

## The Canons of Dort (1619)

### **Third and Fourth Heads of Doctrine (The Corruption of Man, His Conversion to God, and the Manner Thereof)**

#### **LORD'S DAY #33**

##### *REJECTION OF ERRORS*

The true doctrine having been explained, the Synod rejects the errors of those:

###### **Paragraph 1**

**Leader:** Who teach: That it cannot properly be said that original sin in itself suffices to condemn the whole human race or to deserve temporal and eternal punishment.

People: **For these contradict the apostle, who declares: *Therefore, as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin; and so death passed unto all men, for that all sinned.*<sup>1</sup> And: *The judgment came of one unto condemnation.*<sup>2</sup> And: *The wages of sin is death.*<sup>3</sup>**

###### **Paragraph 2**

**Leader:** Who teach: That the spiritual gifts or the good qualities and virtues, such as goodness, holiness, righteousness, could not belong to the will of man when he was first created, and that these, therefore, cannot have been separated therefrom in the fall.

People: **For such is contrary to the description of the image of God which the apostle gives in Ephesians 4:24, where he declares that it consists in righteousness and holiness, which undoubtedly belong to the will.**

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<sup>1</sup> Rom. 5:12

<sup>2</sup> Rom. 5:16

<sup>3</sup> Rom. 6:23