

GOD'S WORD GIVES LIFE

Family Devotion — Lesson 5

MEMORY VERSE — Genesis 2:7

“And 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.”

- On the sixth day after God created land animals He formed the first man (Adam) from the dust of the ground. Although it had not yet rained, the ground was watered from a mist (Gen. 2:6). Adam was like clay in the Potter's hand. Adam means “taken out of the red ground.” Adam did not evolve from an animal, but was made a special creation directly from the hand of God.
- After Adam was formed, he was just a body. God completed Adam by breathing into his nostrils the breath of life and he became a living soul. He was made in the image of the triune God (Father—Son—Holy Spirit).

SOUL - self awareness; the inside you; decision making

BODY - world awareness; five senses

SPIRIT - God awareness; spiritual faith

- When God breathes into something, it becomes **ALIVE!** This reminds us of the **SCRIPTURES**.
- “Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.” (1 Pet. 1:23)
- “Jesus said, “the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life” (Jn. 6:63).
- We too are a divine creation from God:
“But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand” (Is. 64:8).
“For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them” (Ps. 139:13-16).
“The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life” (Job 33:4).

QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS

- What do you think would have happened if God did not breath into Adam's nostrils? See James 2:26.
- In what way was Eve created differently than Adam? (Gen. 2:18-25)

PRAYER TIME

- Pray for God to mold and shape you to be more like Jesus.

CHALLENGE

- Think of five differences between man and animals.