

Romans 5:12-21

Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Sin **entered** into the world by one man, and death by sin. Notice the Bible doesn't say sin originated with man, it came into this world by man. Sin originated with Lucifer (Isaiah 14:12-15) who was created perfect and was the 5th anointed cherub before he fell (Ezekiel 28:12-15). Satan sinned in his heart desiring to be like God in a perverted way (wanted God's glory, honour, power, and worship), he said I will be like the Most High. He fell because of pride and in reality; the root of all sin is pride.

Now some would have you believe that death originated with Adam and they quote this passage to prove it. However this verse doesn't teach death originated with Adam, it merely entered into the world when Adam sinned (the wages of sin is death – Romans 6:23).

The question then becomes, where did death originate? Since the wages of sin is death, death came as a result of Satan's fall. Somewhere between Genesis 1:1-1:2 Satan sinned and God judged the world that then was (2 Peter 3:4-7) with water that affected the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:2). God flooded the universe with water and recreated the heavens and the earth which exist today. In the near future at the end of the millennial reign of Christ, God will destroy the universe once again this time with fire (2 Peter 3:7-13) and recreate a new heaven and a new earth with no more sea of separation (Revelation 21:1). This is what the Bible calls world without end (Isaiah 45:17, Ephesians 3:21).

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“So death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.”

Well I don't like that. God you're not fair. I didn't eat of the forbidden tree, why do I have to die? Well before you start complaining let's finish the passage. And first of all, all have sinned.

Sin doesn't just affect you, it affects others. The Universe started to die and decay as a result of man's sin. Animal life started to die and decay because of man's sin. Sin affects more than just the person who committed it.

“For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.”

You don't have to worry about kids dying young and going to hell. You don't have to worry about people that are mentally ill about dying and going to hell. God says sin is **not** imputed when there is no law. That is if you don't know what you are doing, sin is not imputed to you, even though you did evil. There is an age of accountability in the Bible (Romans 4:14-15, Romans 2:12).

Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Adam is a type of Christ

Comparison of Adam and Jesus Christ

The Book of Death (Genesis 5:1)

The FIRST ADAM

The son of God (Luke 3:38)

Made a living soul (1 Cor 15:45)

Of the earth, earthy (1 Cor 15:47)

Made in image of God (Gen 1:26-27)

As gods (Gen 3:5,22; Psa 82:6; Jhn 10:34-36)

The seed of Adam in the image of Adam (Gen 5:1-3)

Immediately tempted of the devil in the garden, and fails (Genesis 3:1-11)

Death by one (Rom 5:14-17)

All made sinners by one (Rom 5:19)

In Adam all die (1 Cor 15:22)

The Book of Life (Matthew 1:1)

The LAST ADAM

The Son of God (Luke 1:35)

Made a quickening spirit (1 Cor 15:45)

The Lord from heaven (1 Cor 15:47)

Is the image of God (Col 1:15; 2 Cor 4:4)

Is God in the flesh (John 1:1,14; 1 Tim 3:16; Heb 1:8-9)

The seed of Jesus Christ re-made [will be at resurrection completely] in the image of God (1 Jhn 3:2; Col 3:10; Rom 8:29; Phl 3:21)

Immediately tempted of the devil in the wilderness, and prevails (Mark 1:11-13)

Gift of grace by one (Rom 5:14-17)

Many made righteous by one (Rom 5:19)

In Christ all shall live (1 Cor 15:22)

But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

The Gifts in Romans 5

The free gift given by grace through one man, Jesus Christ (5:15)

The gift of justification (5:16)

The gift of righteousness (5:17)

The gift of life (5:18, 21; 6:23)

God promised eternal life before the world began (Titus 1:1-2, Romans 11:29, John 17:3)

Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

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The letter killeth but the Spirit giveth life (2 Corinthians 3:6)

- Talk about the Tabernacle and how the mercy seat is above the law.

That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Read Hebrews 2:6-18, Revelation 1:13-18

Jesus defeated death, hell, sin, and the grave. Now grace may reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.