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6.2 The Fall of Mankind, and Sin and Its Punishment	
By this sin our first parents fell from their original righteousness and communion with God. We fell in them, and through this, death came upon all. ³	
All became dead in sin ⁴	
and completely defiled in all the capabilities and parts of soul and body. ⁵	
3Romans 3:23. 4Romans 5:12ff. 5Titus 1:15; Genesis 6:5; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:10-19.	
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By God's appointment, they were the root and the representatives of the whole human race. Because of this, the guilt of their sin was accounted, and their corrupt nature passed on, to all their offspring who descended from them by ordinary procreation. ⁶	
Their descendants are now conceived in sin ⁷	
and are by nature children of wrath,8	
the servants of sin, and partakers of death ⁹	
and all other miseries—spiritual, temporal, and eternal—unless the Lord Jesus sets them free. ¹⁰	
6Romans 5:12-19; 1 Corinthians 15:21, 22, 45, 49. 7Psalms 51:5; Job 14:4. 8Ephesians 2:3. 9Romans 6:20; 5:12. 10Hebrews 2:14, 15; 1 Thessalonians 1:10.	

Scripture Proofs

- ³Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- ⁴Romans 5:12 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
- ⁵Titus 1:15 To the pure, all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their minds and their consciences are defiled.
- **Genesis 6:5** The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
- Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?
- Romans 3:10-19 As it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one. Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive. The venom of asps is under their lips. Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness. Their feet are swift to shed blood; in their paths are ruin and misery, and the way of peace they have not known. There is no fear of God before their eyes."
- **Romans 5:12-19** 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— for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 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. 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. 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. 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. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 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.
- 1 Corinthians 15:21, 22, 45, 49 For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.
- **7Psalm 51:5** Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- Job 14:4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? There is not one.
- **Ephesians 2:3** Among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.
- **9Romans 6:20; 5:12** For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 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.
- ¹⁰Hebrews 2:14-15 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.
- 1 Thessalonians 1:10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.