 2:24)

See **Numbers 30** and note the word "bound." You can bind your soul with a promise and it is up to you to keep it or it may forever haunt you. Bound - to yoke or hitch; by analogy, to fasten in any sense, to join battle; bind fast, gird, harness, hold, keep, make ready, order, prepare, prison(er), put in bonds, set in array, tie (Strong's Concordance). Gesenius Lexicon (pg. 68) to bind, a bond or prohibition upon oneself; i.e., to bind oneself with a vow of abstinence, promising to abstain from certain things otherwise permitted (**Numbers 30:3**). Perhaps if we make a promise or a vow, and find we cannot fulfill it, it may be wise to break the soul tie to that promise, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Bound (688) - to cramp, literally or figuratively, as adversary (be in) affliction; besiege; bind (up); (be in, bring) distress; enemy; narrower; oppress; shut up; be in a strait (trouble); vex (**1 Samuel 25:29**).

Soul Ties with Fellow Christians

That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgment of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; ... 19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God. (**Colossians 2:2,19**)

Knit (4822) to force, causative (by reduplication) of the base of939; to drive together; i.e., unite in association or affection; (mentally) to infer; show; compact; assuredly gather; instruct; knit together; prove. Thayers Greek Lexicon (p. 595) to cause to coalesce, to join together; of the parts of the body; knit together into one whole, compacted together (**Ephesians 4:16**); to unite or knit together in affection (**Colossians 2:2, 19**).

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John 9:4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

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