

# The Free Gift

Romans 5:12 Wherefore, as by **one** man **sin entered** into the world, and death by sin; and so **death passed** upon **all** men, for that **all** have sinned: 13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the **figure of him that was to come.** 15 But **not as the offence, so also is the free gift.** For if through the offence of **one** many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by **one** man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. 16 And not as *it was* by **one** that sinned, *so is* the gift: for the judgment *was* by **one** to condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification. 17 For if by **one** man's offence death reigned by **one**; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by **one**, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore as by the offence of **one**

*judgment came upon **all** men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of **one** the free gift came upon **all** men unto justification of life. 19 For as by **one** man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of **one** shall many be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.*

- A new term to learn, federal head
- Adam as head of the human race plunged us all into sin
- Jesus Christ as the head of a new race raises us all to salvation and justification
- Adam was a picture of one to come 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the **figure of him that was to come.**
- The first Adam brought sin and death and the second Adam brings grace and life

- Sin does not and will not get the victory on the earth and among men because God's grace is greater than sin
- All men sin and all men die [Hebrews 9:27](#) *And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:*
- The law entered not to show man a way to live but rather to make sin abound [20](#) *Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:*
- As sin abounds then grace will abound even more. Many offenses led to justification [16](#) *And not as it was by **one** that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by **one** to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.*

1. One man's disobedience, the first Adam [Romans 5:12](#)  
*Wherefore, as by **one** man **sin entered** into the world, and death by sin; and so **death passed** upon **all** men, for that **all** have sinned:*
  - a. Brought sin into the world
  - b. Sin brought death

c. Death passed to all men **13** (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. **14** Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the **figure of him that was to come.**

- i. Men died due to what Adam had done
- ii. There wasn't even law to show that they had sinned

d. Judgment came on all men and condemned all **18**

Therefore as by the offence of **one** *judgment came* upon **all** men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of **one** *the free gift came* upon **all** men unto justification of life.

- i. The goal of this passage is that you will see the contrast
- ii. It was one who brought sin and death, not you
- iii. It was one who brings grace and life, not you

e. Men were made sinners by that one act of Adam **19** For as by **one** man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of **one** shall many be made righteous.

- i. Adam's sin made us all sinners
- ii. It was his disobedience that plunged the whole human race into sin and death

## 2. One man's obedience, the second Adam

- a. Grace abounded to many by one, Jesus Christ **15** But **not as the offence, so also is the free gift.** For if through the offence of **one** many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is by one* man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.
  - i. You must get ahold of this, it was the act of one that brought death and it is the act of one that brings life
  - ii. This should get your eyes off of you and thinking you did anything to get saved or that you can do anything to lose salvation
  - iii. You did nothing to become a sinner, it was passed down to you from the one
- b. It is the righteousness of one that the free gift came upon all **18** Therefore as by the offence of **one** judgment came upon **all** men to condemnation; even so by the

righteousness of **one** *the free gift came upon* **all** men  
unto justification of life.

- i. It was not nor is it your righteousness but His
  - ii. It was a free gift upon all
  - iii. It is His free gift that justifies us
- c. The obedience of one made many righteous **19** For as by **one** man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of **one** shall many be made righteous.
- i. Again it was one that made us sinners and it is One that makes us righteous
  - ii. It was not my disobedience nor my obedience
  - iii. We were by nature sinners
- d. Actually many sins ends up leading to salvation **16** And not as *it was* by **one** that sinned, so *is* the gift: for the judgment was by **one** to condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification.
- i. All the wicked sins shows the beauty of His love and grace
  - ii. One messed it up
  - iii. Sins abounded but His grace abounds even more

e. It was one who brought grace and life to reign **17** For if by **one** man's offence death reigned by **one**; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by **one**, Jesus Christ.)

### 3. This does not remove our responsibility

a. Not only is it our nature to sin but we sin by choice. All have sinned **Romans 5:12** Wherefore, as by **one** man **sin entered** into the world, and death by sin; and so **death passed** upon **all** men, for that **all** have sinned:

b. The grace is a gift to be received **15** But **not as the offence, so also is the free gift.** For if through the offence of **one** many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by **one** man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

c. The gift is offered to all men **18** Therefore as by the offence of **one** *judgment came* upon **all** men to

condemnation; even so by the righteousness of **one** *the free gift came upon **all** men unto justification of life.*

d. It is still a gift and all you do is trust Him, believe God. He does all the saving **19** *For as by **one** man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of **one** shall many be made righteous.*

4. God's grace is greater than our sin

a. Why did God give us the law **20** *Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:*

i. God gave us the law so that the offense or sin might abound

ii. If you do not see how sinful you are then you will not feel the need for grace

iii. If you are not sinful then you will not need God to do something in your life

iv. If you are not sick you will not need a doctor

b. The law was not given as a means or way to live



- c. The law was not meant to show you how to please God but rather how you don't and can't please God
- d. When Adam did what he could death reigned **21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- e. Through Jesus grace reigns and life reigns
- f. We have received an abundance of grace **17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)**
  - i. It is God pouring out His goodness on us
  - ii. It is a gift
  - iii. It all comes from One, Jesus
- g. It is not what I can do to please Him that saves me or keeps me saved but how great and wonderful His grace is
- h. I don't ever merit His love, earn His love. His love is based on His person, His character, His grace **20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:**