

# Two Representatives

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## Romans 5:12-21

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 14 Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. 16 And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. 17 For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. 18 Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 19 For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. 20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, 21 so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

I. The work of \_\_\_\_\_ brings \_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Adam was a real \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Adam was our \_\_\_\_\_ in the garden.
- c. Sinners by \_\_\_\_\_, sinners by \_\_\_\_\_.

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II. The work of \_\_\_\_\_ brings \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Adam's \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Adam's \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Adam's \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Adam brings \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus brings \_\_\_\_\_.

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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What was something that stood out to you in this sermon?
2. Does it matter if you believe that Adam is a real historical person? Why or why not?
3. Does the idea of Adam being your representative in the garden trouble you? Does the idea of Jesus being your representative on the cross comfort you? Explain your answer.
4. How do these verses help you to understand the broken world we live in today?
5. What does Christ's perfect obedience personally mean to you?
6. How can you take these verses from "head knowledge" and apply them to your heart today?

### Next Week:

God Forbid (Romans 6:1-7)