

**THE UNIQUENESS OF HUMAN SOUL**

We have been studying the Sixth Day of creation (Gen.1:24-31). We have been studying the doctrine of the human soul made **“in the image according to the likeness of God** (tselem demuth).”

We have learned that God made the human race uniquely different from all other categories of creation with living souls (chayah nephesh). Chayah nephesh is translated “living creatures” in Gen.1:20 and 24 in reference to animals of Fifth and Sixth days of creation. This is the same phrase used with man in Gen.2:7 but translated “living being.” This is used this same way by Paul in 1 Cor.15:45 – “The first man, Adam, became a living soul.”

What makes the living soul of man different than animals? The answer is given in Gen.1:26-27 by two special Hebrew words (tselem demuth).

**This lesson will study NINE ways God made the human soul unique.**

**1. One way the human soul is unique is that God didn’t place it under the genetic code of Hebrew word (min) [after their kind]; 1:11,12 (Day 3); 21,21 (Day 5); 24,24,25,25,25 (Day 6).**

The human soul was created by a different method (Neshamah) and not the procreation method of (min) – “Then the **Lord God** formed man of dust from the ground, and **breathed into his nostrils the breath of life** (lives) (neshamah chayah); and man became a living soul (chayah nephesh).” (Gen.2:7)

Living souls comes from the Living God.

**2. Second way the human soul is unique is that God created it (tselem demuth) (Gen.1:26-27).**

God made (asah) the human soul after the divine pattern. The divine pattern is one in essence but different persons.

<b>Godhead</b>			<b>Mankind</b>	
Omniscience	Sovereignty		Self Consciousness	
Omnipotence	+Righteousness		Conscience	
Omnipresence	Love		Mentality	
Immutable	Eternal Life		Emotion	
Veracity	Holy		Volition	
<b>Father</b>	<b>Son</b>	<b>Holy Spirit</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>

**3. Third way the human soul is unique is that God created it with three distinct (bara) works (Gen.1:27).**

- One essence of human soul: S/C, C, M, E, and V.
- Position of husband in the divine chain of authority (1 Cor.11:3).
- Different persons: male (zakar) and female (neqebah).

**4. Fourth way the human soul is unique is the way it reflects God consciousness (Ps.14:1; 19:1; Acts 14:15-17; 17:26-28).**

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.” (Rom.1:20)

**5. Fifth way human soul is unique is that God made it with authority to rule and subdue the other categories of chayah nephesh creation (Gen.1:26-28; Ps.8:6).**

“For every species (min) [after their kind] of beasts and birds, of reptiles and creatures of the sea, is tamed, and has been tamed by the human race.” (James 3:7)

**6. Sixth way the human soul is unique is that God created it for spiritual monogamous relationship with the Godhead.**

- Father – John 14:6; Rom.8:15-17.
- Son – Gal.3:26-28; Eph.1:3-7.
- Holy Spirit – 1 Cor.12:4-6, 13; 1 Cor.6:19-20.

Adam was not aware that he could be separated from God in the tselem demuth part of his soul until after the fall (Gen.2:17; 3:6-11).

**7. Seventh way the human soul is unique is that God created it for marital monogamous relationship (Gen.2:18-25; Eph.5:22-33; 1 Cor.11:7-9).**

Adam as not aware of being separated from neqebah (female wife) in the zakar part of his soul until God explained it to him (Gen.2:18-25).

**8. Eighth way the human soul is unique is that tselem demuth gives special worth to man from other categories of chayah nephesh creation (Gen.9:6) [homicide].**

“Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?” (Matt.6:26; 10:29-31)

**9. Ninth way the human soul is unique is that God saw its worth and sent His only son to die to redeem it from AOS.**

Adam’s awareness (self-consciousness) of his separation from spiritual monogamous relationship with God occurred after the fall (Gen.3:6-11).

Today all human souls enter the world separated from spiritual monogamous relationship with God as a result of AOS (1 Cor.15:22; Rom.5:12-21). **BUT THEY DON’T HAVE TO LEAVE IT THIS WAY!**

“Obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.” (1 Pet.1:9)

“For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.” (1 Pet.2:25)

“We are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.” (2 Cor.5:8)

