

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER WE DIE

INTERMEDIATE STATE

Parallel existence

between PHYSICAL and SPIRIT REALM

Physical Space

We exist in a tangible 3 dimensional world governed by the law of physics and accessible through our physical senses. It's the world of objects, matter and measurable dimensions like sizes, distances, and interactions between matters that we can see, touch, hear, smell and taste. We experience passage of time and event, gravity, motions and forces that comes with the properties of matters.

Spiritual Space

Spirit space in the absence of physical matter can be assumed to be intangible, immaterial, does not possess any physical properties and can not be perceived with the physical senses that we have. We can only by faith have an anthropocentric glimpse and believe what the Scripture has revealed to us,

GODJESUS

Divine Council

Spirit Realm

Angels....etc

Thrones,

Principalities

Dominions

Parallel existence

Spiritual beings

Paradise

PHYSICAL REALM

Hades

Tartarus

GOD

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PHYSICAL REALM

SPIRIT REALM

With clear physical division

No geographical division-
(great chasm – beyond
human experience)

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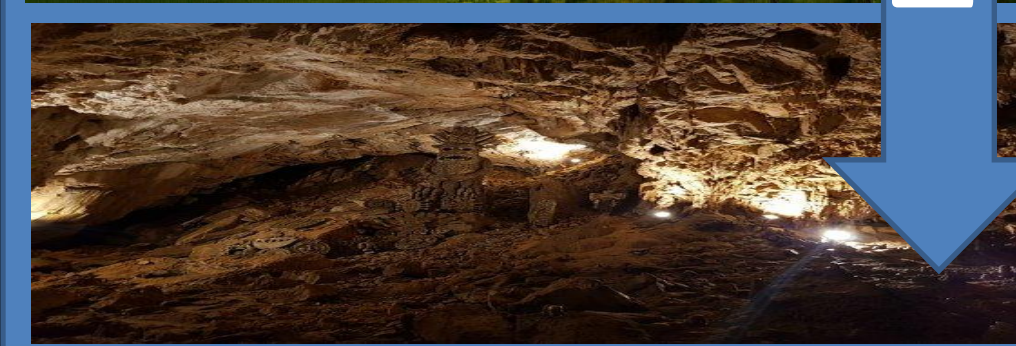
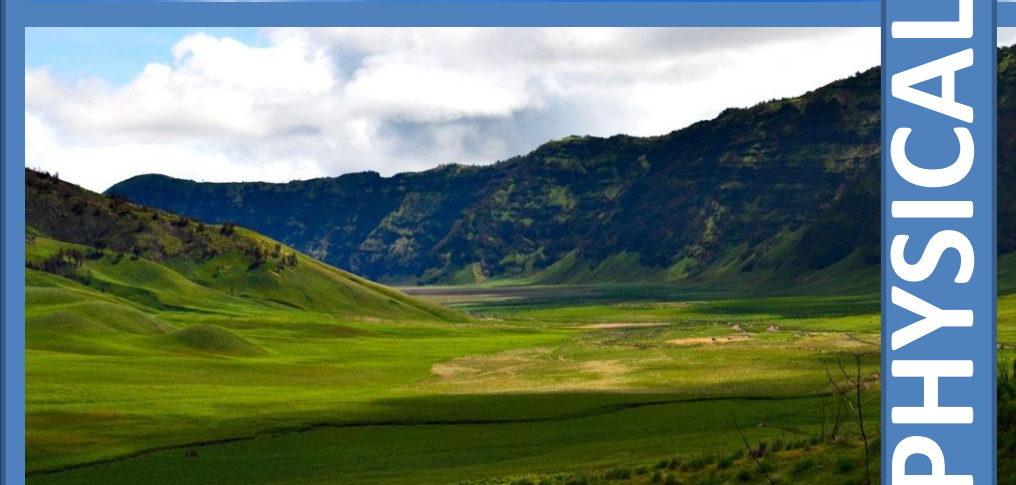
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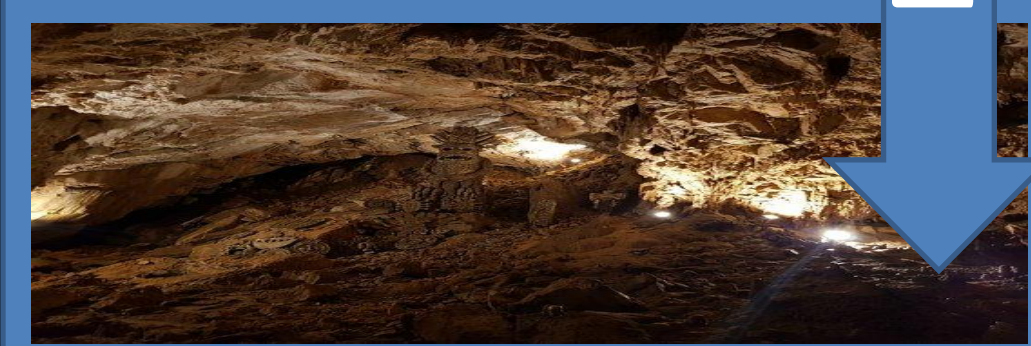
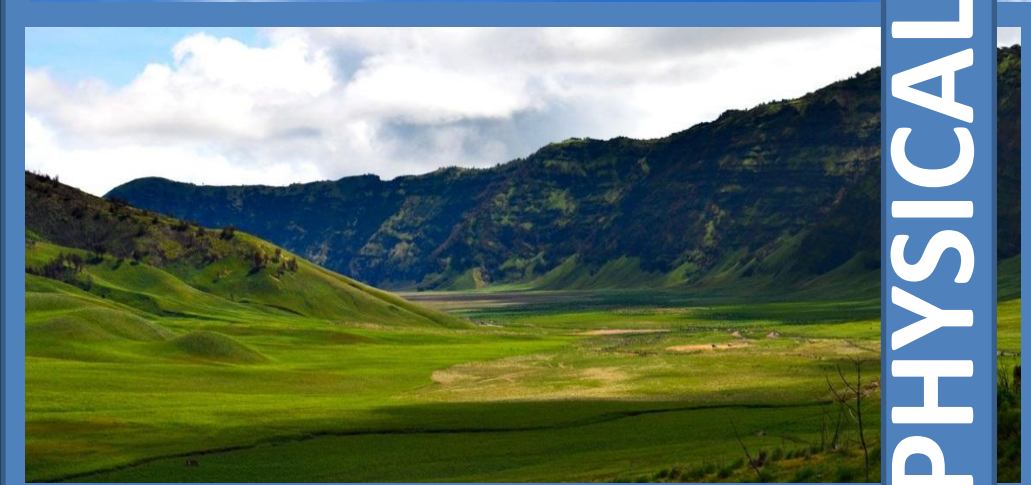
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PHYSICAL REALM

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Enoch
Elijah
Jesus
Paul
John
Lazarus etc.

Chrones,
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Angels....etc

Crossings between both realms

Michael
Gabriel
Angels
Demons
Devil etc.

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SPIRIT REALM

Crossing between Physical Space and Spirit Space

Scripture tells us about instances where human and spiritual beings crossing between these spaces from human perspective. Still human are incapable of conceptualizing the reality of spiritual space in spiritual world perspective.

In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus about a great chasm, we can only imagined it to be a great divide between two existences. In the absence of geographic boundary in spirit/immateral world, there is no GPS location. How that is so is beyond human investigation.

In the graphic presentation before this slide, the entities of spaces in the spirit world is represented by pattern of different colors. Unleash your own imagination but stay within the scope of Scripture.

Old heaven and earth

2 peter 3 :10 The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.

Fusion of physical and spirit realms
at the end of this age

Rev 2:1 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.

NEW HEAVEN / EARTH

Merging of “Old Physical World” and the “ Spirit World” in the “New Heaven and New Earth”

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1 Cor 13:14 If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.

Malachi 4 “For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up,” Says the LORD of hosts, “That will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But to you who fear My name, The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; And you shall go out And grow fat like stall-fed calves. ³ You shall trample the wicked, For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet On the day that I do *this*,” Says the LORD of hosts.

Our Final Destinations

New
heaven
and earth

Thrones,

Future

Lake of fire



INTERMEDIATE STATE ?

1. Journey / lay over – how long?
2. Physical / Spirit Consciousness?
3. Arrival time?
4. Where is the final destination?



GOD

JESUS

At death for believers

SPIRIT : to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord,

BODY: "For dust you are, And to dust you shall return."

Thrones,
Principalities
Dominions

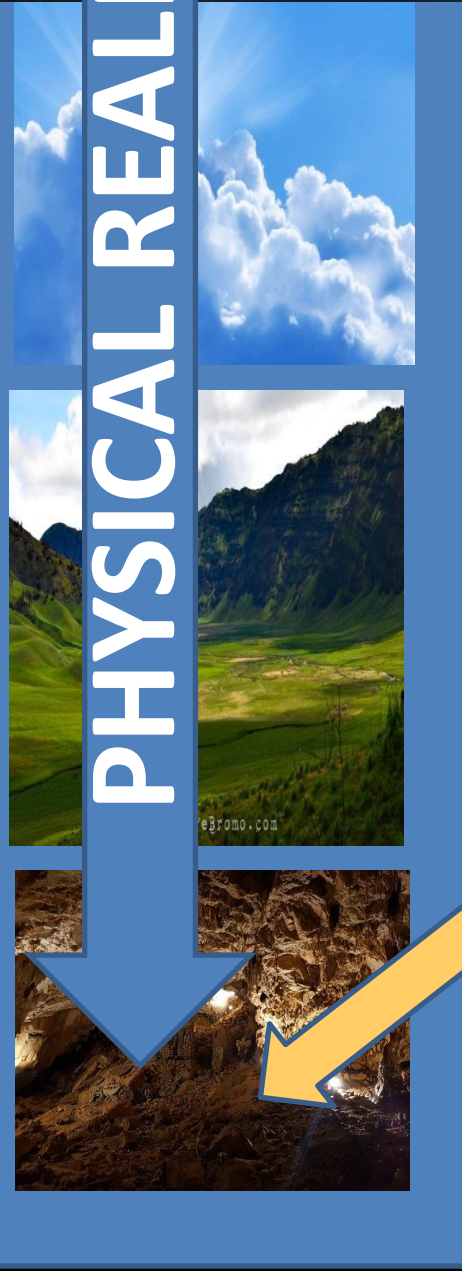
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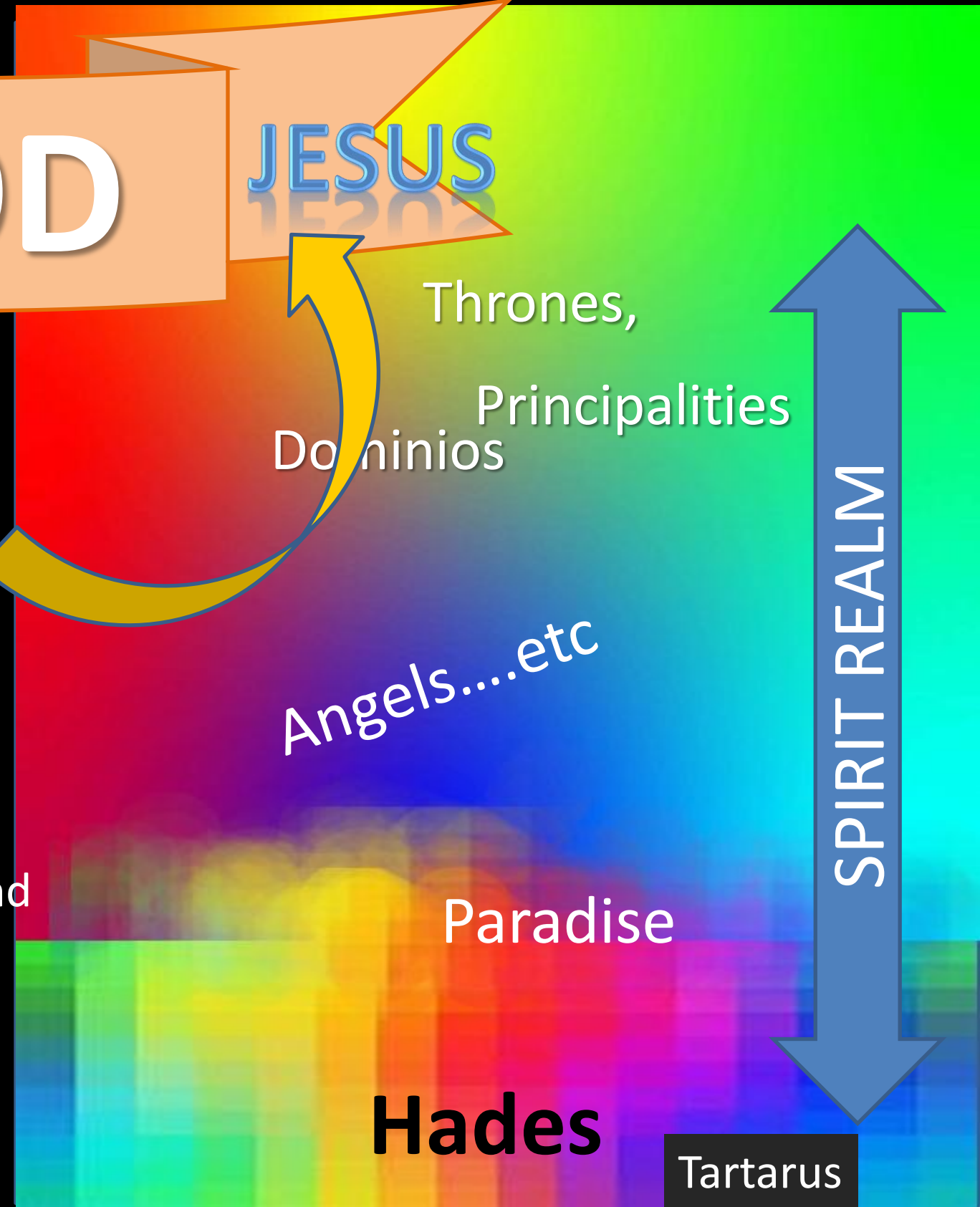
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PHYSICAL REALM



SPIRIT REALM



Consciousness



Indivisible unity

Brain/Mind

Spirit

Physical

Receptor : Conduit to God:
Understanding: wisdom:
Identity, sanctified memories

Gen. 2:7 Job 32:8

Pro 20:27 John 4:24 1Cor 2:11

Ecc 12:7 Ro 8:16

Receptor : Flesh

5 Senses,

Emotions

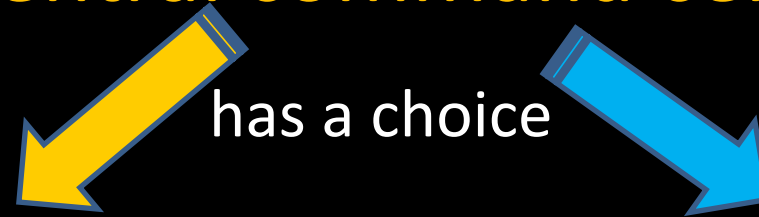
Brain Memories

Muscle memories

MIND

Brain and spirit

(Central command center)



1Cor 2 :11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him?

Ro 8:11 He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

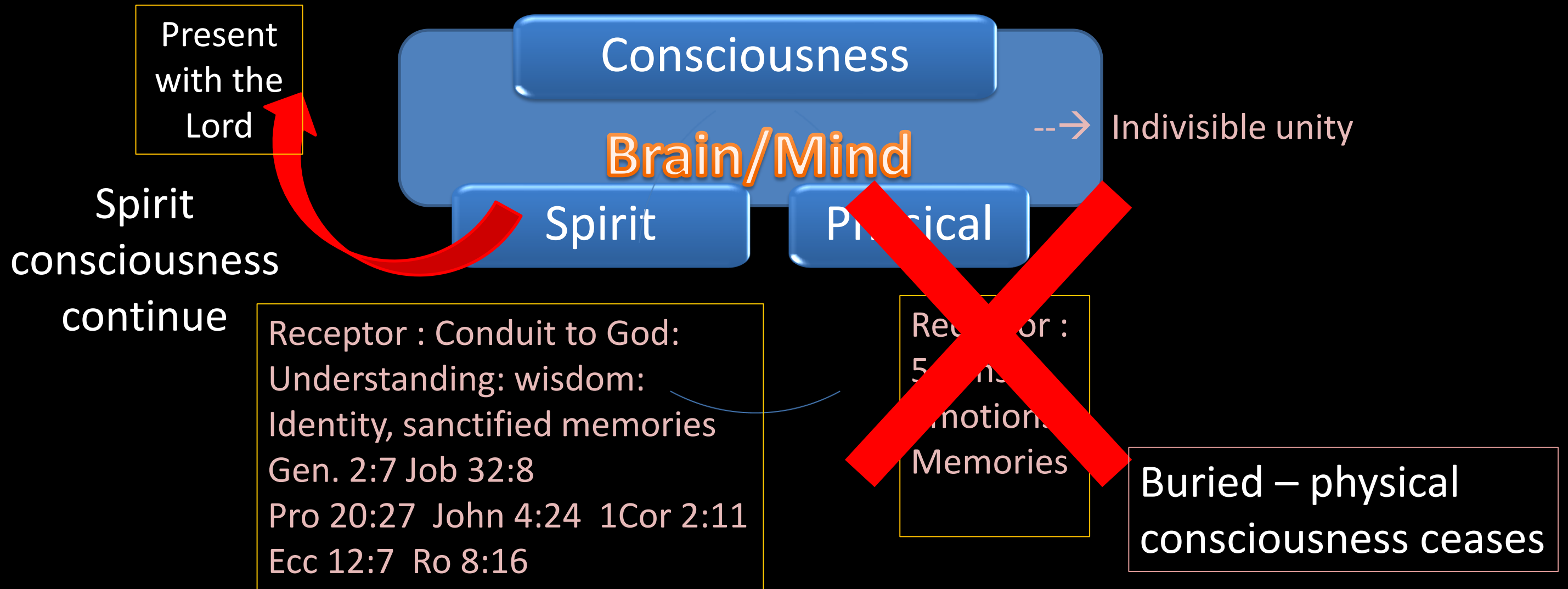
Eph 4:30 And do not **grieve the Holy Spirit** of God, by whom you were sealed for **the** day of redemption.

Gal 5:16 I say then: **Walk in the Spirit**, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Gal 5:17 For the **flesh** lusts **against** the **Spirit**, and the **Spirit** **against** the **flesh**; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

Ro 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind,

At death



Brain functions stop, what is in the spirit goes with the spirit to be with Jesus. What is in physical goes to the ground. Will be transformed and cloth with incorruption at resurrection.

Intermediate state

At DEATH

Believers goes to be with Christ.
Posses spiritual consciousness
State of profound joy and bliss in
God's presence.

1 Cor 2:14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

Spiritual Realm

1Cor 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.

Unbelievers goes to Hades.
Spiritual anguish, separation from
God ...torment surpassing anything
experienced on earth

(parable of the rich man /'Paul's writings)

FOR HOW LONG is the layover?

Time on earth continue to be measured by clock. Passage of time in spirit realm can not be equated with physical clock. Ps 90:4 2Peter 3:8.

Perception of the passage of time in blissfulness and in anguish differs. You decide.

Paul, Peter, John etc... are dead for over 2,000 years. If we die today, we all will wake up at the same moment in resurrection. I'm sure if we compare notes, we all would feel that we would have been with Christ in paradise too short a time. (a week? .. Nuh! shorter !)

FOR HOW LONG is the layover? - - illustration

I went through back surgery 10 years ago. The surgeon asked me to count to 10 when I was wheeled in to surgical room. I counted “1...2.....” then I was interrupted by a nurse. “Mr. Tan .. Wake up wake up “ . I opened my eyes and asked... my surgery...” “its done” the nurse assured me. “what ????? How long?” “3 hours, she said.” All I felt was blissful moment because of anesthesia. Too short, I didn’t think it lasted over 2 minutes...maybe less”

Perception of physical time lapse depends on our physical consciousness

Identity ? - - illustration

Why Jesus's follower didn't recognize Him at once after resurrection? First fruit / glorified body

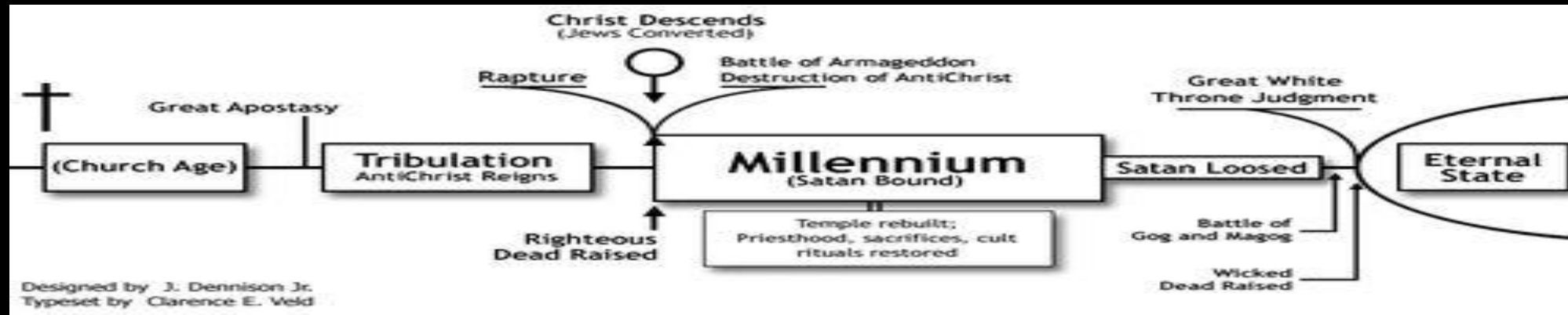
2 King 5 :14 So he (Naaman- the leprouse) went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

Naaman wouldn't have recognized his own new skin...

Praise God ! .. I will be so handsome that no one will recognize me that day. But... you will, after we talk a while ... You will know that I'm still the same person when we played basketball together in high school.

The physical righteous/sanctified memories that we left behind in our brain when we died (buried) will be restored at resurrection 1Cor 15:23

Premillennialism 1000 years layover on earth with glorified body



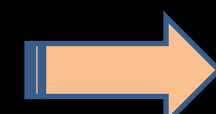
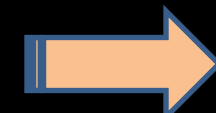
Postmillennialism. No layover – wakes up in new heaven and earth



Amillennialism No layover – wakes up in new heaven and earth



A NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH



Premillennialism

Postmillennialism.

Amillennialism

Whatever views, we'll all get there...in no time.

How long? no one is allowed to bring their wristwatch slipping into the spirit realm. It wouldn't work anyway. 😊

2 Peter 3: 13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

Rev 21 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,”^[a] for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband

Ladies and gentlemen...
welcome to New Heaven
and New Earth, your final
destination.

For your local time check..
Its now eternity.

The weather is Godly,
perpetual Sonshine



Rev 22:4 Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

*1Cor 2:9 “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,
Nor have entered into the heart of man
The things which God has prepared for those
who love Him.”*