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# The Life of the Son

ROMANS 5:12-21

**December 3, 2023**

What did Jesus have to do for us to be saved? Most Christians would say that Jesus died for my sins. This is what we learned in Sunday school, and it is, of course, a beautiful truth. Yet there is a bit more to the story. Jesus had to live first. He had to achieve what the first Adam never could. He had to live a perfectly righteous life to be the perfect sacrifice necessary for us to receive salvation. Jesus came to undo all the wrongs of this world caused when Adam fell in the Garden of Eden.



**WAYPOINT  
CHURCH**

Know Where You're Going.

# Order Of Worship

## Welcome and Announcements

## Advent Candle Lighting and Reading

*Isaiah 9:6-7*

*Mark and Margaret Barber*

## Call to Worship

**From Luke 1:78-79**

**Reader:** *By the tender mercy of our God,*

**All:** *the dawn from on high will break upon us,*

**Reader:** *to give light to those who sit in darkness and  
in the shadow of death,*

**All:** *and to guide our feet into the way of peace.*

## Songs of Praise

*Joy To The World*

*Go Tell It On The Mountain*

## Offering

## Confession of Sin

*God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to your glory in*

*our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.*

## Assurance of Pardon

*John 1:9, 12*

## Song of Declaration

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

## Confession of Faith

### **Heidelberg Catechism #65**

*Q. It is through faith alone that we share in Christ and all his benefits: where then does that faith come from?*

*A. The Holy Spirit produces it in our hearts by the preaching of the holy gospel, and confirms it by the use of the holy sacraments.*

## Pastoral Prayer

## Children's Message

## Sermon

### **The Life of the Son**

*Romans 5:12-21*

*Pastor James Brignac*

Communion

Song of Response

*Jesus Messiah*

Benediction

# Sermon Notes

## Headship

***What is a federal head?***

***Why do some people struggle with the idea of having a federal head when it comes to our salvation?***

***Why should we be comfortable with this idea?***

## Covenant of Works

***What is the covenant of works?***

*The first covenant made with man was a covenant of works, wherein life was promised to Adam; and in him to his posterity, upon condition of perfect and personal obedience. – Westminster Confession of Faith 7.2*

***What do we learn in Romans 5:12?***

***What two unnatural forces exist in the world today?***

*So then, whether we are condemned or justified, whether we are spiritually alive or dead, depends on*

*which humanity we belong to, whether we still belong to the old humanity imitated by Adam, or to the new humanity initiated by Christ. – John Stott*

## Covenant of Grace

**Who is the second Adam? Why is this good?**

*1 Corinthians 15:45*

**Why is the covenant of grace better?**

*Hebrews 8:6*

**What does the covenant of grace require of us?**

*Man, by his fall, having made himself incapable of life by that covenant, the Lord was pleased to make a second, commonly called the covenant of grace; wherein He freely offers unto sinners life and salvation by Jesus Christ; requiring of them faith in Him, that they may be saved, and promising to give unto all those that are ordained unto eternal life His Holy Spirit, to make them willing, and able to believe. –*  
**Westminster Confession of Faith 7.3**

*Where Adam collapsed, Jesus conquered. Where Adam compromised, Jesus refused to negotiate. Where Adam's trust in God faltered, Jesus' never*

wavered. *The second Adam triumphed for Himself and for us.* – **R.C. Sproul**

## Conclusion

*John 5:24*

# Announcements



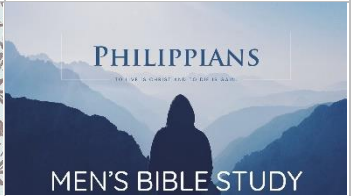
Sunday, December 10 at 4-5 PM



All Church Bonfire and Carol Sing  
Sunday, December 10 at 5 PM



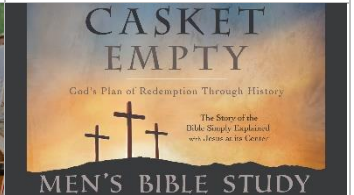
Every other Wed. at 6 PM  
Led by Kasey Bushman



Every Wednesday at 10 AM  
Led by Steve Jacques



Sundays at 6:30 PM  
At Waypoint Church



Every other Tuesday at 7:00 PM  
Led by Matt Kodatt



## Discussion Questions

1. Do you believe people often overlook the life of Christ when discussing the person and work of Christ?
2. Do you struggle with the idea of Adam and Jesus serving as the "federal head" of the covenant of works and grace?
3. What is the benefit of Christ serving as the mediator of the covenant of grace?
4. John Stott says we are either united to Adam or Christ. Do you think many in the world today would agree with this statement?
5. What do you think the world was like pre fall (without sin and death)?
6. What aspect of Christ's life (birth, life, death, resurrection, or ascension) are you most interested in learning about? Why?