

FEAR:
Body and Soul and the Problem of Suffering
2 Corinthians 4:16-18

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1. We must understand the essential nature of _____.

- a. The materialist view of man says that what we can sense and measure is all that there is. Therefore immaterial things like the _____ do not exist.

"A materialist believes that the physical brain is the part of us that thinks, feels, and makes choices. He believes that our thoughts, feelings, and choices depend _____ upon the balance of our brain's chemicals. A materialist would say that what we experience as consciousness is simply part of the chemical activity that takes place in the brain."

- Elyse Fitzpatrick & Laura Hendrickson, M.D.

- b. The biblical view of man is that man is made up of _____ parts - the inner man and the outer man.

1) The inner man (or the heart) is the "real _____"; it causes, directs, shapes and shepherds our behavior.

2) The outer man is the _____ part of man.

2. The biblical view of the nature of man allows us to distinguish between _____ and sickness.

- a. *"Any behavior that does not conform to biblical commands or any behavior that transgresses biblical prohibitions proceeds from the heart and is _____." - Edward Welch*

- b. *"Any behavior that is more accurately called a _____ proceeds from the body and is sickness or suffering." - Edward Welch*

3. There is a close _____ between the inner man and the outer man.

- a. The condition of the inner man can affect the physical _____ of the outer man.

- b. The physical health of the outer man can affect the _____ man.

4. Perseverance in suffering requires that we:

- a. Think often of the _____ work of the Spirit of God in the inner man.

- b. Give attention to understanding the biblical view of _____.

- c. Give attention to understanding the glorious reality of _____.