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Spiritual Life Dynamics (02) **(The Psuchikos Man)**

In my last lesson, we studied **Sanctification** from 2 Thess.2:13-14. It was the last [2013 Basic Doctrine](#) and the first of a new series entitled, **Spiritual Life**.

In today's lesson text, Paul used three different theological terms to describe three different types of spiritual persons that the church must deal with during the church age.

- In 1 Cor.2:14 Paul identified the Psuchikos Man.
- In 1 Cor.2:15 He identified the Pneumatikos Man.
- In 1 Cor.3:1-3 He identified the Sarkikos Man.

Today we will study five aspects of the Psuchikos Man.

1. The Psuchikos Man is every unbeliever under the [13 judicial charges of Adam's Original Sin](#) (AOS) (Gen.2:17; Rom.5:12-21; 1 Cor.15:22, 44-46, 50) [The First Adam contrasted to the Last Adam].

(John 5:24) "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life."

The term Psuchikos is described as one belonging to the soul or self.

- The Psuchikos Man is an unbeliever without eternal life.
- The Psuchikos Man is an unbeliever without a saving relationship with Christ (Col.1:26-28).
- The Psuchikos Man is an unsaved person without the Holy Spirit
 - "These are the ones who cause division, worldly-minded, **devoid of the Spirit.**" ((Jude 19)

(Rom.8:9) "However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him."

2. Because the Psuchikos Man is devoid of the Holy Spirit, he is unable to understand spiritual matters.

Spiritual matters seem foolish to the Psuchikos Man (1 Cor.1:18-25; 26-31).

(1 Cor.2:14) "But a **natural man (psuchikos)** does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are **foolishness** to him; and he cannot understand them, **because** they are spiritually appraised."

He can only understand the wisdom of the world (The **Cosmos Diabolicus Dynasphere**) (1 Cor.1:20-21, 25; 2:4-5; 3:19-20). He is spiritually blind (2 Cor.4:3-4).

This means that the Psuchikos Man has not received the [Eight Works of the Holy Spirit](#) at the point of Grace Salvation

3. **At the moment a Psuchikos Man believes the gospel of grace salvation (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9), he is removed from the Cosmos Diabolicus Dynasphere and transferred into the Divine Dynasphere (Eph.6:12; 2 Cor.10:4-5).**

(Col.1:13-14) “For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” (Acts 26:18)

(John 15:19) “If you were of the world, the world would love its own; **but because you are not of the world**, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.”

Once saved, you will never be a Psuchikos Man ever again (2 Cor.5:17; Eph.5:8).

4. **At the moment of grace salvation, the Psuchikos Man’s identity is changed to the Pneumatikos Man.**

(1 Cor.2:14-15) “But a **natural man (psuchikos)** does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. **But he who is spiritual (pneumaikos) appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one.**”

The Greek word for **appraised** is (anakrino). Anakrino is a legal term referring to preliminary judicial examination preceding the trial.

The fact that the Psuchikos Man cannot examine so as to understand spiritual phenomena shows he is being examined judicially by it. It is not that the Psuchikos Man will not **but cannot** understand spiritual phenomena (1 Cor.2:4-5, 10-15; John 16:8-11).

5. **The Psuchikos Man is changed to The Pneumatikos Man because of the 8 works of the Holy Spirit accomplished at the moment of grace salvation. The Pneumatikos Man is one who belongs to the Holy Spirit.**

(John 7:38-39) “He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’ But He spoke of the Spirit, **whom those who believed in Him were to receive**; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.”

(2 Cor.3:3, 6) “Being manifested that you are a letter of Christ, cared for by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.”

(1 Cor.2:15) “But he who is **spiritual (pneumatikos)** appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one.”

- Next week’s lesson will be on the Pneumatikos Man.