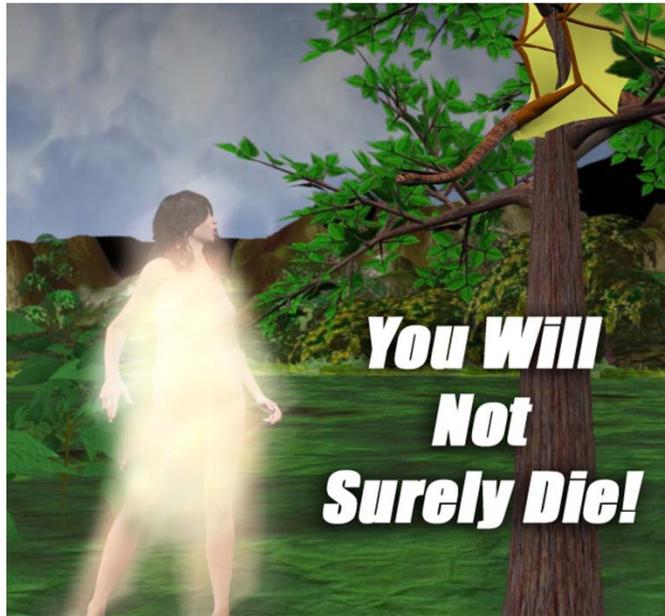
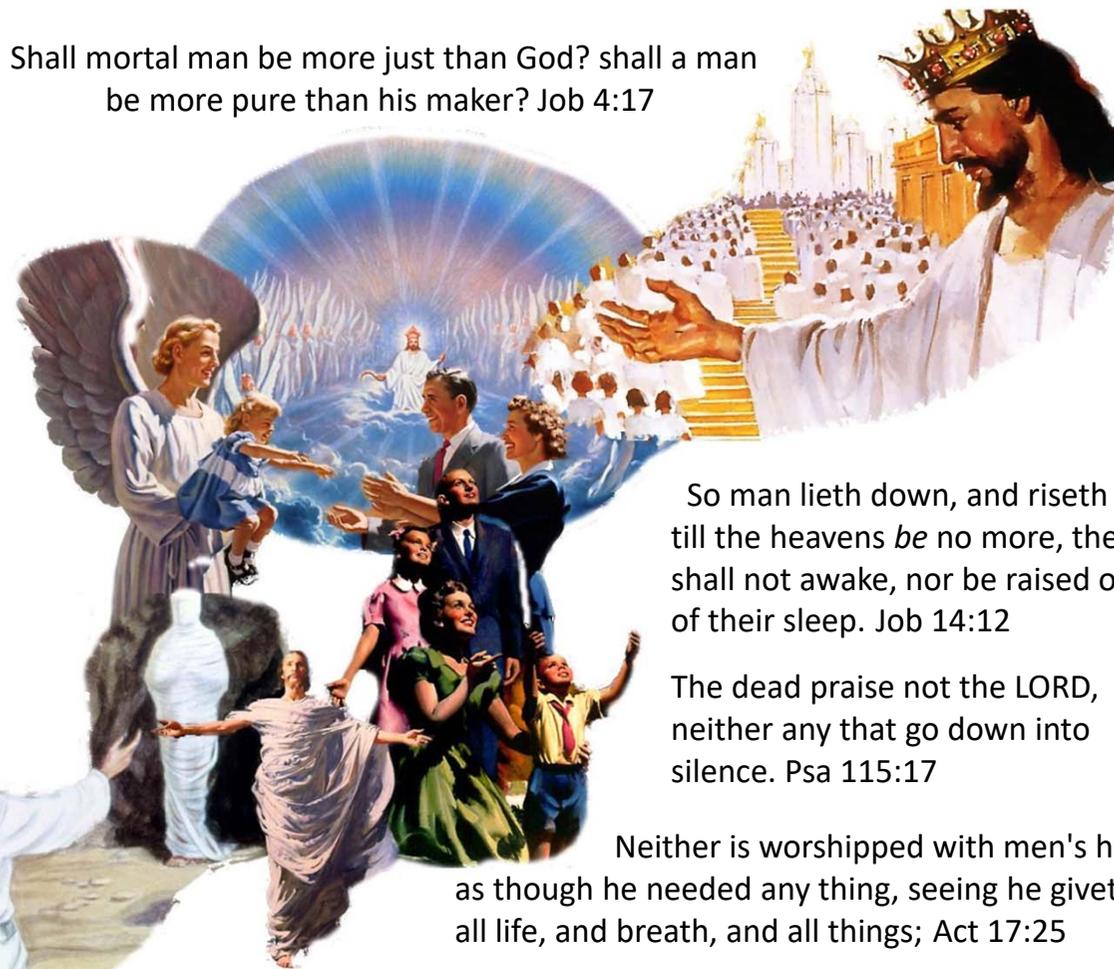


Attack on Soul Mortality

Creating a false life source



Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker? Job 4:17



So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens *be* no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep. Job 14:12

The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence. Psa 115:17

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; Act 17:25

And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. Gen 2:7

For the living know that they shall die; but the dead do not know anything. Ecc 9:5
And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth. Mar 5:39

Men *and* brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Act 2:29

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Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: John 11:25



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AIM:	To show Satan has attacked the Bible teaching that man is mortal and totally dependent on God for life.
THEME:	Christ as Creator and “The Life”.
OUTLINE:	<p>From the very inception of Sin, Satan has taught us that “we shall not surely die” (Gen 3:5) if we disobey God. This suggests that human beings have some form of life source or power in themselves. This teaching entered the Christian church as the doctrine of the immortality of the soul. A belief in the immortality of the soul is one of the key pillars of Babylon. It suggests a level of independence from God that either allows us to ignore God and do our own thing or seek to obey God’s requirements with the power we have inside of us. A belief in immortality is directly linked to a belief in salvation by works, because it suggests we have power inherent in us to add to God’s work of salvation. In a similar way, the doctrine of immortality also contributes to the belief in value by performance and achievement. The combination of the doctrine of immortality and the rejection of the Sabbath commandment is a deadly combination that renders the teaching of righteousness by faith almost powerless. It helps force the issue into a performance/non performance debate and confuses the wonder of Christ in you the hope of glory.</p> <p>The doctrine of immortality forces God to appear as completely unjust and heartless. Man supposedly has a power that not even God can destroy and so those who reject Him must burn in an agonising fire for all eternity. This is not justice, this is evil beyond comprehension. Will the saints hold their eyes and close their ears to block out the sheiks of the wicked as they roll in the flames? The thought is utterly repulsive and Satanic. Since many Christians actually believe that God will do this to people, they are in danger of reflecting the god they worship – A heartless ruthless dictator. Heaven becomes a fire escape and their religion is dominated by fear. How many have rejected this false god as the God of the Bible, only eternity will tell.</p>
NOTES:	<p>Death and the Judgment It is important to understand what happens when a person dies for many reasons. One reason is that if a person goes to heaven when they die, then they have received their reward before they are judged. This would be very embarrassing if the person when judged was found to be guilty and then had to be destroyed! No one receives their reward until Jesus comes Rev 22:12. A correct understanding of death helps to give a correct understanding of judgment.</p> <p>Death and the Second Coming The Bible calls the Second Coming “The blessed hope.” Titus 2:13. It is the point at which the whole family meet together for the first time. Christians yearn for this time and long for Jesus to come back. If a person believes that they go straight to heaven when they die, then the Second Coming means very little and is not the blessed hope. Death becomes the blessed hope! How absurd this is.</p> <p>Death and the Cross Those who believe the soul to be immortal and that sinners must be punished forever are faced with a big problem concerning the cross. Jesus paid the penalty of death for us on the cross. If the penalty for sin is eternal punishment in hell then Jesus should still be there paying that price! Again this is absurd! Jesus tasted death for every man. He paid the price in full.</p> <p>Life in the Son The Bible says that those who have Jesus have life and those who do not have Jesus do not have life. 1 John 5:12. Life means to be conscious. If people are going to be in hell forever, then they are alive. Granted, it would not be pleasant, but it is still life. It makes a mockery of the Bible. It suggests that we can have life without Christ.</p>
FURTHER STUDY:	<p><i>The Great Controversy</i>, Chapter 33 – “The First Great Deception”. <i>The Conditionalist Faith of Our Fathers</i>, Volumes 1&2, by Leroy Froom. Truth For These Times Study No.26, 27</p>