

**The Gospel in Rom 5:12-21
&
the “Parable of Covid-19”**

Rom 5:12-21 (NIV)

12Therefore, 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—

13To 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.

14Nevertheless, 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.

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!

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.

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!

18Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.

19For 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.

20The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more,

21so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom 5:12-21 in context

1:1-17 **“Why I preach the gospel?”**

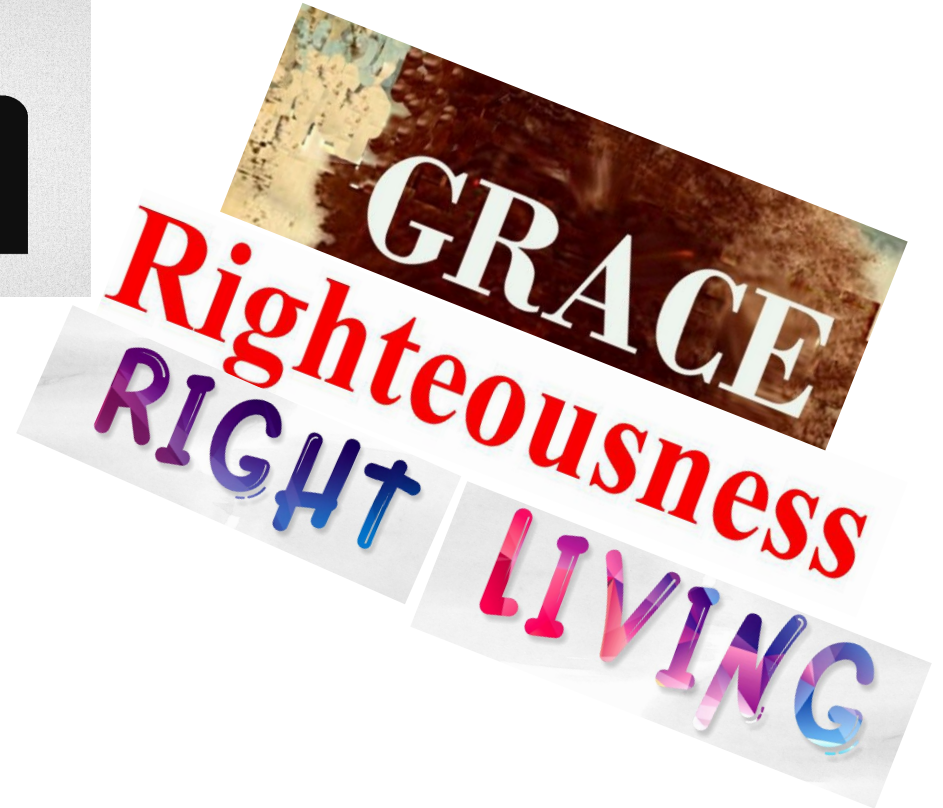
1:18- 3:31 **“All have sinned, both Jews & Gentiles”**

4:1-25 **“How to have the righteousness that comes from the gospel?” It is by faith in Jesus”**

5:1-11 **“What is the result of believing in the gospel?
“We now stand in the grace of God.”**

5:12-21

6 – 8 **“How shall we live now that we are under grace?”**



v. 11, 17, 21 sin & death *reigned*
v. 17, 21 grace & righteousness *reigns*

“Adam” in Rom 5:12-21



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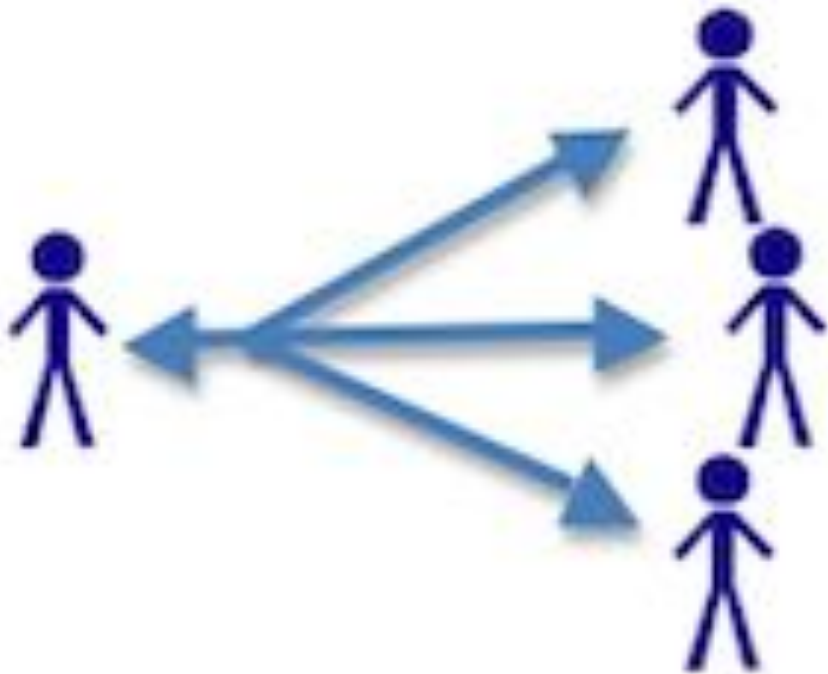




Stop
Blaming
Adam
and Eve

John P. Foley

“One to the Many”



v. 12 through **one** man ... **to all**

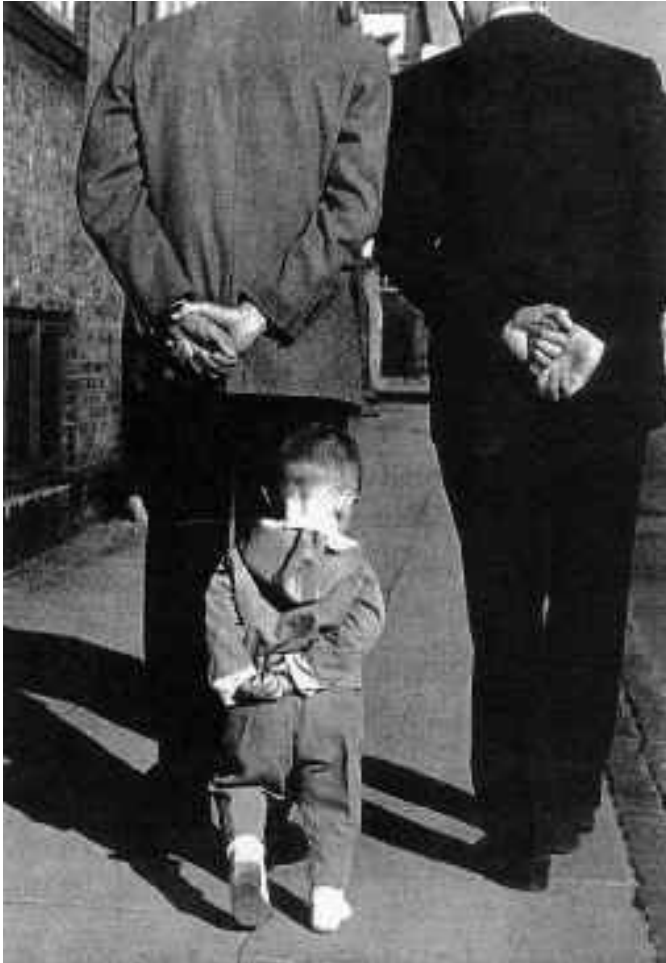
v.15 **by one** man ... **many** ... how much more by the grace of **one man..**

v. 16 the result of **one** man's..

v.17 **one** man...**one** man ...**one** man

v.19 **one man the many** ... **the one man the many**

The way of Bad & Good : Human Responsibility & Influence



Human Interconnectedness, Participation, In Union with others

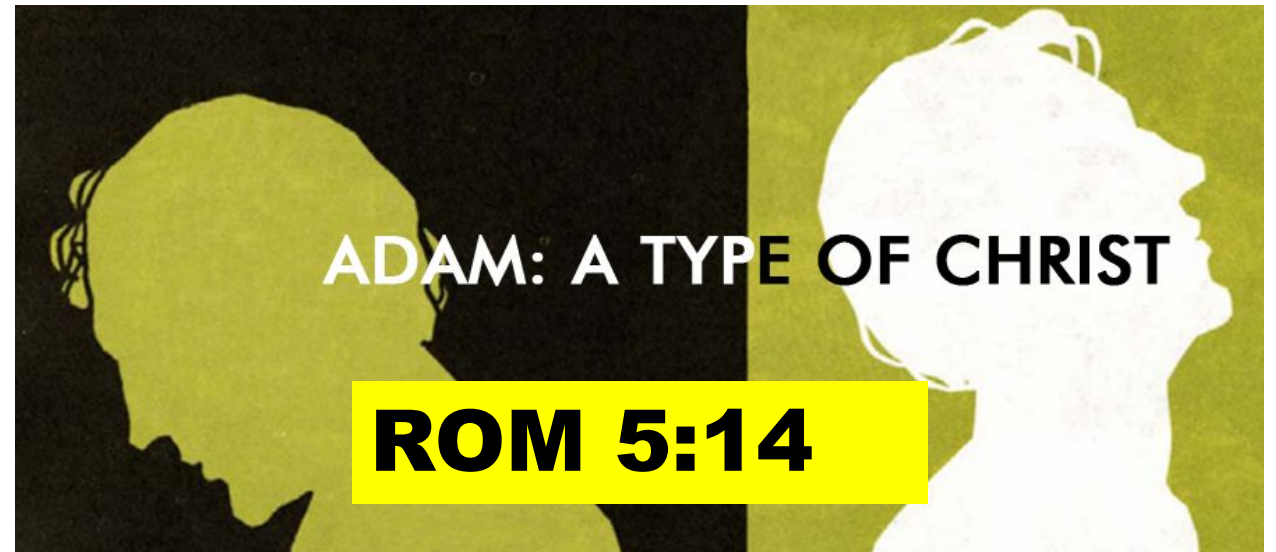


Since therefore the children have shared in blood and flesh, He also Himself in like manner partook of the same, that through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil.

HEB. 2:14

What is the Gospel in Rom 5:12-21?

“...God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ” (v.17b)



**The Apostle Paul's
Invitation to
“look” into the
“Power of the
Gospel”**

**HOW DOES THE
GOSPEL WORK?**



Parable of Covid-19 > Rom 5:12-21

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through one man, ... and
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***to all* people (v.12)**





**Putative source
of SARS-CoV-2**

animal-animal



**Potential intermediate host
i.e., Pangolins, snakes and
other mammals**

animal-human



human-human



RIGHTEOUSNESS

> > >

GOODNESS



CREATION

and God saw that it was good...

**EMBRACING
GOD'S DESIGN**

THE NEW NORMAL



You still need to protect yourself against #COVID19, wherever you are:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid crowded places and limit time in enclosed spaces
- Keep a distance of at least 1 metre from others
- Regularly disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Isolate yourself from others if feeling unwell and seek care, if needed



#StaySafe

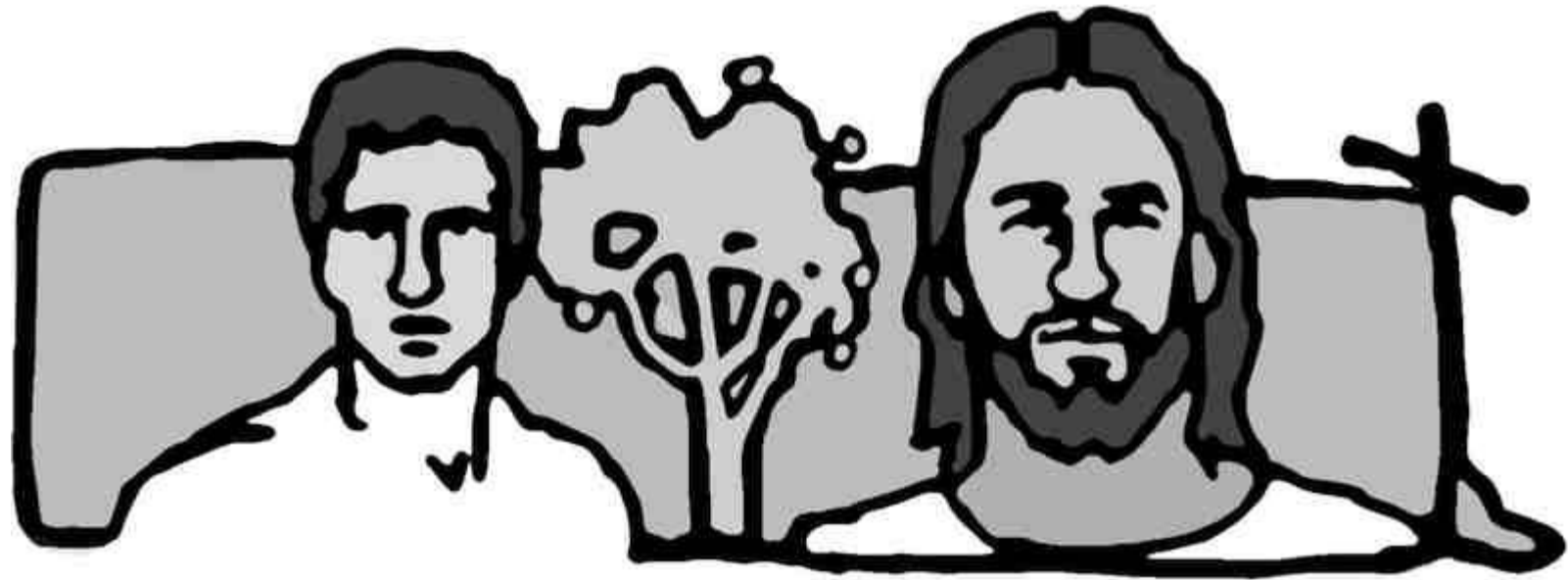
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**WHAT'S
YOUR
CHOICE**

