

Reigning With
Jesus

Romans 5:12-21

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law.

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¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

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¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

N.T. Wright

“God took the initiative in a situation where there was nothing but sin to be seen, coming to the place where humankind was in ruins in order to make of his human creatures something far better than they had been in the first place.”

- 1) Jesus (God) became one of us!
- 2) Jesus (God) modeled the best way to be human!
- 3) Jesus (God) died for us!
- 4) The Holy Spirit (God) dwells in us to make us more like Jesus

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¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

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¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

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¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

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²⁰ The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, ²¹ so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 5:17

17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, *how much more* will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness *reign in life* through the one man, Jesus Christ!

What does it mean to “Reign in Life?”

1) Triumph over destructive and negative beliefs and behaviors

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2) Transformation

2 Cor. 3:18

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***3) A greater capacity for Joy
(enjoy God’s Creation)***

Col. 1:16-17

Robert Emmons and Michael McCullough define gratitude as a two-step process: 1) “recognizing that one has obtained a positive outcome” 2) “recognizing that there is an external source for this positive outcome.”

What does it mean to “Reign in Life?”

***4) God uses my actions to bring
Him glory***

Matt. 5:16

What does it mean to “Reign in Life?”

5) Living in our Calling

Eph. 2:10 / 2 Tim. 1:6

What does it mean to “Reign in Life?”

6) *Experience of Answered Prayer*

John 14:12-14

Do you feel like you are not
reigning? Sometimes we lack
something Abraham had: Belief and
Expectation that leads to Action

DO SOMETHING!!!!!!!!!!!!