

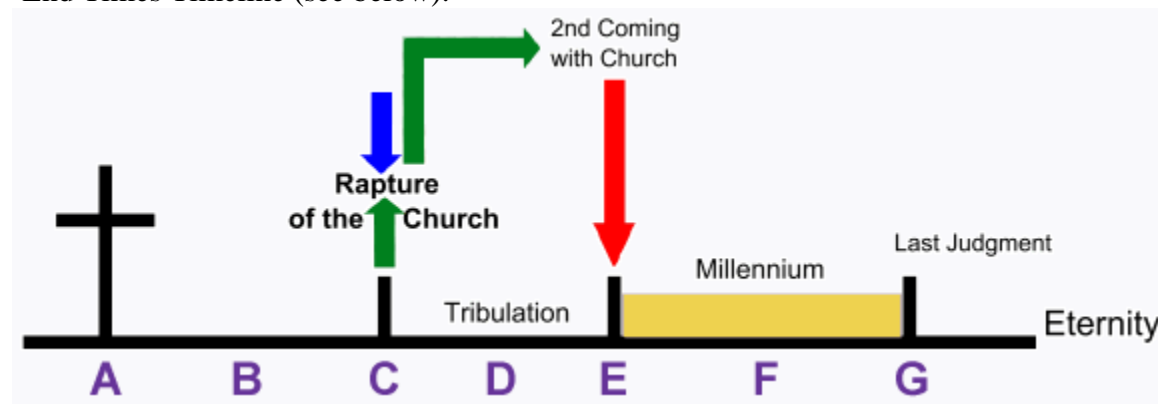
**Sermon: “The Human Trinity” on 1 Thessalonians 5:23. 4/10/16. By Chris Fogle given at House of Grace in Hemet, CA.**

**Intro**

- This sermon's purpose & how it came to be (Book and Blog).
- The gospel in a nutshell.
- Today's focus: body, soul and spirit
- Analogy as a person: 1. Machinist (Physical), 2. Supervisor (Mind), 3. Director (spirit - developing vision and driving longevity).

**Context**

- Importance of Context.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:23 itself is a condensed version of the last 2 chapters.
- Read Text together
- “*God of peace*” (looks back at 1 Thessalonians 5:23).
- End Times Timeline (see below).



- A. Jesus' birth, death & resurrection at His First Coming.
- B. The last 2,000 years (this is where we're at now).
- C. Jesus' Raptures the Church (often misunderstood as “Second Coming”).
- D. 7 years of the Tribulation.
- E. Jesus' Second Coming.
- F. The Millennium (1,000 years of Jesus' peace)
- G. The Last Judgment

- “*sanctify us completely*” (looks back at 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5).
- New to this section: body, soul and spirit (we'll come right back to this).
- “*preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*” (looks back at 1 Thessalonians 3:13 and in more detail in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17).

**The Body, Soul and Spirit as a Trichotomy**

- Paul's main point.
- Reasons for studying the body, soul and spirit.
- Different theories: trichotomy vs. dichotomy
- See [www.gotquestions.org](http://www.gotquestions.org) articles.
- Everyone agree we're made of three parts

-Blood: Who Blood, Plasma and Palettes.

### **Individual Parts**

-The Body (Greek, "*soma*"): The physical material we are housed in, containing our organs and blood and bones.

-The Soul (Greek, "*psyche*"): Our "mind" comprised of our will, emotions and conscience.

- The Spirit (Greek "*pneuma*"). Our spiritual essence which will live forever.

A. Hebrews 4:12, NASB

B. Romans 12:1-2, NASB

### **The Order Paul Gives the Trichotomy In**

-After Christ transforms us: 1. "*spirit*", 2. "*soul*" and 3. "*body*."

-Before Christ transforms us: 1. "*body*", 2. "*soul*" and 3. "*spirit*".

### **Conclusion**

-Now that we've looked at the body, soul and spirit we have an even better understanding of this verse.

-"*the God of peace*" - peace that passes understanding: spirit awakened and "mind" transformed.

-"*sanctify us completely*" - God is going to purify my body, my mind and my spirit!

-"*be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ*" - "*preserved*" now and eternally.

-Jesus will keep us blameless in our "*body, soul and spirit*".

-He has paid our price: He was blameless first so He can make us blameless.