

DEATH once reigned, now GRACE reigns

Does grace reign in your life? World view?

On what basis? Death is potent + pervasive!

= Biblical doctrine, matters immensely

① The REIGN of Death

☰☰ Romans 1-3 universal, pervasive... ↘

1. Sin came into the world through one man Adam, and death through sin

2. Death spread to all men b/c all sinned
Mean b/c we all sinned as Adam did? or
b/c we all sinned in Adam as our representative?

3. Sin and death were in the world before the LAW was given... "death reigned"

"The wages of sin is death" (6:23)

Stop for a moment and acknowledge the potent powerful reign of death in you, your relationships, world! Far more mighty than any earthly power
"veil that is spread over all nations." Basis grace reigns?

4. Adam is a type of the one to come! ↘

② The REIGN of GRACE

1. Through the one man **Jesus Christ** the grace of Θ has "**much more**" abounded. vs 15
2. In contrast to Adam's sin \blacktriangleright condemnation Jesus' free gift brought justification vs 16
3. Through Adam's sin death reigned, "**much more**" will those who receive the abundance of grace + free gift of righteousness "**reign in life**" through the one man Jesus Christ.

Did you hear this? Reign of Grace / "**reign in life**" is to characterize the Christian's life, motivate us, inspire us, shape world-view!
How? We are weak, mortal... **YMCA** basketball

⇒ ⇒ Doctrine! Headship of Human Race **Lloyd-Jones**

ADAM	JESUS
ONE TRESPASS	ONE ACT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
CONDEMNATION	JUSTIFICATION
DEATH	LIFE
MANY MADE SINNERS	MANY MADE RIGHTEOUS

Does grace reign in your life? View?
Has doctrine become practice?

2 AREAS GRACE SHOULD REIGN

1. Your battle with sin

☑ Rom 1-3 sin is pervasive **radical depravity**

BUT

☑ "Sin increased, grace abounded all the more" (vs. 20) Cf. Romans 6, 7, 8

☑ Through Jesus Christ + gift of the Holy Spirit sin is being pushed back + **mortified**, annihilated, in you!

Confidence, Joy, Zest for battle animate your life?

2. Your confidence in Evangelizing

☐☐ Universal, vs. "Universalism," scope of Jesus' work **Cranfield, Calvin, Hodge, Stott**

☑ Paul's Day ▶ Today

☑ **YMCA, Scott Brewer + Tom, Prayer**

Confidence, Joy, Zest to witness J's grace animate you?