Spiritual vs natural

Eternal Hope vs natural

- 1 Peter 1:1–2 (NKJV)
- 1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the pilgrims of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,
- 2 elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood
 of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.
- bounded by eternity past and future

Romans 15:16 that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

- 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17 (NKJV)
- 13 But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, **because God from the beginning chose you for salvation** through **sanctification by the Spirit** and **belief in the truth**, 14 to which He called you by our gospel, **for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ-. -(eternal future)**
- 15 Therefore, brethren, **stand fast** (stand firm as if bracing) and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle. 16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us **ever asting CONSOlation** and good hope by grace, **17 comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work.**
- 1 Thessalonians 5:8–10 (NKJV)
- 8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. Romans 8:24–25 hope which is seen is not hope
 - 24 For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees?
 - 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.
- 9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.
- 2 Thessalonians 1:9-10 (NKJV)
- 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.

truth = word of the Lord

- 1 Peter 1:22-25 (NKJV)
- 22 Since you have purified your souls **in obeying the truth through the Spirit** in **sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart**, not the limited love of favoritism
- 23having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,
- 24 because "All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away,
- 25 But the word of the Lord endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

Our natural bodies: 1 Corinthians 15:53-55 (NKJV)

- 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
- 54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."
- 55 "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?"

Our Conduct in this life: 1 Peter 2:11-12 (NKJV)

- 11 Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,
- 12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, **glorify God in the day of visitation**.
- 1 Peter 1:17-19 (NKJV)
- 17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your **stay** here in fear;
- 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with **corruptible things, like silver or gold**, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,
- 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.
- 1 Chronicles 29:15 (NKJV)
- 15 For we are aliens and pilgrims before You, As were all our fathers; Our days on earth are as a shadow, And without hope.

Psalm 39:12 (NKJV)

12 "Hear my prayer, O Lord, And give ear to my cry; Do not be silent at my tears; For I am a stranger with You, A sojourner, as all my fathers were. not a stranger to You

Hebrews 11:13-16 (NKJV)

- 13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.
- 14 For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland.
- 15 And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

 16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them-. -(eternal future)