



*“The Just Shall Live by Faith!”*  
*The Apostle Paul*  
*Romans 1:17*

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***“Adam and Christ”***  
***“The Two Focal Points of Human History”***  
**Romans 5:12-21**

**1. The Entrance of Sin and Death Through Adam: *The Fall* – Romans 5:12-14**

- Sin entered into the world by one man whose name was Adam.
  - Genesis 1:17 –
  - Ezekiel 18:20 –
- Adam’s sin nature was passed on to all mankind.
  - Romans 3:23 –
  - Romans 6:23 –
  - 1 John 1:8 –
  - 1 John 5:19 –
- God’s sentence of death was passed to all men.

- Spiritual death – separation from God
- Physical death – separation from the living
- Eternal death – the eternal state of the first two

## **2. The Egress of Sin and Death Through Christ: *The Victory* – Romans 5:15 19**

- Adam's sin brought eternal death
- God's Gift brought eternal life
- Adam's sin made us unacceptable to God
- God's Gift of grace made us acceptable to God
- Adam's sin brought the reign of death
- God's gift of grace brought us the reign of life
- Adam's sin brought destruction to all men
- God's gift brought abundant life to all men
- Adam's disobedience made many sinners
- Christ's obedience made many righteous

Adam and Christ are presented as two figureheads of the human race:

- Adam stands as the head of the human race as the first to bring sin and death to mankind.
- Christ stands as the head of the human race as the first to:
  - Live a perfectly, sinless life
  - Conquer sin, death and the grave

We all enter ADAM'S family simply by being alive.

- And all that belongs to Adam becomes ours, including eternal death.

We can enter CHRIST'S family by being born again.

- And all that belongs to Jesus Christ becomes ours, including everlasting life.