

*"Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God." (Luke 3:38 KJV) "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. (Luke 1:35 KJV) "And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit." (1 Corinthians 15:45 KJV)*



The first Adam was man's spirit; the second was the Holy Ghost. *"There are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."* I don't try to understand it; I just accept it. The only way to wrap our minds around it is to go back to Genesis and look at the fact that man was created in God's own image. Men are eternal souls with mortal bodies. Our spirits are separated from God's Spirit or joined with the *"quickening Spirit"* of God. "Quicken" means to make alive. *"The LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a LIVING soul."* The opposite of what he was. Where God's Spirit is, God is! When Adam sinned, God withdrew Himself from Adam and Adam was again separated from God! God IS life so the correct definition of death is the absence of life. When our soul and spirit leaves our body we call it death. That is physical death. Adam and Eve *"surely died"* when they ate, because God, who is life, withdrew! They died spiritually and thereby men are all born eternally separated from God, not nonfunctioning physically, but spiritually dead. God made a body for Himself and placed it in Mary's womb with the express purpose of restoring man to the original *"image of God."* He indwelt that body and walked and talked among men until the hour of man's redemption: Christ's death. He died to fulfill His Law that required innocent blood for the guilty. Through matchless Grace, His Blood paved the way for all mankind, through faith in His Word, to again be *living* spirits, and enjoy intimacy with the Almighty! God did not destroy His body on the cross, but separated from it and it died. After three days and nights, God resurrected His body, transformed it, and forever indwells it in all power and Holiness! What will be seen of God in eternity is His Body, Jesus Christ. Paul wrote, *"in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead, BODILY."* Jesus told Phillip, *"He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."* You say you know who someone is, but you only know what their body looks like. You meet their body and can recognize them. You meet the soul of a person through friendship. When you begin to know their feelings and thoughts, you have met their spirit. God desires an intimate relationship with His Children. God wants men restored *"to the image of His Son,"* Jesus, so that *"when He shall appear, we shall be like Him!"*

The Spirit of God indwells the soul,  
To quicken and make man's spirit whole,  
His inner presence fills with peace,  
Eternal Joy! 'Twill never cease! ~CGP

The *"last Adam"* indicates that God is finished with His plan for human form. The next step is *"redemption of the body,"* when our bodies are changed and we rise see the Lover of our soul!

*"Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'" 1Corinthians 15:51-54 KJV*