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Introduction

In my new book, *The Kingdom Warrior 2: Journey Out of Babylon*, I approach the apostle Paul's writings with a new premise: Paul remained faithful to the Torah. The only exception would be the need for Gentiles to first become physically Jewish through circumcision before they could be saved (Acts 15 and the book of Galatians). Historically, requiring a work of the Law to “be saved” was a novelty, meaning it had never been required before!

- Abram was a Gentile and believed God. Circumcision came later in his life.
- Israel was not required to follow a single commandment before being delivered from Egypt. They were only required to believe.
Note: Only a free people can be given God's Law.

Paul stood against this requirement and understood the circumcision of the heart as the greater circumcision.

With these two things in place, Paul's teachings are properly connected and in harmony. Every argument against Paul quickly dies in the light of day.

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A New Heart and New Nature

Ezekiel 11:19 (ESV)

And I will give them one heart, and a new spirit I will put within them. I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh.

The new covenant addresses the real problem of sin: it was infused into the human heart. In my book, ***The Sheeriyth Imperative***, I coined the term “Iniquity Force” to describe this infusion of the sinful nature in humanity and the fallen angels. Therefore, transformation is vital to the new birth. This transformation needs to be more than what we do for a couple of hours on the weekend! It must be a life radically changed: literally, from darkness to light! Theologically, we call this transformation “regeneration.”

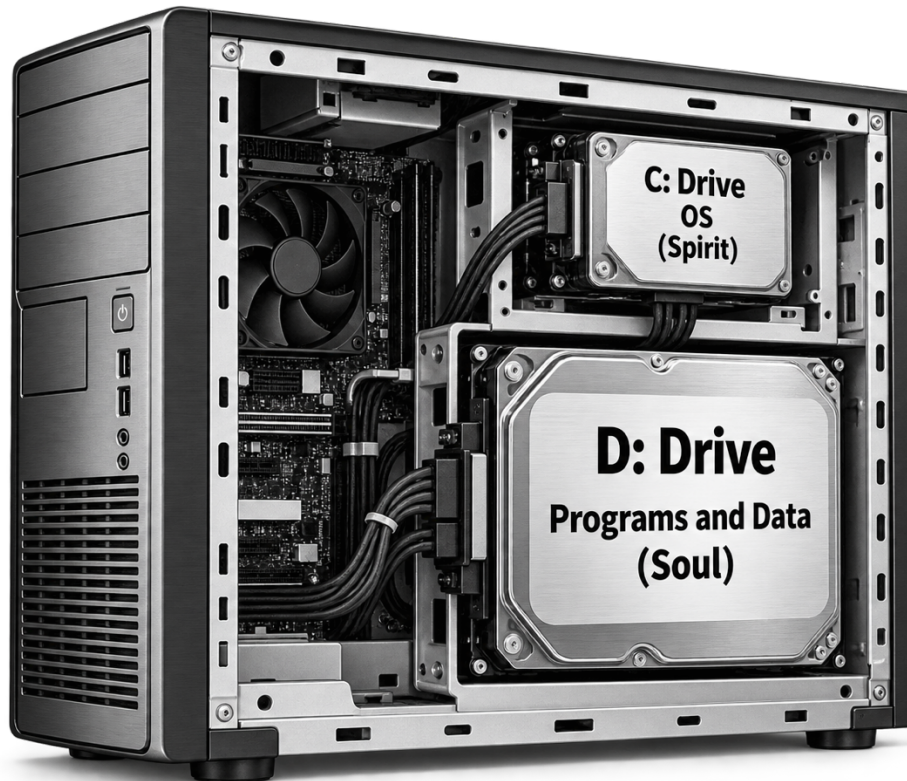
2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

The Greek word that Paul uses for “creation” is *ktisis*. According to **A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature (BDAG)**, *ktisis* means “creation; that which is created; governance system, authority system.”¹ **Logos Word Sense** states, “divine creation – an object of creation brought into

¹ William Arndt et al., *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000), 572–73.

existence by God; as opposed to the creation considered as a whole.” ²



Now, I want to drill down on how BDAG translates this important Greek word. In this supernatural, divine act of creation at the new birth, God installs a new governance system into your spirit. It is kind of like installing a new OS (operating system) on a computer. I remember when solid-state drives (SSDs) first came out. Because SSDs were so expensive, the OS (operating system) was installed on a smaller SSD, and a much larger traditional hard drive was used for programs and data. This is much the same way in which our spirit/soul system works. In my analogy, the drive containing the OS would have been my “C” drive. The multi-terabyte drive would have been my “D” drive.

² Logo Bible Software. FaithLife, Spokane, WA.

The Dragon installed the old system into humanity's nature in the Garden, into the now darkened spirits of the first couple. That system included the “law of sin and death.” Using this analogy, God creates a new hard drive in your spirit and installs His law to become the new operating system. It is now your new nature. Although Paul would have used different terminology and examples, I believe the principle is the same. God's commandments were for more than your soul. God’s intent was always to have them written in your spirit one day. Listen, with our example in mind, as we again read what Paul said about the law.

Romans 7:14 (ESV)

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin.

In this part of Paul’s theological discussion, the law is spiritual, but the sin nature is still written in his spirit. Paul’s soul had been taught the law from childhood, but hell’s law was in his spirit, waiting to be released. This is the difference between the age of innocence (0-12) and the age of accountability (13+). Paul states:

Romans 7:9 (ESV)

I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died.

At the Bar Mitzvah, the young man's father would fall to his knees and thank God that his son had grown to be responsible for his own sins. In that moment, the commandment came. The first time the young man violated a commandment, he died and became a slave to sin.

Now, Paul turns his attention to the completed work of Christ. God's law has been written in our spirits, and Paul calls it “the law of the Spirit of Life.”

In Christ, we have the law of the Spirit of Life.

Romans 8:1–2 (ESV)

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Now, remember, in scriptural context, Paul is speaking of the law of God versus the law of hell. There is not a third law being introduced here. Now, Paul goes on to say that the law by itself could not produce what he is talking about. His argument is perfectly sound. The Law of God is needed to convert the soul (mind), but it could not produce this new, supernatural creation of a new spirit. God's law laid the legal groundwork for Christ's redemptive work. But only Christ's completed work on our behalf could provide the final atonement and make the new birth possible.

Our souls still have strongholds of programming (how we have learned to respond to life and see reality) and are entwined with the enemy's lies (data). The new governance system begins to take hold as we renew our minds with the Word of God, and our spirit and soul become synchronized, or in agreement.

2 Corinthians 10:4–5 (ESV)

For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ.

Believers tend to underestimate the spiritual warfare involved in renewing the mind. These strongholds hate the Word of God, will give you every reason why the Word does not apply to you or that

God was in error, and even cause anguish as if you are trying to get off some soulish opiate. Our mission in Christ is to destroy the arguments and lofty opinions that rail against the Word of God and to bring every thought into submission to both the Lordship of Christ and the written Word of God. The warfare can be difficult, which makes the victory sweeter in our lives.

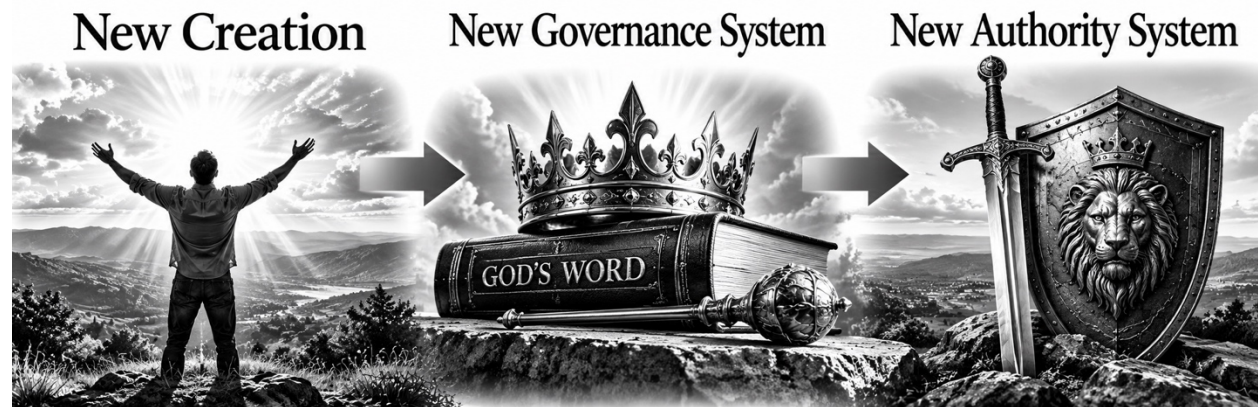
When it comes to answered prayer, John touches on this dynamic between spirit and soul. Let's look at the verses in question.

1 John 3:19–24 (ESV)

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

In his dialogue, why is the heart condemning the person praying? Living from the old programming of the enemy. When we try to rise in faith to believe God, our spirit dials it down because there is sin or conflict. Now, God is greater. Repentance, renewing the mind, and adjusting our behavior become necessary. Then John says, "Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him." When our

spirit and soul begin moving in harmony with the new governance system, then the new authority system can begin to move.



I believe that John revealed one of the major causes of both unanswered prayer and a lack of true spiritual authority in the Church today. Our souls are in conflict with the new creation spirit Christ has placed within us.

All true authority is delegated authority that flows from its source: the throne of Christ. Illegitimate authority will try to draw its authority from the people. This is the authority the religious leaders in Jesus' day sought to seize. False apostles, prophets, and teachers are moving in the same illegitimate authority today. These false ministries are scattered throughout the Body of Christ. From my personal observation, there are heavy concentrations in both the Charismatic and Hebrew Roots Movements. Originally, both of these movements were filled with great scholarship and a true dedication to Christ. However, the false saw opportunity and profit and invaded these movements like locusts.

I believe that in the days ahead, we will see the true fivefold ministry rise throughout the Body. No gimmicks, no circus, no entertainment, just real biblical ministry.