

ROMANS

The Epistle Of Paul The Apostle Of The Romans

ADAM AND CHRIST:

THE TWO FOCAL POINTS OF HISTORY PT 2

Romans 5:12-21

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

2.) THE COUNTERACTION - THE REVERSAL - OF SIN AND DEATH BY CHRIST (ROM. 5:15-18)

- a.) Adam's sin brought death; God's gift brought righteousness (Rom. 5:15)
 - 1.) God has showered His grace upon man (Eph. 2:4-9; Titus 3:7)
 - 2.) God has made His gift (righteousness) available to man (Rom. 4:24-25; 2 Cor. 5:21; Titus 3:4-6)
- b.) Adam's sin brought condemnation; God's gift brought justification (Rom. 5:16) (Acts 13:39; Rom. 5:1; Gal. 3:6)
- c.) Adam's sin brought the reign of death; God's gift brought the reign of life (Rom. 5:17)
 - 1.) Note two glorious truths:
 - a.) Believers "Reign in life" while on this earth (Jn. 10:10; 2 Cor. 9:8; Eph. 3:20; Phil. 4:19; 2 Pet. 1:11; Ps. 36:8)
 - b.) Believers shall "Reign in life" throughout all eternity (Jn. 3:16, 5:24; Lk. 19:17, 22:28-29; 1 Cor. 6:2-3)
- d.) Adam's sin brought condemnation to all men, God's gift brought justification of life upon all men (Rom. 5:18) (Rom. 6:23, 8:32; 2 Cor. 9:15; Eph. 2:8)

3.) THE CONCLUSION (ROM. 5:19-21)

- a.) Adam's disobedience made many sinners, but Christ obedience made many righteous (Rom. 5:19) (Heb. 2:10, 5:9, 7:25-26)
- b.) The law was given to point out and magnify sin, but God's grace was so much greater (Rom. 5:20) (Rom. 3:20; Gal. 3:19, 24; Eph. 1:7, 2:7; 1 Tim. 1:14-15)
- c.) Sin reigned to death, but God's grace reigned to eternal life (Rom. 5:21)
 - 1.) By Adam, sin reigns, - Leads to death (Rom. 5:12; Prov. 11:19; Ezk. 18:4, 18:20)
 - 2.) By God, grace reigns - Leads to eternal life (Jn. 1:4, 11:25-26, 14:6; 2 Tim. 1:10; 1 Jn. 1:2, 5:12)

But Note the Source: Eternal life comes only through the righteousness of "Jesus Christ our lord."

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