

Living Connections Bible Study



One with Christ

Text: Romans 5:12-21

Prayer:

Icebreaker: What should a nation do when elected federal representatives make decisions contrary to the will of the people?

We often blame our leaders for the mess America is in. But our leaders are only a reflection of the people they represent. If a society is upright, and if morality, honesty and integrity are important to the people of our nation, they will elect representatives who are a blessing, and a force for good and not for evil in society.

1. What authority did God give to our first father, Adam, over the earth? Genesis 1:28

2. How did Adam's disobedience affect him and the whole human race represented in him?
Genesis 2:16-17; Romans 5:12, 18; Psalm 51:5

3. List the four ways in which all men are sinners because of Adam's original transgression.

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| 1) We are sinners through _____ | 1 John 3:4 |
| 2) We are sinners by _____ | Psalm 51:5 |
| 3) We are sinners by _____ | Romans 5:19 |
| 4) We are sinners by _____ | Luke 18:13; Psalm 58:3 |

3. Did Adam die physically on the day he ate the forbidden fruit? If not what did God mean when He said on the day you eat of the *Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil* you will surely die? Genesis 2:17

4. What evidence do we have that Adam's sin was imputed or charged against the entire human race

5. How was Adam a type of Christ – *Him who was to come*? Romans 5:14b

The phrase *much more* is used 7 times in Romans chapter 5. Paul is contrasting the negative consequences that resulted from the first man's sin with the benefits of the free gift now available to us through Christ's (the second Adam) obedience in going to the cross to die for sinners.

6. Fill in the blank after reading the following verses from Romans 5:

Verse 15

Adam's offense resulted in the _____ of sin = death Romans 6:23
Christ's obedience resulted in the _____ = God's grace _____ to many

Verse 16

Adam's offense resulted in _____ and _____ toward all
God's free gift through Christ for sinners resulted in _____

Verse 17

Through Adam's sin/offense death _____ over the human race
Those who receive God's gift of grace and righteousness _____ in life through Christ

Verse 18

Through Adam _____ came to all men resulting in _____
Through Christ's righteous act the free gift of _____ became available to all men

Verse 19

Through Adam's _____ all were made sinners
By Christ's _____ to go to the cross many are made _____

7. What was the purpose that God gave the Ten Commandments? Romans 3:20; 5:20; Galatians 3:24

8. What are the monuments to *King Death* found in graveyards all around the world? Romans 5:21a

9. What great monument gives testimony that grace will reign in righteousness resulting in resurrection and eternal life to all who believe. Romans 5:21b; Mark 16:1-6; 1 Corinthians 15:20-23;

Think About it this week:

Romans 5:17 teaches us that though *death reigned through Adam's one offense ...much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life* [as kings and priests] *through the One, Jesus Christ*. Through my identification with Christ I should be reigning victorious over sin, Satan, the world, trials and tribulations.