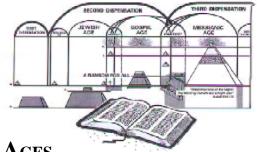


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THE DIVINE PLAN OF THE AGES

STUDY 10

SPIRITUAL AND HUMAN NATURES SEPARATE AND DISTINCT

Please study the 78 paragraphs in Study 10 of "The Divine Plan of the Ages" and the scriptures

 cited with the questions. We suggest that y Return your answers to us. Please enclose Our Canadian and International friends ma Your answers will be checked and returned STUDY 11 will be sent when you have comp 	E A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE. y make special arrangements for the postage. to you for your future studies.
1. The Christian will receive a change of nature from the human to the	Please fill in the chart showing the various grades of life and minerals.
(2 Pet. 1:4; 1 Cor. 15:38, 40) All the obedient families of the earth will experience (Acts 3:19-21)	OR SPIRITUAL OR ANIMAL DOMAIN DOMAIN
2. Will the obedient of the masses of mankind be as completely saved from the fall as those who	Trees
become partakers of the divine nature? 3. Was Adam created perfect? (Gen. 1:27, 31)	Fowl Grasses Copper Angelic
The incorrect view that man must become spiritual in order to reach perfection leads to	9. Does perfecting a nature change a nature? The nature is superior to
4. Who are the two perfect men who have lived on the earth? and Fallen man can reason with the Creator because man was made in the	all spiritual natures. 10. The highest grade of <i>mineral</i> is inferior to the lowest grade of <i>vegetable</i> because in vegetation there is The highest grade of <i>vegetable</i>
of God. 5. Who is the ruler over all things?	is lower than the lowest grade of <i>animal</i> life because in <i>animal</i> life there is conscience of
Adam was made ruler over allthings.	11. Sin has changed man's as well as his The effect of
6. Adam was given dominion over the of the sea, the of the air, and	sin in multiplied generations is that the likeness of is almost In the
Man was made a little <i>degree</i> lower than the . (Hebrews 2:7)	year 1886 the average length of life was years. Is the average length of life much higher now? Adam was years old when he died. (Gen. 5:5)
(Hebrews 2:7) 7. Man will eventually become king of the The <i>man</i> Christ tasted	Will man be restored to his original perfection, it obedient, during the Mediatorial reign of Christ?
death for every man. (Hebrews 2:9) 8. Does a little lower in <i>degree</i> mean a little	(Romans 5:18, 19) What did Adam lose for himself and his race? and an
less perfect? Would a perfect horse be lower than a perfect man?	paradise. Who came to seek and to save that which was lost? (Luke 19:10)

12. In order to be a ransom for man, it was	24. Was it an exceptional case for our Lord to be
necessary for our Lord to receive a change of nature	changed from one nature to another? When
from the spiritual to the (Philippians	God made angels, did he wish them to remain angels
2:7, 8) Our Lord was higher than the	forever? Every creature in its perfection
in his <i>prehuman</i> condition (Hebrews 2:16)	is
13. Since our Lord's resurrection, he now has the	25. Are angels frequently present, yet invisible
nature. (Philippians 2:9)	to human eyesight? (Psalm 34:7; Hebrews 1:14)
14. Are the divine, angelic and human natures	At the time Elisha's servant was fearful,
separate and distinct? As a man, was	Elisha to the Lord.
Jesus perfect?	26. Can angels assume human bodies and appear
15. Did Jesus keep the law perfectly?	as men? (Genesis 18:1, 2) Angels appeared to
Was it necessary for Jesus to be a perfect man in	
order to be a corresponding price for Adam?	,, the father and mother of and to others during
(1 Timothy 2:5, 6)	the Patriarchal and Jewish ages. (Genesis 18:1, 2;
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16. Since Jesus in the flesh was a perfect man,	Judges 6:11-22; 13:20)
does it prove that a perfect man is not an angel?	27. Spirit beings in their normal condition are described as and
17. Was Jesus a combination of two natures,	Christ's glorious body after his resurrection (as Saul
human and spiritual? The blending of	viewed it) was brighter than the
two natures produces an imperfect	at noonday. (Acts 26:13)
being. Jesus received the earnest of his inheritance	28. Are angels invisible to men unless they appear
to the divine nature at 30 years of age when he	in flesh as men or men's eyes are opened to see them?
consecrated and was	Did the men with Saul see our Lord?
(Matt. 3:16, 17) Before Jesus became a full partaker	(Acts 9:7) For how long did the prince of the
of the divine nature his	kingdom of Persia withstand the angel of the Lord
had to be carried out and his nature	who was sent to Daniel? (Daniel 10:13)
sacrificed.	——————————————————————————————————————
18. How many times did Jesus experience a	29. Our Lord since his resurrection is a divine
change of nature?	being.
19. Did our Lord Jesus give the equivalent for	30. Are spiritual and human natures separate
that which man lost?	and distinct? When complete, there will
20. Will an increase of knowledge or power effect	be body members (with Christ
a change of nature? Will increase of	the Head) who will also be divine spirit beings.
knowledge and skill doubtless be man's blessed	(Rev 14:1) The great future work of the Christ is
privilege to all eternity?	to all things.
21. Jesus as a man was an illustration of perfect	31. Is it important to learn the correct meaning of
nature. The overcoming church	the words <i>mortality</i> and <i>immortality</i> ?
will receive the nature.	32. The definition of <i>mortality</i> is a condition in
22. A "" is offered	which death is a
a change of nature during the Gospel age. Exceeding	33. The definition of <i>immortality</i> is a condition
and promises are	in which death is an
given to the <i>little flock</i> . (Luke 12:32; 2 Peter 1:4)	34. The <i>common</i> idea of <i>mortality</i> is wrong, but
Perfect life will be offered to the	the idea of <i>immortality</i> is more nearly
obedient of the world of mankind.	35. Was Adam mortal <i>or</i> immortal before his
23. The informs us that there are	transgression? If Adam had
spirit beings. (1 Corinthians 15:40) Do we know to	been immortal, could the Creator have said that
some extent what a natural, earthly, terrestrial body	disobedience would bring death?
is? Do we know what a spirit body is like?	36. Was Adam's life secure so long as he remained
(1 John 3:2)	obedient to his Creator?

37. Was Adam on trial for <i>immortality</i> ?	50. Who formed the earth and made it?
Will the great mass of mankind saved from the fall,	Does anyone have a right to dictate to God?
as well as the angels from heaven, always be <i>mortal</i> ?	Is it more becoming to come humbly to God's word
Could they suffer death if disobedient?	and ask rather than command that he carry out our
(Ezek. 18:4) The security of their existence	ideas?
will be conditioned upon what?	51. With the exception of the Gospel age church,
38. Originally only was	will man in the resurrection still be earthy, human,
immortal. (John 5:26) Jesus is now	adapted to the earth? Peter, our Lord, and all
since his resurrection. (Philippians 2:9) The	the holy prophets declare that the human race will be
is also promised immortality.	to human perfection. (Acts 3:19-21)
39. Is Satan mortal <i>or</i> immortal?	52. Weeping bereaved ones will have their tears all
The fact that Satan will be <i>destroyed</i> proves that	wiped away when they realize the
as a class are mortal.	work complete. (Rev. 21:4) Please <i>read</i> and
40. Will immortal and mortal beings live forever	remember the paragraph which begins with: "It is
in joy and happiness and love after the incorrigible	this portion" (Quoted on Page 4 of this lesson.)
sinners are blotted out?	53. Will paradise be restored? Will the
41. The very foundation of the doctrine of eternal	thorns and briers cease to exist? The desert
torment is based upon the <i>unscriptural theory</i> that	is now as the rose. Is it natural
man was created The full	to have a restless desire for something new?
penalty of wilful sin against full light and knowledge	Will restored men have a desire to become spirit
is the (Ezek. 18:4;	beings? Those now invited to receive a
Acts 3:23)	change of nature need special help from God to keep
42. Does justice require that God should make	their eyes fixed on the spiritual
no difference in the bestowment of his favors among	54. The selection of the body of Christ was
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his creatures?	determined in the divine plan the
43. Is it a manifest absurdity to believe that all	foundation of the (Ephesians 1:4, 5)
God's creatures must eventually attain the divine	This called out class must be conformed to the image
nature?	of God's dear (Romans 8:28-31)
44. Does all nature, both animate and inanimate,	55. The age is the age
exhibit the glory and diversity of divine power and	during which the church is selected. Is the church
wisdom?	predestinated individually or as a class?
45. Should a <i>favor</i> be esteemed as a justly merited	1
recompense?	56. What does the word <i>glorified</i> in Romans 8:30,
46. Man has an existence due to God's	from the Greek <i>doxazo</i> , signify?
Should all of God's intelligent creatures receive with	The church, like its Head, experiences a beginning
<u>o</u>	
gratitude whatever God bestows?	of the <i>honor</i> at the time of spirit
47. The aspiration of Satan's	(James 1:18) They are fully ushered into the honor
brought his abasement and will end in his	at the time of spirit Since
(Isaiah 14:14) What	the body members, by inheritance are sinners,
is the reward of those who humble themselves?	from sin through the death of has been provided for this class.
(Luke 14:11)	of has been provided for this class.
48. Does God have the right to elect or choose	57. How many are called to the high calling?
that some of his creatures shall be angels, some	The call at the first was confined to
men, some beasts, birds, etc? Will	The wedding garments represent the
the <i>little flock</i> who will receive the divine nature	imputed righteousness of
merit it more than others?	One who will not wear the wedding garment is
49. Does the potter have power over the clay to	In order to appear with the
make one vessel unto honor and another one unto	Lamb in glory, it is necessary to be called, chosen
less honor? (Romans 9:20, 21)	and (Revelation 17:14)
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58. In order to be a member of the body of Christ,	of nature from human to Must the
it is necessary to fulfill the of the call.	consecrated sacrifice the present good things and
59. Does God have the absolute right to do what	devote all their energies to the service of God?
he will with his own?	Is this world the resting place of the fully
60. The blending of two natures would cause	consecrated? 69. Is there a difference between the fully
61. In order to become a member of the body of	consecrated and those who are only believers?
Christ, it is necessary to follow in	The new divine is the earnest of the
steps. Those who faithfully suffer with Christ will	inheritance of the fully consecrated. (Eph 1:13, 14)
be partakers of the nature.	The more than will be
(Romans 8:17; 2 Timothy 2:12)	like Jesus and see him as he (1 John 3:2:
62. The saints are said to be begotten of God	Romans 8:37)
through the of Full	70. The change from a human to a spirit body is
consecration is a service.	(1 Cor. 15:52)
(Romans 12:1) One becomes a new creature from	71. The human nature is a likeness of the
the moment of full	(Genesis 5:1) Is it possible
(2 Corinthians 5:17)	for these different natures to arrive at the same
63. One is an embryo new creature from the time	conclusions? Do the spiritual natures have
of consecration until the death of the	powers beyond and above the human?
nature. More and more	72. Is there an immeasurable distance between
of God's plan through the operation of the holy Spirit	God and his creatures?
enables our mortal bodies to render God service.	73. The change from the human to the spiritual
(Romans 8:11)	nature is effected by carrying the same mental powers
64. The more than	to the higher
share in the first or chief resurrection. (Rev. 20:6)	74. The transformation of mind from earthly
65. One who is <i>more than</i> an overcomer is born	to heavenly is the beginning of the change of
of the spirit in the first	(Ephesians 1:13, 14)
Is it possible for one to fall away? (Heb. 6:6)	75. When clothed with the heavenly body, will
66. Does it take time to bend heavenward that	one be able to identify himself?
which naturally bends earthward? (Rom. 12:2)	76. Could Jesus realize the glory which he had
67. The words of the Apostle Paul (Romans	with the Father before becoming a man?
12:1,2) are not addressed to the unbelieving world,	(John 17:5)
but to	77. In order to be transformed, is it necessary
68. Is there a difference between a transformation	to submit ourselves to the will of God?
of <i>character</i> from a transformation of <i>nature</i> ?	The transforming influences lead to present
Transformation of nature results to those	and
who present their justified	Will the end result be glorious?
a living sacrifice during the age.	78. The treasure of the fully consecrated is in
The human is the first thing sacrificed.	The treasure of the fully consecrated is in the second call is
Only those who have presented themselves as	confined to the age. Will
and thus come to experience	both the human and the spiritual natures be glorious
the transformation can fully understand the change	in their perfection?
and transformation can fully understand the change	in their perfection?

It is this portion that God has elected to give to the human race. And what a glorious portion! Close your eyes for a moment to the scenes of misery and woe, degradation and sorrow that yet prevail on account of sin, and picture before your mental vision the glory of the perfect earth. Not a stain of sin mars the harmony and peace of a perfect society; not a bitter thought, not an unkind look or word; love, welling up from every heart, meets a kindred response in every other heart, and benevolence marks every act. There sickness shall be no more; not an ache nor a pain, nor any evidence of decay—not even the fear of such things. Think of all the pictures of comparative health and beauty of human form and feature that you have ever seen, and know that perfect humanity will be of still surpassing loveliness. The inward purity and mental and moral perfection will stamp and glorify every radiant countenance. Such will earth's society be; and weeping bereaved ones will have their tears all wiped away, when thus they realize the resurrection work complete.—Revelation 21:4