BIOLOGY 101

"Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed (naphach / kal impf) [divine pattern] into his nostrils the breath of life (neshamah chayyim) [lives], and man became (hayah / kal impf) a <u>living being</u> (chayah nephesh) [soul]." (Gen.2: 7)

When man receives the breath of life, he becomes a living being or soul (**chayah nephesh**). The Hebrew saw a living person as unison while the Greeks saw a living person as trichotomous (next week lesson).

The Hebrew word (**neshamah**) refers to a self-existing life that comes from God - "The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life." (Job 33:4)

This lesson will study SEVEN aspects of the BIOLOGY 101 (the study of human life)

1. The divine pattern of neshamah chayyim (breath of life) was established for mankind in the Book of Genesis (Gen.2: 7).

Four divine truths of biology 101 are established in Genesis 2:7.

- **§** The breath of life comes from God and not from mankind.
- **§** The breath of life is the self-existing life of mankind.
- **§** The breath of life comes through the nostrils and not genitals.
- **§** The breath of life was the same before the fall as after the fall of Adam.

God's pattern of giving the breath of life to create a living being is revealed by:

- **§** Adam's body coming from the dust,
- **§** Eve's body coming from the rib of Adam and
- **§** Cain and Abel's body coming from the womb.

Yet in each of these cases, the body was formed differently but the breath of life was the same for mankind becoming a living being.

Doctrinal principle: The breath of life comes from God through the nostrils in order for mankind to become a living being - "Whose breath of life is in his nostrils." (Isa.2: 22) [We put a mirror under the nose as one method of seeing if the person is breathing and alive.]

2. The divine established pattern, of the breath of life (neshamh chayyim) was not effected by Adamic sin or God's curse upon it (Gen.2: 17; 3:16).

Adamic curse upon the woman was two-fold: "I will greatly multiply your <u>pain in childbirth</u>, in pain you shall bring forth children; yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you (Gen.3: 16).

Adam's fall brought the order of procreation through the womb (1 Cor.11: 8-12). The fall of Adam brought the formation of the human body through the womb of the woman -"Did not He who made me in the womb make him, and the same one fashion us in the womb?" (Job 31:15) (Eccl.11:5; Isa.44:2, 24)

Since the fall of Adam, the human body system comes with procreation (Gen.4: 1 / yada) but the breath of life comes with birth – "In whose hand is the life of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind." (Job 12:10)

3. Human body as well as Adamic sin and death is carried through the yada procreation system (Gen.4: 1; Rom.5: 12).

- **§** Procreation comes from the curse through Eve (Gen.3: 16, 20; 4:1; 1 Cor.11: 12).
- **§** Adamic sin and death comes from the curse through Adam (Gen.2: 17; Rom.5: 12).

Yada procreation system establishes the human body system of life but neshamah chayyim establishes the self-existing soul life.

4. There are five genetic factors passed on to the human race through the yada system of procreation.

- **§** Soul, made in the image according to likeness of God (Gen.1: 26; 1 Cor.11: 7; James 3:9).
- **§** Soul and body, made male or female (Gen.1: 27; Matt.19: 4).
- **§** Body, made with an inherent old sin-nature (Gen.2: 17; Rom.13: 13-14; Gal.5: 16-17).
- § Human life, born with 13 charges of AOS (Adam's original sin) (Gen.3: 6; Rom.5: 12; 1 Cor.15: 22).
- § Human life, born with appointed days to physical death as result of AOS (Heb.9: 27; Job 34:14-15).

5. The breath of life doesn't come from the yada procreation system.

Breath of life comes from God and not from man - "The Spirit of God has made me and the breath of the <u>Almighty gives me life</u>." (Job 33:4)

"For as long as life is in me and the breath of God is in my nostrils." (Job 27:3) (1 Kings 17:17, 21-22)

"In whose hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of all mankind." (Job 12:10) (Acts 17:25; Psa.150: 6) [See if you can find the yada formula in Job 34:14-15?]

6. The breath of life becomes the issue at physical death as well as birth (Job 3:3; Eccl.4:3; 6:3; Gen.6:17; 7:21-22; Deut.20:16)

Have you ever heard people refer to human life as between the <u>womb and the tomb</u>? "Why did I not perish at birth, and die as I came from the womb?" (Job 3:11; 10:18-19)

"Or like a miscarriage which is discarded, I would not be, as infants that never saw light." (Job 3:16)

Read very carefully Eccl. 6:3-6 – "Do not all go to the same place?" What place? (Eccl.3: 19-21; 5:15-16; 12:6-7; Psa.104: 29) ______.

7. It wasn't the unique conception-birth of Jesus Christ that established a new order of creation but His death as our substitute for Adamic sin-death, His burial and resurrection from the dead.

"For since by man come death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive." (1 Cor.15:21-22)

In Christ (positional truth), every church age believer is classified as a higher form of creation - "Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come." (2 Cor.5: 17; 1 Cor.6: 3; Heb.1: 4)

This is result of being **born again** by the gospel of Jesus Christ – "For you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and abiding word of God." (1 Pet.1: 23; John 1:12; 3:5-7; Titus 3:5)

This doctrinal lesson of biology 101 is the reason that historically the Protestant Church has not evangelized the dead or the unborn.