

## Soul Science

The angel supervisor considered his position – he was supposed to know and understand all things Spiritual, but in truth there was only the One that has that power. So he was puzzled about many things, especially with those associated with what he referred to as “soul physics.” The complexity of this subject he found to be greater than that of all of the physical universes combined.

He began writing notes for a textbook that would aid his angel students, but as he began to realize how little he really understood, he just began listing the evolving depth of questions that kept running through his thoughts. He was embarrassed that he did not know the answer to many of the questions that his trainees asked him during the course of their study. But he knew that his goal should not be to enable them to understand everything, but to encourage their contemplation of it all.

He decided that this should be his real work: not to try to bring each student to a certain level of understanding, but to lead them to take as many steps forward as he could<sup>1</sup>. He had many lively discussions throughout his lessons, for his students were very curious<sup>2</sup>. He saw a great deal of what he called “angel awe.” And he delighted in some of the answers that he received when he gave the angels their tests. He enjoyed watching them think the questions through and write out their responses. He included some of the more interesting answers from various students in his notes.

It should be noted in this report that the term “humans” is defined as those physical beings on the planet called “earth.”

- Questions:
- 1) Origin: Where does the soul come from?
  - 2) Interface: How does the soul interface to the body?
  - 3) Repair: Can the interface be repaired or healed?
  - 4) Model: Can this Creation be modeled?
  - 5) Networking: How do the souls connect with each other?
  - 6) Uniqueness: How unique are these souls?

The first question deals with the basic substance or medium of the soul.

### 1) Where does the soul come from?

*Why shouldn't God be able to create a soul? There is no “conservation” principle for an infinite source, and there is thus no limit to the number that could be produced. This does not diminish God; and once made, a soul is immortal [only eternal life or eternal death]. There was no need to think that a person's soul existed prior to his body<sup>3</sup>. When God as the Great “I am” breathed life into man, He imparted a portion of His spirit and made of him a soul<sup>4</sup>. This soul “material” became quantized, in sense. It is very interesting that the Great Creator, who is unchanging in His Goodness, nonetheless creates beings that are capable of choice and change<sup>5</sup>.*

The next question probes how the spiritual soul and physical body are connected.

### 2) The Soul / Body Interface

*The interface between the soul and the body is a complex combination of eternal and mortal. In studying the human entity, it is clear that the connections between these two worlds are not always clear. The error rate for most of these is extremely high. The human end, though once perfect, became degraded. Poor performance is the result of a bad soul / body interface.*

*The subject of the interface is of great interest, and angel technicians should be trained to understand it. These soul mechanics could help the humans to improve their connection with the True Spirit. But, as we know, there was only one perfect interface (Christ).*

*Physical death is a disruption of the interface, a separation of the body and soul. The soul is firmly entrenched in the fabric of the spiritual universe, and eternally exists in the mind of God<sup>6</sup>. Some humans were known to be separated from the body only temporarily<sup>7</sup>, but this was a very rare occurrence.*

*There is no pain or sorrow after death. Once the detachment occurs, and there are no more physical inputs, then there is no more pain to deal with. There is only the processor, which is overwhelmed by the infinite input in the presence of God<sup>8</sup>. The soul is now plugged into higher spiritual levels. It no longer needs any type of "shell".*

This question has the students consider what happens with the corrosion that is introduced by the Evil One.

### 3) Can the Interface be Repaired?

*It is clear that the human body is very complex, as is all of what they call "life", but it is also clear that the soul is much more complex. The disorders of the integrated pair are Legion<sup>9</sup>. I believe that a soul mechanic is needed even more than a medical doctor<sup>10</sup>. The soul is not necessarily "bad" – it is just that the connections are degraded. The humans themselves are not able to fix themselves – there are not really any replaceable components<sup>11</sup> (though the Master promised to replace a heart of stone with a heart of flesh<sup>12</sup> for a person who recognized their need}.*

*The wiring of the interface gets remapped and confused sometimes. When certain inputs were corrupted or shorted out, then the brain's processing gets rather fuzzy. I knew that the Son had made many repairs when He was on the earth, but I remember one time that He had to rewire a man born blind after he healed his physical sensors<sup>13</sup>. There are many cases where the elderly suffer intermittent communication, but there was actually nothing wrong with the soul. All humans suffer from a certain curvature of the soul<sup>14</sup> that will be straightened out at the end time.*

*It is as though the soul, once separated from the body in what they call "death", is eventually plugged into another (spiritual) processor – or perhaps some type of multi-processor system. Death is an interruption of communication that is revived when the soul is thus reconnected.*

*Jesus was the human interface for God; but He suffered from many limitations due to the reduced "bandwidth" of His human nature. There was a temporary disconnect when He underwent the Great Sacrifice<sup>15</sup>. But He was plugged back in to His body, and ultimately plugged back into God.*

*Some of the subjects of the Kingdom have realized that through intimate contact with the spiritual they could actually rewire their system for the better<sup>16</sup>. The interfaces all get tainted, but they can be cleaned by the sacrificial blood of Christ<sup>17</sup>.*

One of the trainees tried to reduce the issue of the interactivity between the physical and spiritual by resorting to a well-used physics approximation: spherical particles colliding with each other.

### 4) A Simple Model of the Great Complexity

*Why did the Creator include such uncertainty in the fundamental particles that make up the physical universe? Why did He not just make atoms to be tiny spheres? Those who study science on earth humorously solve farm problems with spherical cows<sup>18</sup>, but it still seems to me that things could have been made simpler.*

*Of course, a conglomeration of simple particles cannot make the variability of substances that compose the world, and more importantly, life. Having loosely bound “electrons” existing in probability zones around a struggling nucleus of other particles does not seem like the Absolute Truth that God represents. But without such electrons being able to move like they do, there would be no atoms, molecules, electricity, and especially no light<sup>19</sup>. Perhaps in such a system there could be no free will either.*

*The physical world is not a closed system, though those humans who think themselves so smart that they don’t need God would never allow that idea. There is a sort of semi-permeable membrane between the physical and spiritual, between the life dimensions that allows one of us angels to act on the inside and control things. Men call these actions miracles, but the word only has meaning with respect to the definition of the normal physical laws of their closed universe. There indeed are firm spiritual boundaries, but they do not relate directly to physical ones – only to the True Good. Like the curvature of physical space, the tremendous spiritual mass of God draws us all to Him. Unless we resist, we are pulled along the shortest path to Him.*

The students needed to consider how souls relate to each other.

#### 5) Networking Interconnections

*There is a certain mystery about how souls connect. It is intriguing to see the various relationships and interconnections that develop. Of course, there were significant interconnections in the Spiritverse even before man was created<sup>20</sup>.*

*The act of marriage (which we do not take part in<sup>21</sup>), is a merging of two hearts and souls into one<sup>22</sup>. It brings about the image, in their world, of nearby plant roots becoming more and more entangled together, and is an indication of how souls blend in with the Spirit of God.*

*On a much larger level, saved souls ultimately become one with God. It is a mystery to them, and us as well<sup>2,23</sup>. This mingling of souls is achieved on a broader level in heaven - not with just two individuals but for all souls with God. The angels are already connected in this way<sup>21</sup>.*

*There are no small group relationships such as marriage, but one all - encompassing one. Humans need to prove themselves one-on-one before they can become part of the complete integrated picture. And they have to be in touch with their own soul before they can mingle with another<sup>24</sup>.*

*It is very interesting to watch the interactions between souls that are confined on earth. We monitor both the good and bad, but the best part is to see them inspire one another<sup>25</sup>. In a way is similar to “stimulated emission”, the property that governs radiation physics in certain regimes to produce light that rivals the sun. The coherent response of souls in step with each other we know to be a very powerful force.*

What really makes souls unique, and why are they allowed to be that way?

#### 6) Soul Variety and Creativity

*Each soul has a signature that is forged through lineage and environment, yet impacted and controlled by the Creator<sup>26</sup>. Each soul is thus unique, and His infiniteness can encompass this great variety. Each soul has a particular hollow that only God can fill, but He can fill it absolutely and uniquely<sup>27</sup>. This is true unless, of course, the body component of the interface prevents it.*

*One of the desired characteristics of the soul is that it reflect the Creator as much as possible – even with regard to the act of creating. Creation in their world reveals the depth of their soul, like the depth of soil mentioned in one of the Teacher’s parables<sup>28</sup>. Those that*

*work to reveal their heart and soul, to show their “soulprint”<sup>29</sup> to God, find a close communion with Him. They make His Word a part of the fabric of their being, and weave it into their soul<sup>30</sup>. But they still maintain their individuality in this vastness.*

*The act of Creation results in feelings of peace and completeness. And of course, they all have the ability to create love.*

*The Kingdom of Heaven is the most creative place that there is. That’s why I want to work in the Research and Development Department<sup>31</sup> in God’s Workshop<sup>32</sup>.*

## Conclusion

Reviewing these responses to my test questions has been very fascinating to me. I wanted to work with such angels to study the soul / body interfaces and perhaps intervene when they are not working properly. I considered the extension of these students’ ideas into some kind of “capstone” project. The purpose of this would be to stir their own thought-processing, not necessarily to have them find all of the right answers.

I had discussed earlier the awe of these students as they viewed the complexity of the Word. The humans considered God’s story difficult because the depth of such Love is difficult for them to grasp. In the face of the incredible complexity of the physical and spiritual universes, the most important thing to know is astonishingly simple: God is Love.

There are no secret words, equations, formulae, or handshake. Truth only goes its own way; nothing can divert it<sup>33</sup>. The humans only beat themselves up trying to move against it, for they end up being broken against the stumbling stone that is the Great Rock<sup>34</sup>. But those that rely on that Rock find eternal Rest<sup>35</sup>. Our work is to help humans to find this Rest so that they can come Home<sup>36</sup> to be with us.

1. David Elrod has mentioned a teacher who said that they wanted to take students wherever they were and help them to move a step forward, rather than to reach a common place.
2. 1 Peter 1:12, “Even angels long to look into these things.”
3. In the early church, some Christians speculated about whether souls existed before coming into bodies. Augustine for Armchair Theologians, p. 19; One may at least ask whether God is continually creating new souls or whether there is a reservoir of already created souls. Augustine for Armchair Theologians, p. 19
4. God was not a being like other beings, only greater; God was BEING... Augustine for Armchair Theologians, p. 126 [His BEING was breathed into physical containers – a soul was imparted at each breath – HSL]
5. God is established as a spiritual substance of unchanging existence and goodness, Who nonetheless creates beings capable of change... Augustine for Armchair Theologians, p. 128
6. Speaker at a funeral service who spoke of the deceased as if physically gone, but he would ultimately be recreated from the memory of God
7. consider Paul’s experience “in or out of the body”, 2 Corinthians 12:1ff
8. see Revelation 21:23, “The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.”
9. Mark 5:1-20
10. ... the cure of souls is harder work, more important than healing bodies. Orberg, John, Soul Keeping: Caring For the Most Important Part of You (p. 148).
11. Isn’t there a transistor in my head that I can replace? Cloud, Henry
12. Ezekiel 11:19 and Ezekiel 36:26
13. Think of those like Helen Keller with non-working physical interfaces (vision, hearing...), her brain was wired differently because she had no visual cortex development. Jesus healed a man born blind, who first saw men as trees walking, Mark 8:24

13. Prayer, meditation, and confession actually have the power to rewire the brain in a way that can make us less self-referential and more aware of how God sees us. Ortberg, John, *Soul Keeping: Caring For the Most Important Part of You* (p. 73).
14. All of us suffer from curvature of the soul. Haddon W. Robinson, *What Jesus said about Successful Living*, p. 15.
15. "My God, My God, Why have you forsaken me?" Matthew 27:46.
17. "they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.", Revelation 7:14.
18. Harte, John, Consider a Spherical Cow: A Course in Environmental Problem Solving.
19. "Let there be Light!", Genesis 1:3.
20. "Let us make man in our image," Genesis 1:27.
21. "At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven," Matthew 22:30
22. "... a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate." Mark 10:7-9
23. Rob Bell refers to "The mystery of the mingling of souls," in Sex God: Exploring the Endless Connections Between Sexuality and Spirituality (p. 134).
24. Imagine this person trying to become "echad" with another. How can a person mingle with another soul when they are out of touch with their own? Bell, Rob, *Sex God: Exploring the Endless Connections Between Sexuality and Spirituality* (p. 191).
25. "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds," Hebrews 10:24.
26. This signature on each soul may be a product of heredity and environment, but that only means that heredity and environment are among the instruments whereby God creates a soul. I am considering not how, but why, He makes each soul unique. If He had no use for all these differences, I do not see why He should have created more souls than one. Be sure that the ins and outs of your individuality are no mystery to Him; and one day they will no longer be a mystery to you. C.S. Lewis
27. And as to God, we must remember that the soul is but a hollow which God fills. Its union with God is, almost by definition, a continual self-abandonment— an opening, an unveiling, a surrender, of itself. Lewis, C. S. *The Problem of Pain*
28. Matthew 13
29. You possess a uniqueness that is soul deep. I call it your soulprint. Batterson, Mark, *Soulprint: Discovering Your Divine Destiny* (pp. 6-7).
30. Make Your Word become part of the fabric of my being. Weave it into my soul so that it forms who I am. Omartian, Stormie. *Lead Me, Holy Spirit Book of Prayers*
31. The church ought to be the most creative place on the planet... If the kingdom of God had departments, I'd want to work in Research and Development. Batterson, Mark
32. see story God's Workshop
33. "For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth," 2 Corinthians 13:8
34. Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed," Matthew 21:4
35. see 1 Corinthians 10:3-4
36. "many mansions", John 14:2-4