## **Sunday, July 16, 2023**

# **Life With the Spirit**

# Genesis 1: 26 & 27 (NLT)

Then God said, "Let **us** make human beings in our image, to be like **us**. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground." So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

# 1. Western Christianity

#### 2. Eastern Orthodox

#### Genesis 3:22 (NLT)

Then the LORD God said, "Look, the human beings have become like **us**, knowing both good and evil. What if they reach out, take fruit from the tree of life, and eat it? Then they will live forever!"

# Genesis 11: 7 (NLT)

Come, **let's** go down and confuse the people with different languages. Then they won't be able to understand each other."

# Isaiah 6: 8 (NLT)

Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?"

# Deuteronomy 6: 4 & 5 (NASB)

Exodus 20: 3 The Shema

"Hear, Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! <sup>5</sup> And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

#### Matthew 28: 20 (NLT)

...go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

#### 2 Corinthians 13: 14 (NLT)

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### John 14: 15 – 17 (NLT)

"If you love me, obey my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. <sup>17</sup> He is the Holy Spirit,

who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.

#### Creation

Psalm 102: 35 (NLT) Father

Long ago you laid the foundation of the earth and made the heavens with your hands.

Colossians 1: 15 & 16 (NLT) Son

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation <sup>16</sup> for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see —such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.

Genesis 1: 2 (NLT) Holy Spirit

The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.

#### The Incarnation

Hebrews 10: 5 (NLT)
Father

That is why, when Christ came into the world, he said to God, "You did not want animal sacrifices or sin offerings. But you have given me a body to offer.

Philippians 2: 6 & 7 (NLT)

Son

Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. <sup>7</sup> Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being...

Luke 1: 35 (NLT)
Holy Spirit

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God.

The Death of Christ

John 3: 16 (ESV)

#### **Father**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

# John 10: 18 (NLT) Son

No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what my Father has commanded.

# Hebrews 9: 14 (NLT) Holy Spirit

Just think how much more the blood of Christ will purify our consciences from sinful deeds so that we can worship the living God. For by the power of the eternal Spirit, Christ offered himself to God as a perfect sacrifice for our sins.

#### **The Atonement**

# Isiah 53: 6 (NLT) Father

All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the LORD laid on him the sins of us all.

# Ephesians 5: 2 (NLT) Son

Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.

# Hebrews 9: 14 (NLT) Holy Spirit

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#### The Resurrection of Christ

# Acts 2: 24 (NLT) Father

... God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life, for death could not keep him in its grip.

## John 10: 17 & 18 (NLT) Son

"The Father loves me because I sacrifice my life so I may take it back again.

18 No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the

authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what my Father has commanded."

# 1 Peter 3: 18 (NLT) The Holy Spirit

Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit.

#### The Resurrection of Believers

# John 5: 21 (NLT) Father & Son

...just as the Father gives life to those he raises from the dead, so the Son gives life to anyone he wants.

# Romans 8: 11 (NLT) The Holy Spirit

The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

### The Inspiration of Scripture

# 2 Timothy 3: 16 (NLT) Father

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

## 1 Peter 1: 10 & 11 (NLT) Son

This salvation was something even the prophets wanted to know more about when they prophesied about this gracious salvation prepared for you. <sup>11</sup> They wondered what time or situation the Spirit of Christ within them was talking about when he told them in advance about Christ's suffering and his great glory afterward.

# 2 Peter 1: 21 (NLT) Holy Spirit

... no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.