Man

- I. The biblical study of man—anthropology.
 - 1. The 'natural' man (1 Cor. 2:14).
 - 2. What constitutes a human: body, spirit, and soul (1 Thes. 5:23).
- **II.** The earthly human <u>body</u> is a temporary dwelling place for a person.
 - 1. Hence the 'person' is finite: limited in time and space.
 - 2. The human body is characterized as clothes/tent (2 Cor. 5:1-4).
 - 3. It is possible for a human to have three bodies:
 - 1) An earthly (v.1).
 - 2) An intermediate, or temporary body awaiting the Rapture (v.2).
 - 3) A glorified body (v.4).
 - 4. The "I" is the person, not the body.
 - 5. The person dwells in his body.
 - 6. The human body is characterized as a tent (2 Pet. 1:13).
 - 7. The earthly body is subject to death—life cycle (Heb. 9:27).
 - 8. The earthly body dies, not the person (Jam. 2:26).
 - 9. The body dies when the human spirit leaves the body (Jam. 2:26; Mt. 27:50).
 - 10. The body dies when the human soul leaves the body (Acts 5:5, 10; Acts 2:27 *cf.* Lu. 23:43).
 - 11. Physical death is the separation of the soul and spirit from the body—the body dies.
- **III.** The human spirit is immaterial
 - 1. Although, ethereal, (without substance, intangible, incorporeal), at the same time it is real.
 - 2. The human spirit is finite, limited to the body.
 - 3. The human spirit is the person's realm of rational thinking (1 Cor. 2:11).
 - 4. The human spirit is that which makes humans different from animals (Jam. 3:6-9).
 - ❖ Note: the Scofield note on man, page 1270, is a good study guide, if you cross out one word "trinity". Man is tripart and does <u>not</u> in any way represent the relationship of the Godhead: three Persons, one shared essence. Man is one person, three parts.