

Lost in Translation: Did Adam Have an Immortal Soul?

KJV Genesis 2:7 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*.

נִשְׁמַת חַיִּים Nishmat-Chayyim “breath of life”

נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה Nephesh Chayah “living breather”

Gen. 1:30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the **breath of life**, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.

Gen. 7:15 They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the **breath of life**.

Gen. 7:22 everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the **breath of life** died.

Gen. 1:20 And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of **living creatures**, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens.”

Gen. 1:24 And God said, “Let the earth bring forth **living creatures** according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so.

Ecclesiastes 3:19 For the fate of the sons of men and the fate of beasts is the same; as one dies, so dies the other. *They all have the same breath*, and man has no advantage over the beasts; for all is vanity. ²⁰ *All go to one place; all are from the dust, and all turn to dust again. [?Who knows whether the spirit of man goes upward and the spirit of the beast goes down to the earth?]*

Genesis 3:19 You are dust, and to dust you shall return.