
Calvary Church: Coordinated Curriculum 2007-2008
Romans: The Transforming Power of the Righteousness of God

Mark Observations**Record Observations & Questions****Romans 5:12-21**

- 12 Therefore,
 just as sin came into the world through one man,
 and death through sin,
 and so death spread to all men
 because all sinned—
- 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given,
 but sin is not counted where there is no law.
- 14 Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses,
 even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam,
 who was a type of the one who was to come.
- 15 But the free gift is not like the trespass.
 For if many died through one man's trespass,
 much more have the grace of God
 and the free gift
 by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.
- 16 And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin.
 For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation,
 but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification.
- 17 If, because of one man's trespass,
 death reigned through that one man,
 much more will those who
 receive the abundance of grace
 and the free gift of righteousness
 reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.
- 18 Therefore,
 as one trespass led to condemnation for all men,
 so one act of righteousness leads to justification
 and life for all men.
- 19 For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners,
 so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.
- 20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass,
 but where sin increased,
 grace abounded all the more,
- 21 so that,
 as sin reigned in death,
 grace also might reign through righteousness
 leading to eternal life
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. (ESV)

Basic Outline: Amplification and Application of Justification 5:12-21 (Hinge)

The acts of the representative head brings consequences upon the many under the head.

Imputation of Sin: The link between Adam and man and Adam and Christ 5:12-14

Proposition Commenced: *Sin's entrance into the world by Adam resulted in death for all men* 5:12

Imputation of Righteousness 5:15-21

Distinctions between Adam and Christ 5:15-17

Christ's work, man's sin, and the Law 5:18-21

Introduction

What are some of the most “unfair” events, situations and rule you have experienced or observed? Why did they seem so “unfair”? How is “fairness” determined?



Talk about it

Review

All condemned in sin (1:18-3:20)

Salvation is completely a work of God in Christ (3:21-31), by faith alone (4:1-25) with great benefits and assurance (5:1-11)



Think about it

Key Concepts

This passage shows why those who have been justified and reconciled can be so certain that they will be saved from wrath and share in the “glory of God”: it is because Christ’s act of obedience ensure eternal life for all those who are “in Christ.”¹

5:12-14 The point: sin and death entered the world through _____,

with the result that _____ permeated the whole of mankind

5:15-21

5:15-17 *The abundance of grace _____ the _____ effects of Adam’s sin.*

5:18-19 *The _____ act of one brings _____ on all*

Proposition Completed Romans 5:18-19 Consequently Therefore		
Potential: All (v. 18) objective		
Representative Acts	Range in Design	Results in Eternity
through one transgression	to all men	Condemnation
through one righteous act		Righteousness of life
Actual: Many (v. 19) subjective		
Moral Dispositions of the Agents	Range	More Immediate Effect in Time
through the disobedience of one	the many	constituted sinners
through the obedience of One		constituted righteous

5:20-21 *The entrance of the Law revealed the _____ of man’s sin but this is _____ by the _____ of God’s grace and results in eternal life.*

	Condemnation	Justification
Source (Person)	Adam	Christ
Extent		
Cause		
Result		



Act on it

Sin affects _____ and _____

Justification is available to _____, _____



What do we learn
About God

¹ Douglas Moo, *The Epistle to the Romans*, p. 316.