

# THE WHY SERIES

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**THEOLOGY AND ME**

THE PERSON, THE WORK, THE MINISTRY, THE PURPOSE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

**Christianity, Apologetics, Anthropology, Culture.**

Introduction to the Topic;

**Theology and Me In God's Grand Design.**

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...**15** My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. **16** Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them. **17** How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them! **18** If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You.

## THEOLOGY AND ME

### BEING HUMAN AND OUR ABILITY TO KNOW GOD.

#### 1.) What am I - being a human?

#### The Foundations of Human Creation & Existence

##### Genesis 1:24-28

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. **25** And God made (we are not told how) the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. **26** Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." **27** So God created man in His own *image*; (concept, thought, idea) in the *image* of God He created him; male and female He created them. **28** Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and reproduce (yourselves);

##### Gen. 2:15

Then the LORD God **took** the man and put him in the garden of Eden to **tend** and **keep** it.

What Is The Human Machine.  
The human being and our construction.

(1)

We are “physically” aware.  
{ why are we }

Genesis 2:7

And the LORD God #1 **formed** (shaped, crafted) man of the **dust of the ground**, (physical) and #2 **breathed** into his nostrils **the breath of life**; (non-physical) and man became a living being. (2 out of the 3 aspects of man)

Genesis 3:19

In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you **return to the ground**, For out of it you were taken; For **dust you are**, And to **dust you shall return.**”

God is Breathed Forth / Exhaled into Adam’s Lungs  
**The Breath of Life**

John 1:4

*In Him was life*, (Jesus Christ) *and the life was the light* (pho – fire-light, light, spark or cause) *of men.*

But where does “**the breath of life**” go after  
your body dies?

(2)

We are “thought” centered.  
{ why are we }

**The Mind of Man is the Closest Thing that allows us to  
know what God is like.**

**#1** God is Spirit. // **#2** God has a Will  
**#3** God has Allowed Himself to be known.

(3)

We are “spiritually” cognizant.  
{ why are we }

( we have the ability to possess values, make moral judgements, have consciousness, awareness )

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/what-is-consciousness/>

### What Is Consciousness?

*Scientists are beginning to unravel a mystery that has long vexed philosophers.*

“Consciousness is everything you experience. It is the tune stuck in your head, the sweetness of chocolate mousse, the throbbing pain of a toothache, the fierce love for your child and the bitter knowledge that eventually all feelings will end.”

“The majority of scholars accept consciousness as a given.”

- Christof Koch

### Psalm 8:1-4

O LORD, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth, Who have set Your glory above the heavens! 2 Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants you have ordained strength, because of Your enemies, that You may silence the enemy and the avenger. 3 When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, 4 What is man that You are mindful of him,

### **Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. 2 A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest. 3 A time to kill and a time to heal. A time to tear down and a time to build up. 4 A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance. 5 A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones. A time to embrace and a time to turn away. 6 A time to search and a time to quit searching. A time to keep and a time to throw away. 7 A time to tear and a time to mend. A time to be quiet and a time to speak. 8 A time to love and a time to hate.  
A time for war and a time for peace.

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**2.) Why is spirituality intrinsic to our human experience?**

**Is This Verse True About You?**

### **1Thessalonians 5:23**

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole **spirit, soul,** and **body** be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**"A Trichotomy"**

{ Spirit, Soul, and Body – That's Me }

**What's With My Body?**

### **James 3:6**

And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.

## What's With My Soul?

### Philippians 2:5

Let this **mind** be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

### Proverbs 23:7

For as he **thinks** in his heart, so is he.

### Psalms 37:4

Delight yourself also in the LORD,  
And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

### James 1:13-15

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. **14** But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. **15** Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

## What's With My Spirit?

### Ephesians 2:1-9

And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, **2** in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, **3** among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. **4** But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, **5** even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), **6** and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, **7** that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. **8** For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, **9** not of works, lest anyone should boast.

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**3.) Why do we know good from evil?**

Unlike the animal kingdom - We have a unique ability to not only determine what we prefer or desire, but we can also judge and evaluate.

To Determine

To Desire

To Judge

To Evaluate

**4.) How do we know right from wrong?**

We an Internal compass / an Active barometer

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**5.) What can be done about me?**

The “who” Am I Issue

The “what” Am I Issue

**The Invitation To Know Jesus Christ**

*End of Study*

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