

***Death Through Adam
Life Through Christ***

Romans 5:12-21



THE BOOK OF

ROMANS

Original Sin

Is God Unfair?



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is Through Grace
By Faith Alone

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The Basis of Salvation



Romans 5:1-11
Amazing Blessings of
Salvation by Faith Alone

- *Peace and Free Access to God*
- *Joy in Suffering Experiencing the Power of His Love*
- *Glorious Hope of the Future*

**All Because of the work of
one man on the cross?**

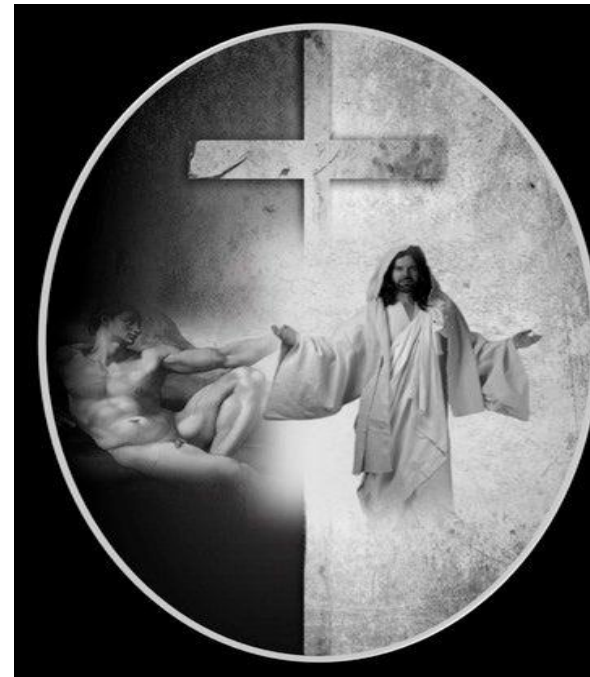


Romans 5:12-21 **The Basis of Salvation**

How could one man's sacrifice have brought so much benefits to so many?

Adam and Christ introduced, contrasted, and compared ('just as')

- *What one man did at one time cause all to sin*
- *What one man did at one time rescue all from sin*

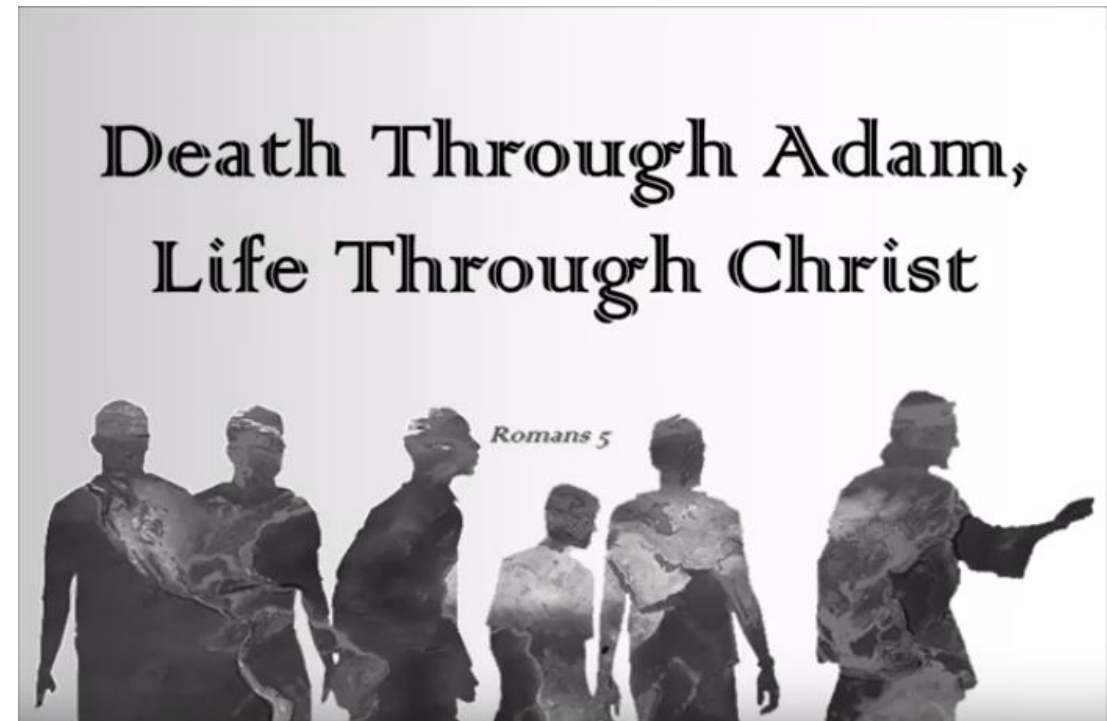


Adam
is a type of
Christ

V12-14 Adam and Christ Introduced

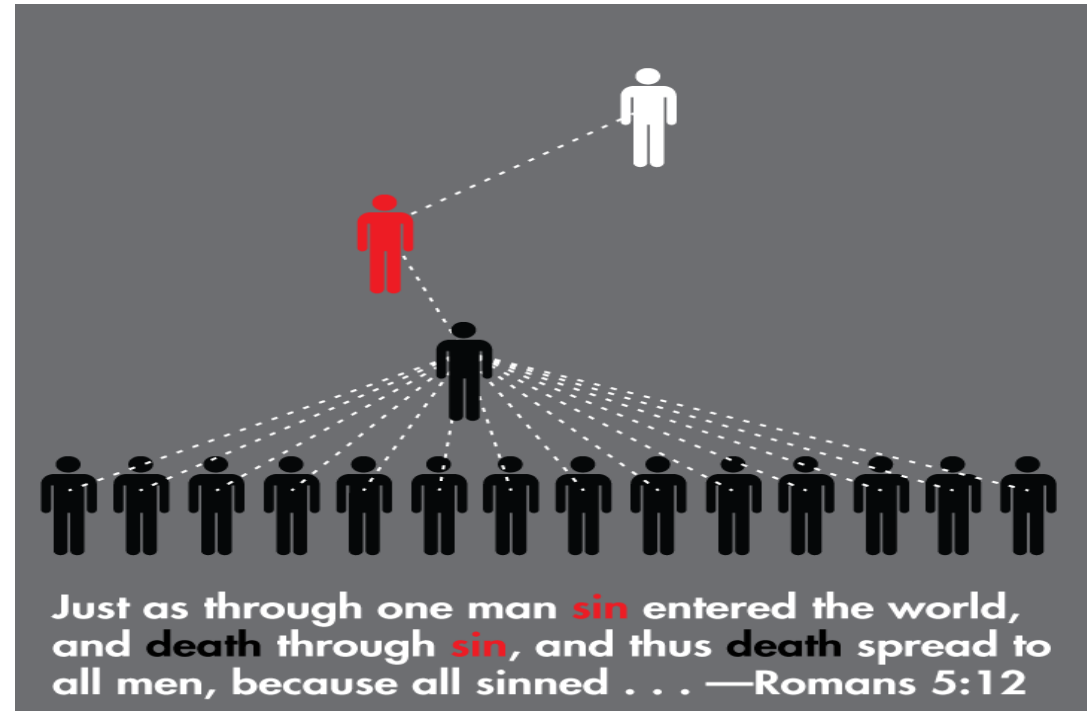
¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned— (continue onto V18b)

***Sin and death came into the world through one man
Death came to all men
because all sinned***



How does all men sinned through the one-man Adam?

- **Augustine – The original sin**
All sinned *in* and *with* Adam
We are all born in sin
- **Pelagius - All sinned *like* Adam**
Copying and repeating Adam's sin



Just as through one man **sin** entered the world, and death through **sin**, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned . . . —Romans 5:12

All sinned and died in and through Adam

¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

**Sin and death were
already in the world
before the law was given**



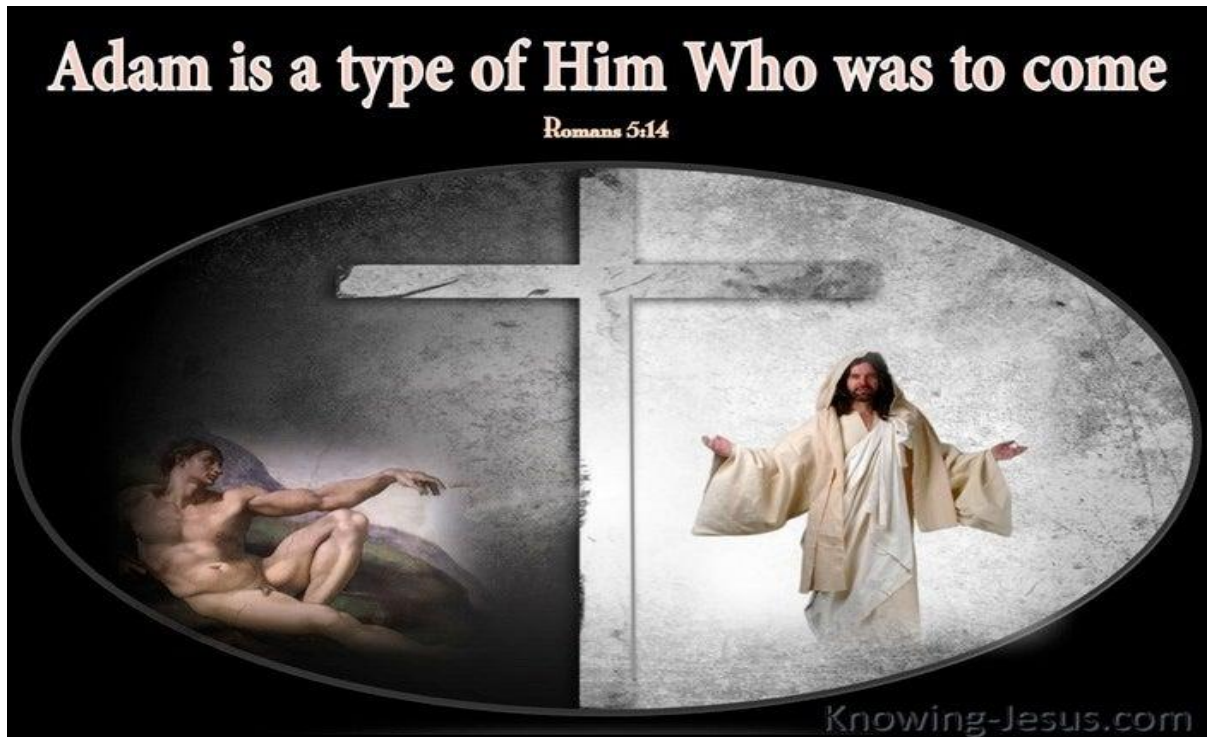
Adam a 'prefigure' **A foreshadow Christ**

*Adam, who is a pattern
of the one to come.*

Death Through Adam **Life Through Christ**

*Adam is the head of the
fallen people.*

*Christ is the head of the
redeemed people.*



In Adam - Death

In Christ - Life

- *All men sinned came through the one-man Adam who was there in the beginning.*
- *All men can be saved through the one-man Jesus who is the one to come.*



V15 -17 Adam and Christ Contrasted

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

Two Actions:

Trespasses vs. Gift of Grace



Two Results:

¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

Condemnation

vs.

Justification



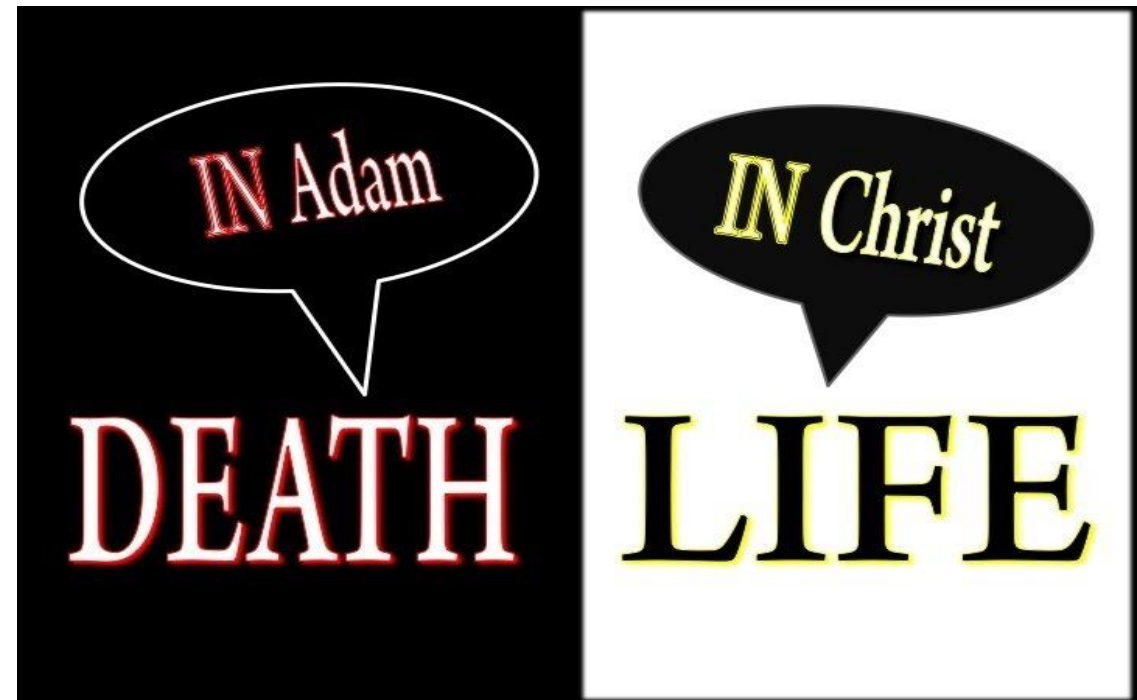
Two Effects: Two Reigns

¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Death Reigns

vs.

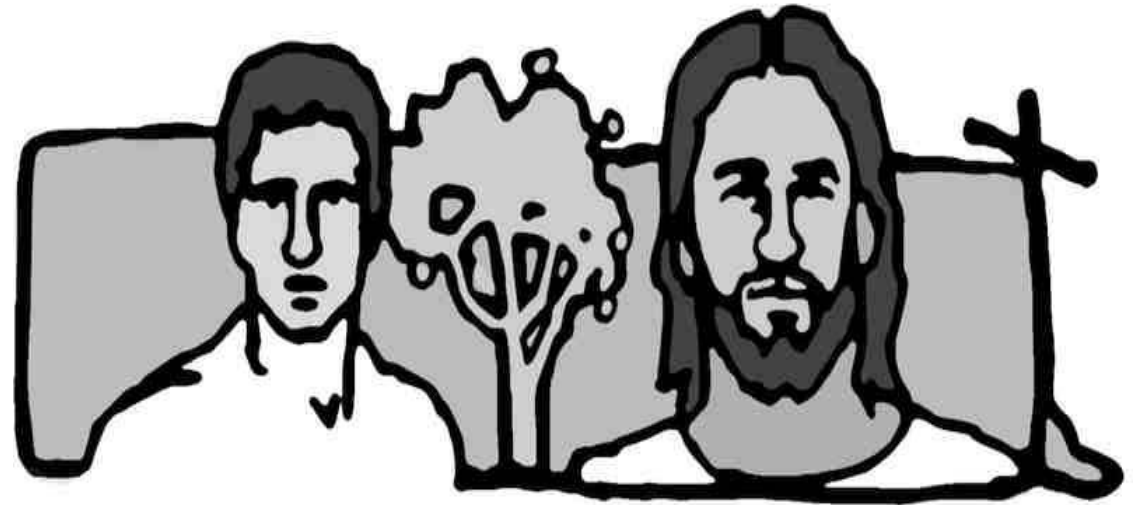
Life Reigns



V18-19 Adam and Christ Compared

¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Righteousness Reigns



Adam's trespasses brought condemnation and sin.

Christ's obedience brought justification and righteousness.

The Role of the Law

²⁰ The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more,

Revealing, Defining,



Displaying Sin.

**Sin increases
under Law**

**Grace Super
Abound!**



Grace Reigns

²¹ so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grace is more powerful than sin
Grace reigns supreme over sin and death



- *By Grace sins are forgiven through the cross*
- *Righteousness and eternal life bestowed*
- *Sinners shaped into image of Christ*
- *Thirsty souls satisfied with good things*
- *Death destroyed and the kingdom consummated*

Hebrews 4:16 *Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*



Original Sin

Is God Unfair?



- ***Adam brought death, Christ brought life***

Death Through Adam

Life Through Christ

- *Adam brought sin,
Christ brought righteousness*
- *Adam brought condemnation,
Christ brought justification*

Romans 5:12–21



God is the God of
'How Much More'!

Through one man Adam
we sin and die.

Through one man Jesus
we have righteousness and live.



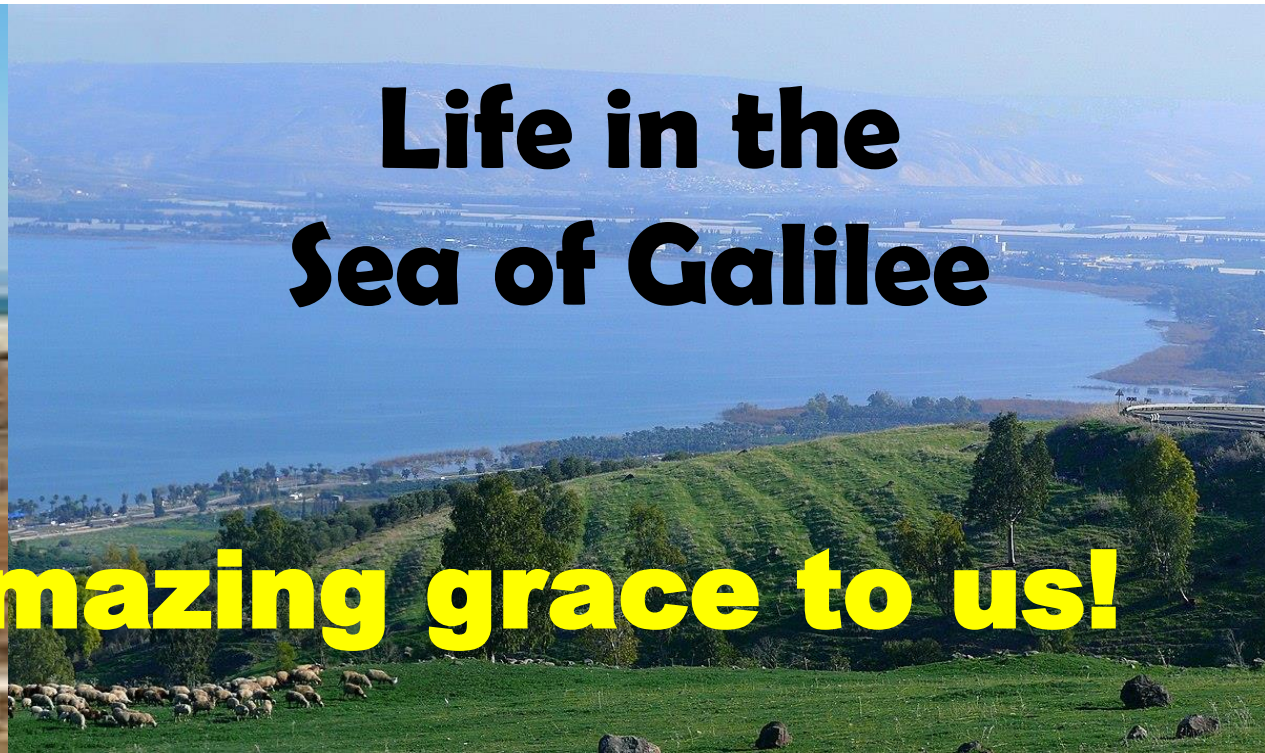
**We were in Adam,
Now we are in Christ**

***Dead and Useless vs.
Life and Fruitfulness***

Life in the Dead Sea



**Life in the
Sea of Galilee**



All because of His amazing grace to us!