

## Roamin' Thru Romans-Part 19

### A detailed study/analysis of the Book—Sunday Morning Series

May we stand please...

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:12—19

Prayer:

Romans 5: “Therefore”

The *justification* theme continues in this chapter as the Apostle Paul continues to present the arguments for salvation through Jesus Christ.

Romans 5 may be divided into four major parts as follows:

- A. The of Consequences of Justification (Romans 5:1-5)
- B. The Causes of Justification (Romans 5:6-11)
- C. **The Comparisons in Justification** (Romans 5:12-19) (**Today**)
- D. The Contrasts in Justification (Romans 5:20, 21)

Last Week: “The Causes of Justification”

- I. **The Crucifixion of Christ** (Romans 5:6, 7)

- II. **The Compassion of God** (Romans 5:8)
- III. **The Cleansing by Blood** (Romans 5:9)
- IV. **The Conciliation to God** (Romans 5:10, 11)
- V. **The Continuance of Christ** (Romans 5:10)

So, let's get started...

“The Comparisons in Justification”

In this section Paul compares the effects of two federal heads upon humanity.

The two caused opposite effects.

- I. **The Persons in the Comparisons** (Romans 5:14, 15)

Who were the two people that so affected humanity of whom Paul speaks here?

They were Adam (Romans 5:14) and our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 5:15).

The “*first man Adam*” is said to be “*a figure [type] of him that was to come*” (Romans 5:14).

“**Adam** is a figure of Christ in just this respect: that as his one sin brought death to all, even when there was no personal sin, so Christ's one act of obedience brings unfailing righteousness to those who are in Him, even when they have no personal righteousness” (James Stifler).

II. **The Products in the Comparisons** (Rom. 5:12-14, 16, 17-19)

The *products* or *effects* of the two men upon humanity were opposite of each other.

**One** cursed humanity, while the **Other** blessed humanity.

We note here, from our text, some (4) of the opposite products each *man* brought to humanity.

• **Sin/Righteousness.**

*"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered the world... until [before] the law sin was in the world"* (Romans 5:12, 13).

The first Adam brought sin into the world long before the law was instituted.

The last Adam (Christ) provided the righteousness man needed to be saved—*"Righteousness... by one, Jesus Christ"* (Romans 5:17).

• **Death/Life.**

*"Death reigned from Adam"* (Romans 5:14). *"By one man's offence death reigned"* (Romans 5:17).

Thanks to the first Adam, we have cemeteries, and the sorrow of death, and worse, we have eternal death in hell.

However, thanks to the last Adam we have eternal life. *"Life by one, Jesus Christ"* (Romans 5:17).

This brings the resurrection of the body (I Corinthians 15:52) and an eternal abode in heaven.

• **Condemnation/Justification.**

*"Judgment was by one to condemnation... By the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation"* (Romans 5:16, 18).

The first Adam brings condemnation upon all men because of sin.

All mankind are under the *condemnation* of God because of their sin, and until they, by faith, receive Jesus Christ as Savior, they will not escape that *condemnation* which brings the eternal wrath of God upon the soul of man (John 3:36).

*"By the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life"* (Romans 5:18).

The last Adam, Jesus Christ, brings salvation (*"justification"*) which declares man to be righteous before God because of the imputed righteousness of Christ.

Scripture declares, *"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God; not of works, lest any man should boast"* (Ephesians 2:8, 9).

• **Disobedience/Obedience.**

*"By one man's disobedience"* (Romans 5:19).

The *first Adam* was characterized by disobedience to God.

His descendants are by nature all disobedient to God.

"By the obedience of one" ([Romans 5:19](#)).

The *last Adam*, Jesus Christ, is characterized by obedience. "*I delight to do thy will, O my God; yea, thy law is within my heart*" ([Psalm 40:8](#); cp. [Hebrews 10:9](#));

**Closing:** So, we will stop here for today!

Do you know this Jesus that the Book of Romans so clearly teaches us about?

If not, will you accept Him today?

Have you known the “blessing” of “justification?”

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