

Sermon Series: Romans

Sermon Text: Romans 5:12-21 Grace to End the Reign of Sin and Death

Because Adam abdicated his reign to sin and death, Jesus Christ came to end the reign of sin and death and to restore the reign of His people through grace.

- 1) Rebelling against God, Adam abdicated his reign to sin and death, bringing misery and condemnation upon all mankind.**
 - a) Adam's Representative Headship of Mankind (5:12-14)
 - b) Adam's/Mankind's Treason: "sin" (5:12), "transgression" (5:14), "trespass" (5:15), "disobedience" (5:19)
 - c) Adam's/Mankind's Punishment:
 - i) Reign of Death (5:14)
 - ii) Reign of Sin (5:21)
 - iii) Condemnation (5:16, 18)
 - d) **Application:**
 - i) Bondage of the will (law magnified the problem, 5:20)
 - ii) Social bondage/decay
 - iii) Bondage/decay of creational-kingdom
- 2) Obeying God perfectly, Jesus restored the reign of His people in righteousness and life, bringing abundance of grace.**
 - a) Christ's Representative Headship of New Humanity (5:14, 18-19)
 - b) Christ's/New Humanity's Loyalty: "righteousness" (5:18), "obedience" (5:19)
 - c) Christ's/New Humanity's Prize:
 - i) Gift of Righteousness (5:16-18)
 - ii) Gift of Eternal Life (5:18, 21)
 - iii) Gift of Restored Reign (5:17)
 - d) **Application:**
 - i) Grace reigns (5:21)
 - ii) Reigning in life through the one man Jesus Christ
 - (1) Exercising rule as those alive to God
 - (2) Exercising rule in union with Christ
 - (3) Exercising rule under Lordship of Christ (5:21)

Doxology: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.