

ROMANS

ADAM AND CHRIST: THE TWO FOCAL POINTS OF HISTORY

Romans 5:12-21

1.) THE ENTRANCE OF SIN AND DEATH THROUGH ADAM (ROM. 5:12-14)

- a.) Sin came by one man - Adam (Rom. 5:12) (Gen. 2:17; Ezk. 18:20)
- b.) Adam's nature of sin and death passed to all (Rom. 5:12) (Rom. 3:23, 6:23; Gal. 3:22; 1 Jn. 1:8; 1 King 8:46; Ps. 14:3, 53:3; Prov. 20:9; Isa. 53:6, 64:6)
 - 1.) Sin is the ultimate thing that can be done against God
 - 2.) Sin cost God the ultimate price (Jn. 15:13; Rom. 5:8) (Isa. 53:5, 12; 1 Cor. 15:3; 2 Cor. 2:5, 15; Gal. 1:4; Titus 2:14; Heb. 9:28; 1 Pet. 2:24, 3:18; 1 Jn. 3:5, 16)
- c.) The Proof: Sin and death existed before the law (Rom. 5:13)
(Gen. 3:19; Job. 21:26; Ps. 49:6-9, 104:29; Eccl. 12:7; Acts 13:36)
- d.) Adam's real importance: A type of Christ (Rom. 5:14)(Rom. 5:18-19; 1 Cor. 15:21-22, 45-49)
- e.) Sin is the cause of death
 - 1.) "The birth of a person, his entrance into the world, is the greatest imaginable blessing. Being born into this depraved and corruptible world is the only way a person can ever know the love of God and experience eternal life with God." (Eph. 2:7; Jn. 3:3; 2 Pet. 1:4)

Next: "The Counteraction - The Reversal - of sin and death by Christ."