

**Real Change 3:
What was resurrected**

Romans 6

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Galatians 2:20

Our method of change “how’s that working out for you?”

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We try to change ourselves
This is “my flesh” at work

What if God is not who you think He is
and neither are you?

As you view your relationship with the
Father, do you view it primarily as:
judicial or relational

Luke 15

When did the father start looking for the
son?

How does God change us?

Romans 6: something is crucified
something remains dead
something rose again
how do we then live?

What died and rose again with Christ?

Romans 6: 1 - 11 (ESV)

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What was crucified?

Do you not know? (*know used twice*)

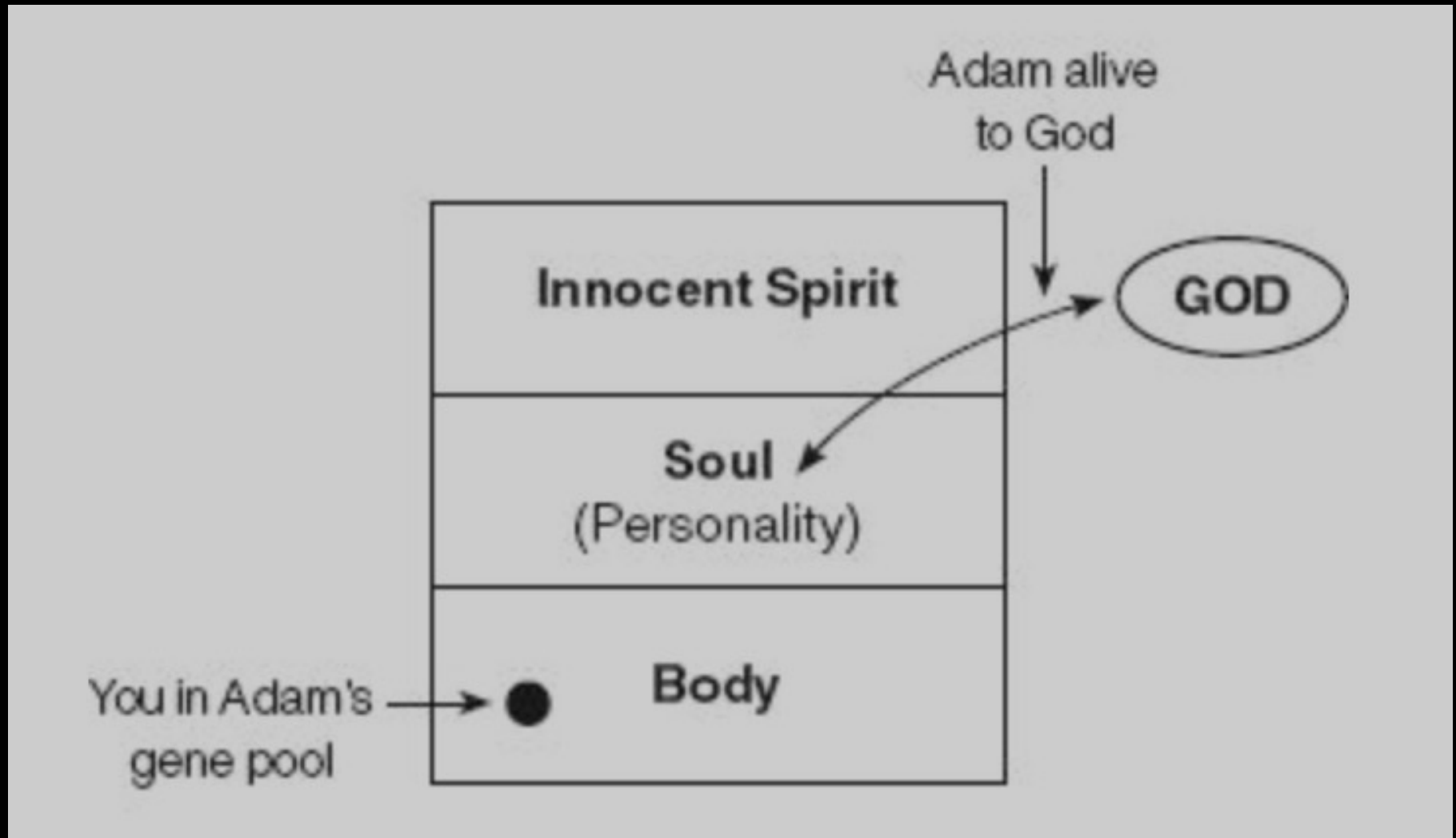
We have been baptized into His death

We have been united (joined, grown together) in His death and resurrection

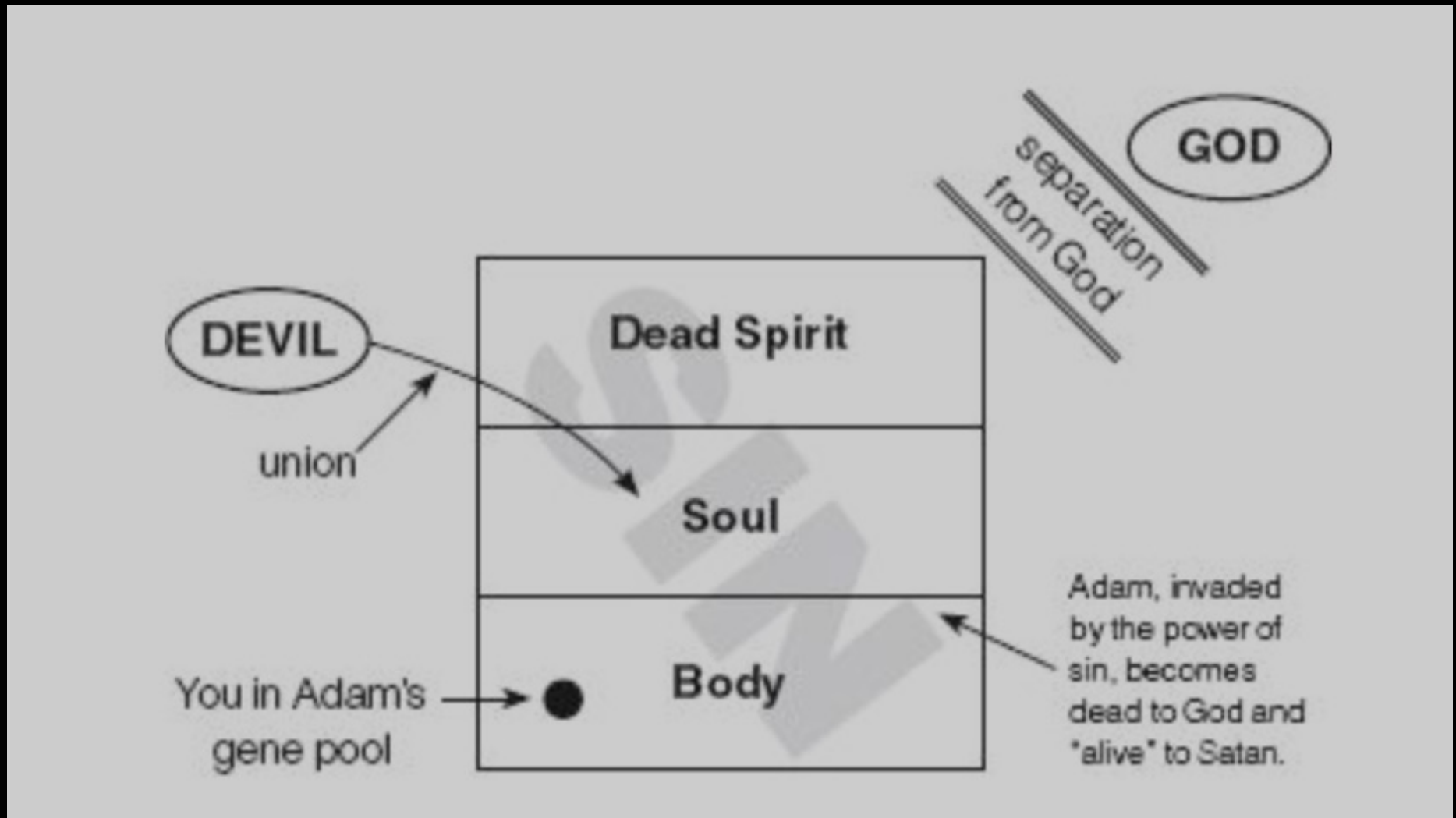
We know that our old self (old man) was crucified with him (vs 6)

What is our old self / old man?

God created us with a body, soul and spirit Adam was created alive to God



The fall: Adam died to God Our old man: our spirit that is dead to God



Our old man:
our dead (unregenerate) spirit

The day Adam and Eve fell, their spirit
became dead to God and alive to Satan

“we know that our old self was crucified with
him” Romans 6: 6

We were crucified with Jesus (Romans 6:5 we
were united with him in his crucifixion),
and our old man (old self) was killed.

Our “old man” was buried with Jesus (6: 4)

But I've always heard my "old man" is very much alive and at war with my new self

Colossians 2: 11 -15 : the dead made alive

Circumcision of Christ where the dead (body of flesh) part of us was "cut off"

We were buried with Jesus in baptism

We were made alive in Him

Our "record of debt" was nailed to the cross

What is cut off in circumcision doesn't grow back on

What about our sins?

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. 1 Peter 2: 24

Our sins and our “old man” were taken into Jesus when He died on the cross, and were buried with Him in the tomb

“old man” is not “*the flesh*” or “*sin nature*” (in NIV) we read about in

Romans

We are bound by time

in him we live and move and
have our being

Acts 17: 28

for God, it is always now



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What was resurrected?

We were united (fused) with Jesus in His crucifixion, burial and resurrection

Our old man and our sins remain in the grave

Our new man was raised into newness of life

Jesus was raised into a new resurrection body

We are raised into a new spiritual life in our old decaying body until our new spirit is united with our resurrection body

Terms: “sin” and “the flesh”

Sin: not actions, but a living force, think of it as Satan’s counterfeit of the Holy Spirit

Flesh: not evil actions

“the flesh is the old ways and patterns by which you have attempted to get all your needs supplied instead of seeking Christ first and trusting him to meet your needs” *B. Gillham*

“the flesh” can also mean physical body

Christ, who is your life

To live is Christ Philippians 1: 21

Made us alive together with Christ Eph. 2: 5

You are in Christ Jesus, who became to us
wisdom from God, righteousness,
sanctification, and redemption 1 Cor. 1: 30

For you have died, and your life is hidden with
Christ in God. When Christ, who is your
life....

Colossians 3: 3

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As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him

Colossians 2: 6

What does it mean if:

My old man is truly dead

My sins are truly gone

Christ is truly living in me

He brings His righteousness, love, faith
into me

My character can't change if I don't know that my old man is dead and I am new

Until I understand that my old man is dead and buried, my sins are entirely buried and forgotten, and I am raised into newness of life with Jesus living through me, Rom. 6: 12- becomes another list of commands I can't carry out. Until I know grace, my primary concern will be with doing more right and less wrong.