

# Created in His Image? Our Image Marred?

I share some things with you regarding my background. I am sharing this with you, because there is no true healing of the soul (mind, will, emotions), apart from the One who created it. I know this to be true by first-hand knowledge. I tried everything else, but God. Later I found Him or rather I was found of God. He changed my life forever.

God created mankind in His image, which image was horribly marred after the Fall of mankind in the Garden of Eden. You may say this is an allegory. Well, let's see if there is anything that bares out that mankind is a fallen creation.

We are all familiar with the term "damage or damaged." This can be applied to numerous things, including people that have been hurt emotionally. The origin of the word "damage" is very interesting. According John Ayte's Dictionary of Word Origins, it comes from the Latin word **DAMMUM, which means "loss or damage. Our English word for DAMN was derived from this source.** From Latin, the word **DAMMUM passed into Old French as DAM, from which was formed the derivative damage.** The English borrowed it and preserved the Old French form DAM, but in modern French it has become dommage. So, **we have taken DAM and added the word "AGE," to get the word "DAMAGED."** Now, according to Smith's English-Latin Dictionary, by William Smith & Theophilus D. Gall, **"age" refers to time of life, lifetime.** It stems from the Latin AETAS, ATIS AND BECAME AEVUM, **meaning "human nature is weak, short of age, a man worn-out with disease and age."**

**If we were to put all of this together, we would come up with the meaning "damned lifetime" or "damned time of life."**

Now, mankind is made of as a trinity, same as God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.) We are composed of a spirit (where God communicates with mankind, a soul (mind, will, emotions), and a body. When one is born into the world, he is born with a dead spirit because all of mankind came from Adam. When he sinned, it passed down to all of us. We are born into sin. Well, is this true? You know, no one has to teach a baby how to lie or to do wrong. He/she knows it innately. Because our spirit is dead, we cannot know God. We can be religious and have many spiritual beliefs, but we still don't know Him. We can do many good works, but still not know Him. He must give you a new spirit and His life (eternal – never dies) comes into your spirit when you accept Him as your Savior and changes you. He is the one that heals the mind, will, emotions and body.

Our spirit and soul are the invisible part of us and it doesn't heal the way our body heals. It is the spiritual part of us and because it is spiritual, not matter, it needs a spirit healing and that can only come from the Father of all spirits, for He Himself is a spirit.

So, we can go to psychologists and never be healed. We can be helped, but not totally healed. We can manage the pain and dysfunction, but we can't change or heal it

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totally. Please, read his verse and my comments. I am not trying to preach to you but rather show you that a change needs to actually take place in us for there to be salvation or healing. The Greek word for salvation means, salvation, healing, and deliverance. We need a new nature. Well, God imparts His to us when come to Him. Let's see show this happens.

Gospel of John 1:12-13, it tells us that

But **as many as received him**, to them gave He authority ***to become the sons of God***, even to them that believe on his name:

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

**Look the part that says, "to become"** the children of God. The New Testament was originally written in Greek (Koine). We are using translations from the original Greek. Without going into this right now, as there's a difference between literal and paraphrase translations. **The words "to become" in the original Greek means "to cause to be." The verb gives the idea of a change of nature.** So, this is what happens when one truly is born of God, Gospel of John Chapter 3 verses 4-5 (John 3:4-5). He actual gives us a new spirit and then His life (eternal) comes to dwell in us through His Spirit. In 2 Corinthians 5:17, it tells us "If any one being in Christ he is a new creature."

So, we need His nature and a new spirit and then He can heal our souls. This healing is a process as God needs our cooperation. He does not go against our will. I have put some videos links below that may help to understand what salvation really means. Many of us have a wrong understanding of it and call religion of God. Not so.

I have placed another document the website that contains videos on salvation as well as videos on how to study the Bible and to rightly divide. I chose these videos as Robert Breaker teaches using a whiteboard giving dates, outline, history, etc. His teaching is in depth as well as easy to understand.