

## Do Animals have a Soul?

In a chapter covering the development of the souls of nature Jesus tells us what happens to animals after their death. The basis is that animals also have an energetic soul but no energetic spirit of higher level. That is why they are restricted to their instinct based existence. They cannot transgress it and learn to speak or take exams. As opposed to humans, they do not have a free will. But when they die, only their body dies. Their energetic soul does not.

This principle is valid for all animals, from the smallest to the highest. Starting with the most primitive animals like plankton, worms etc. their souls are assembled into higher life forms under the control of God. Nothing is lost. This process goes on all the way to the most intelligent forms. If higher mammals, birds and domesticated animals die, several animal souls are united and become a part of a human soul. This nascent human soul is then also complemented by elements from their parents and those from other parts of the universe.

Here is the reason for all the different characteristics of humans, their natural behaviour whether wild or peaceful and docile, whether contesting, unbelieving or ready to learn as much as possible. Everyone is unique.

If people would know the fate of animals and their soul they would surely treat animals better.

Let us look at a few paragraphs of the New Revelation in this context.

Great Gospel of John [GGJ.10:180,15] On this occasion we saw a fleeing gazelle that was chased by a jackal. In a short time the jackal caught up with the gazelle and provided itself with a morning meal, and at about 500 paces away from us, it did not take long before it completely finished the captured morning meal. Then it went very slowly further to the south to possibly capture also a midday meal.

[16] But quickly, quite high in the sky, an Arabian giant eagle saw the crawling jackal. As fast as an arrow it immediately let itself fall down upon it from its height, and despite its resistance it carried it high into the sky. Then it let it drop on a place that was very stony everywhere. This clearly meant the death of the jackal. The eagle came down quickly, convinced itself that the jackal was dead, grabbed it with its claws again and flew with it southwards to a favorable spot where the jackal and the gazelle that was eaten by it served the giant eagle for breakfast.

[GGJ.10:185,01] You saw how the giant eagle captured the jackal that had eaten the gazelle, how it flew high in the sky and then let it fall on a stony ground, on which occasion that predator met a certain death. But then it was grabbed by the eagle again and carried far to the south where the eagle had its nest and dwelling place between the rocks. When he arrived there with his prey, let it fall down again from a great height because it became already too heavy for him.

[2] But the prey hit a rock face and fell down in a rather deep canyon of the valley. Arab shepherds grazed their meager flocks in that canyon, and they soon saw how the giant eagle – a known enemy of the shepherds' flocks – flew lower and lower to pick up his prey that fell too deep in the valley.

[3] When the shepherds noticed this, they immediately stretched their bows and aimed at the lower flying eagle, and when, according to their calculations, he was low enough, they shot sharp arrows with their bows. And see, the eagle was well hit by 3 shepherds, fell down dead in the canyon and was taken by the shepherds as a true trophy of victory. But the poor jackal with his gazelle still lies between the low rocks where he fell down and will only be eaten after some time by other predatory birds.

[4] And now look there, before the door stands already a human form as of a child, and waits for a next procreation so that he can be taken up in the body of a mother. And behind this soul's appearance you can see a shining form. This is already the soul's spirit from the beyond that will take care that this soul who still belongs to the kingdom of nature will at a next opportunity be cared for in the body of a mother.

[5] And now you also saw how from the three last already completed animal levels – of course after many thousands of previous processes – a human soul appears.

[6] Out of this, a male child will be born into the world, who, if he will be well educated, can become a great man. The gentleness of the gazelle will rule his heart, the cleverness of the jackal his mind and the strength of the giant eagle his reason, his courage and his will. His character will be mostly warlike which he can however temper by his heart and his cleverness by which he can be a very useful person for no matter what kind of office. However, if he will be a soldier, he will be fortunate by his courage, but he also will be a prey for the weapons of war of others.

[7] But to let you see the child directly from his birth, already next year your earthly neighbor will be his father.

[8] Now you know everything. I have told and shown you something which I did not tell or show any other person in that manner till now. But let us now take some bread and wine again and strengthen us after this rather long explanation.”

## **The designation of created beings.**

[GGJ.06:53,06] But the forms already begin right from the stone level through the whole mineral kingdom up to the plant kingdom, through the whole plant kingdom to the animal kingdom and through this to man and are containers to take in life from God.

07] Every form corresponds to a certain intelligence. The simpler the form, the simpler and lesser is its indwelling intelligence. But the more developed and complex a form, the more intelligence you will find in it.

08] Take for instance a naked earthworm and you will easily see from its activity that its very limited life intelligence is quite in conformity with its form; whereas, if you look at the already quite complicated form of a bee, and by that you will find the much higher intelligence in the life form of this little animal. And so it is potentized right up to man.

09] Since these forms are only temporary receptacles and bearers of a more and more consolidating and constantly increasing intelligent life, and since this continually ascending life also according to measure and relation of greater unification of earlier simpler life-intelligences, leaves the earlier forms, it is certainly unimportant what happens in future to the lifeless form, which has been nothing else but an organic-mechanical, properly furnished shell for the purpose of the indwelling life intelligence. It does not make any difference to the great plan of the Creator whether these fishes are eaten by us or by other animals, and the ultimate purpose of life will nevertheless be unavoidably attained.

10] It is well known that the lifeless shells still contain some nutriment, and by the mutual devouring of the lifeless forms also what is nobler passes into another life, and so you see here on this earth through the whole large chain of created beings a continual struggle and an interchange of life up to man.

11] Even man's outer form, meaning his body, is of value only as long as it is occupied by the soul which alone is alive. Once the soul has matured, it leaves this body forever and the body is consumed. It then does not matter by whom or by what. Whatever substantial the body still possesses which belongs to the soul, is given back to the soul. Everything else passes as nourishment into a thousand other created life forms. There you have in a nutshell a thorough description of everything that worried you so much in vain."

Further text passages pertaining to this matter can be found in several volumes of the Great Gospel of John. Examples:

GGJ.04:117	A cluster of soul substance
GGJ.04:148-151	The deathly fall
GGJ.04:216	Domestic animals
GGJ.05:098	Self determination of the soul
GGJ.06:133	About the soul tenet
GGJ.06:165,11	Destination of animal souls
GGJ.10:021-022	The soul's substance
GGJ.10:184, 03	Function of combat in nature

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