

PRAYER STUDY 19
"Communion with God-Part 2"
HABBUKKAH 2:1-2

"I will stand at my GUARD POST, and I will keep WATCH and SEE what He will SPEAK to me. Then the Lord said, RECORD THE VISION."

1. BE STILL.
2. HAVE VISION.
3. LISTEN TO SPONTANEOUS INNER THOUGHTS.
4. JOURNAL.

HUMANS ARE TRIUNE PEOPLE

Spirit: that eternal part of us that will continue on beyond the termination of the body's life(Ecclesiastes 12:7). The spirit stands for the highest elements of man by which we comprehend spiritual truths. Our spirit is the most powerful part of our being. It is the part that deals with right and wrong behavior.

Soul: that part of us that comprises the emotional life, the desires, the will, the appetites, and the lusts of the individual through the thinking and reasoning aspect of the mind. The soul can be broken down into three parts: our mind(how we think); our emotions(how we feel); and our will (how we choose). It is the soul that most keenly makes us aware of our earthly surroundings and relationships.

Body: Genesis 2:7 tells us that God formed the body of man from the dust of the ground. The body is physical material, and in and of itself, is not sinful. The body is not perfect, for we become sick, weak, and tired. The body is subject to death and destined to die(Hebrews 9:27). The body houses our spirit and soul during our earthly life.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-Your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

"First spirit. Then soul. Then body. Man is, therefore, primarily and essentially a spiritual being. He was never intended to use his mind apart from his spirit. This is a great problem in the world today, for our modern educational systems are designed on the level of the mind. The mind of man teaches the mind of man, but the spirit of man is completely ignored. In fact, unregenerate men simply do not grasp the spiritual

needs of man at all.(1 Corinthians 2:14). A church which ministers to the needs of the human spirit will draw in spiritual people. But most religion simply manifests excess of fleshly feeling. The body, with its five senses of touch, taste, smell, hearing and seeing, likes to be petted and allowed to produce a substitute for true spiritual worship of God in the Spirit. We cannot worship God with our minds or intellects, for this is soulish religion. (John 4:23)We cannot find God or understand anything about God with our minds or our bodies. Almighty God is a Spirit, and the spiritual part of our triune nature can communicate with Him when we are tuned in through the working of the Holy Spirit. When we commune with God, we do so with our spirits; then only do we begin to understand the mind of God. Any so-called gift which comes only from the human mind is a counterfeit gift. Once a man is born again and learns the secret of using his spirit instead of his mind, he has opened the door into the spiritual realm. It is now possible for him to have communication with other spiritual beings. And this is spiritual dynamite.”

Maxwell Whyte in *Casting out Demons*

Why Do We Miss God's Message to Us?

1. We are not in right standing with God and thus are open to being seduced by an angel of light(1 Timothy 4:1, 2nd Corinthians 11:13-15).
2. We have not tried the spirits or wrestled in prayer over words we have been given(1 John 4:1).
3. We don't check out "words" given with the Word of God.
4. We have unforgiveness or ought against our brother.
5. We are not under authority or have not submitted our "words" to spiritual authority.
6. We are not in proper alignment.

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