

**“Sin shall no longer be Your Master
– (Part 1) – Christ vs Adam”
(Romans 5:12-6:4)**

1. How there are Two Heads in Humanity (vv. 12-17)

– The positive progression in our text.

- The dark abyss of man's ruin (vv. 12-14)
- his rescue in Christ (vv. 15-17)
- The pinnacle of his reign through grace (vv. 18-21)

– Adam as our human head (vv. 12-14)

- Sin entered our world - Spiritual and physical death follows.
- Gen. 3:6-7; Gen. 3:23-24; Gen. 6:5; 2 Cor. 4:4; 1 Cor. 2:14; Psalm 51:5;

– Christ as our Salvific Head (vv. 15-17)

- Christ surpasses - All of grace.
- More powerful than Adam.
- More efficacious than Adam.
- Eph. 1:4,5,11; Eph. 2:1-10; Col. 1:23; Ez. 36:25-27; John 14:16-18; 2 Pet. 1:4

2. How Christ Surpasses Adam (vv. 18-19).

- Through justification and righteousness – vv. 18-19.
- Christ establishes a new superior order.
 - Col. 2:9-10; 1 Cor. 15:45
- How then are we justified by grace?
 - By grace through faith in Christ alone.
 - Rom. 5:18; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 3:21-26; Rom. 5:9
- How are we declared righteous?
 - Rom. 5:19-20; Col. 2:14;

3. How the Law relates to Grace (v20-21)

- The law stands in service of the gospel.
 - Rom. 5:20; Rom. 3:21, 31
- Reveals the magnitude of our human corruption.
 - Rom. 5:21; Rom. 3:20; 7:7; 8:7; 1 Cor. 2:14
- Reminds us of grace.
 - Rom. 5:20-21.
- Turns our focus to Christ.
- Frees us from our own effort.
 - Rom. Rom. 1:16-17; Rom. 3:21

4. How then do we live? (Rom 6:1-4)

– The law stands in service of the gospel.

- Rom. 5:20; Rom. 3:21, 31

– It reveals the magnitude of our human corruption.

- Rom. 5:21; Rom. 3:20; 7:7; 8:7; 1 Cor. 2:14

– It reminds us of grace.

- Rom. 5:20-21.

– It turns our focus to Christ.

- Rom. 5:20-21