The Threefold Nature of Man
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The outer circle stands for the "body" of man, the middle for the "soul," and the inner for the spirit.

In the outer circle the "body" is shown as touching the Material world through the five senses of "sight," "smell," "hearing," "taste" and "touch."

The soul uses the "Five Senses" of the body as its agents in the exploration of the Material world, and for its self expression and communion with the outside world.

The "Gates" to the soul are "imagination, "conscience," "memory," "reason" and the "affections." The "Gate of Imagination" of the soul corresponds to the "Gate of Sight" of the body, being the "eye" by which the soul sees. The "Gate of Conscience" corresponds to the "Gate of Smell," by which the soul detects the presence of good and evil. The "Gate of Memory" corresponds to the "Gate of Hearing," by which the soul recalls what it heard. The "Gate of Reason" corresponds to the "Gate of Taste," permitting the soul to compare facts as the taste compares foods. The "Gate of the Affections" corresponds to the "Gate of Touch," being the hand by which the soul feels the person of the one it loves. The Spirit receives impressions of outward and material things through the soul and body. The "Sense Faculties" of the spirit are the "Spiritual faculties" of "Faith," "Hope," "Reverence," "Prayer," and "Worship."

Before Adam disobeyed God, the "spirit" of man was illuminated from Heaven.
Reference: Dispensational Truth by Clarence Larkin
When Adam disobeyed God, sin closed the window of the spirit and pulled down the curtain, and the "chamber of the spirit" became a Death Chamber, and remains so until the "Life" and "Light" giving power of the Holy Spirit floods that chamber with the "Life" and "Light" power of the NEW LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS. We see then why the "natural" man cannot understand spiritual things. He cannot understand them until his spiritual nature has been renewed.

But the spirit of the Natural man is not only darkened, his "Will" stands as a "guard" at the door, and prevents the entrance of the Holy Spirit, and it is not until the "Will" surrenders through the power of the "Sword of the Spirit," the "Word of God," that the Holy Spirit can enter and take up his abode in the "spirit" of man.

The battlefield of “Good” and “Evil,” “Light” and “Darkness” is in the “soul” of man.

There is a struggle between the flesh and the Spirit (Rom. 7:18-19; Gal. 5:16-18).

Satan wants your soul lost for eternity and God wants you to be His child and a citizen of His Kingdom forever.

It is up to you which one wins.
QUESTIONS

1. The outer circle stands for the __________ of man.

2. The middle circle stands for the __________ of man.

3. The inner circle stands for the __________ of man.

MATCHING

4. Sight – Eye Gate ______  A. Affection

5. Smell – Nose Gate ______  B. Memory

6. Hearing – Ear Gate _____  C. Reason

7. Taste – Mouth Gate _____  D. Conscience

8. Touch – Feel Gate ______  E. Imagination

QUESTIONS

9. How does the soul use the “Five Senses?”
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10. The "Gate of _____________" of the soul corresponds to the "Gate of Sight" of the body, being the "___________" by which the soul __________.
11. The "Gate of ______________" corresponds to the "Gate of Smell," by which the soul ________ the presence of ___________ and ___________.

12. The "Gate of ______________" corresponds to the "Gate of Hearing," by which the soul ________ what it ________.

13. The "Gate of ______________" corresponds to the "Gate of Taste," permitting the soul to ________ facts as the taste compares ___________.

14. The "Gate of the ______________" corresponds to the "Gate of Touch," being the hand by which the soul ________ the person of the one it loves.

15. How does the Spirit receive impressions of outward and material things?
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16. The "Sense Faculties" of the spirit are the “Spiritual Faculties” of
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17. When Adam disobeyed God, ________ closed the window of the spirit and pulled down the curtain, and the "chamber of the spirit" became a ________ Chamber.
18. What can change the Death Chamber?

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19. Where is the battlefield of “Good” and “Evil?”

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20. Who determines the winner?

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21. What are the three kinds of people described in 1 Corinthians 2:14-3:3?
   a) ____________________________________________
   b) ____________________________________________
   c) ____________________________________________