

## Earth and Heaven

### Psalm 148:12-15

- 12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children.  
13 Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above **the earth and heaven**.  
14 And He has exalted the horn of His people, The praise of all His saints—  
Of the children of Israel, A people near to Him. Praise the Lord!

### The Proper Name Yahweh

**Exodus 3:13-15** Then Moses said to God, “Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they say to me, ‘What is His name?’ what shall I say to

them?” 14And God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” (אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה) And He said, “Thus you

shall say to the children of Israel, ‘I AM (אֶהְיֶה) has sent me to you.’” 15Moreover God said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: ‘The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.’”

**Genesis 15:7** Then He said to him, “I am **the Lord** (אֲנִי יְהוָה), who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.”

**Genesis 15:7 (NIV)** He also said to him, “I am **the LORD**, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”

### Plant/herb of the field

Genesis 1:11-12 Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth”; and it was so. 12And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

### Living Creature (Life/Breath Neshamah, Nishma)

**Genesis 1:20; 21; 24; 30** Then God said, “Let the waters abound with an abundance of **living creatures** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה), and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens.”

**Genesis 1:21** So God created great sea creatures and **every living thing** (כָּל-נֶפֶשׁ הַחַיָּה) that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

**Genesis 1:24** Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the **living creature** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה) according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind”; and it was so.

**Genesis 1:30** “Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is **life** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה), I have given every green herb for food”; and it was so.

**1 Kings 17:17** Now it happened after these things that the son of the woman who owned the house became sick. And his sickness was so serious that there was **no breath** left in him

(לֹא-נֹתַרְהָבוּ נְשָׁמָה:).

### **Breath (Ruach)**

**Genesis 6:17** “And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is **the breath of life**; everything that is on the earth shall die.

**Genesis 7:15** And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which is **the breath of life**.

**Genesis 7:21-22** And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. 22All in whose nostrils was **the breath of the**

**spirit of life** (כָּל אֲשֶׁר נְשָׁמַת-רוּחַ חַיִּים), all that was on the dry land, died.

Acts 17:25 (NKJV) 25“Nor is He worshiped with men’s hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath(*pnoe*) , and all things.

### **Uniqueness of Man**

1. Consultation (let us make man...) Gen 1:26

2. God did not just speak, but **formed from dust** Gen 2:7

3. **God breathed into man** (something different – a rational and immortal soul) Gen 2:7

--yet it is not found in the word Nephesh or Nephesh Hayiyim.

--What about Ruah? Gen 7:22 used of man and beast?

4. **God’s image** – knowledge of God and perfect righteousness and holiness Gen 1:26-27

5. **Ruler of creation** Gen 1:26-28

### **Body and Soul**

**Matthew 10:28** “And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body(ψυχήν καὶ σῶμα) in hell.

**Matthew 16:25-26** “For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

### **Good and Evil**

**Deuteronomy 1:39** ‘Moreover your little ones and your children, who you say will be victims, who today have no knowledge of good and evil, they shall go in there; to them I will give it, and they shall possess it.

**2 Samuel 19:35** “I am today eighty years old. Can I discern between the good and bad? Can your servant taste what I eat or what I drink? Can I hear any longer the voice of singing men and singing women? Why then should your servant be a further burden to my lord the king?

**1 Kings 3:9** “Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?”

**2 Samuel 14:17** “Your maidservant said, ‘The word of my lord the king will now be comforting; for as the angel of God, so is my lord the king in discerning good and evil. And may the Lord your God be with you.’

**Isaiah 7:15-16** “Curds and honey He shall eat, that He may know to refuse the evil and choose the good. 16“For before the Child shall know to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land that you dread will be forsaken by both her kings.