

Hamartiology 1

College and Career Life Class

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Group Questions:

- 1) Satan Has No New Tricks (1 John 2:16, Genesis 3:1-7, Matthew 4:1-11)
- 2) Sweeter Than Honey (Romans 5:12-20)
- 3) The Big Picture (Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 3:21-26, Galatians 2:20, Hebrews 10:14, Philippians 1:6)

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Topic: Satan Has No New Tricks

Passages: 1 John 2:16, Genesis 3:1-7, and Matthew 4:1-11

During the lesson we talked about the idea of *federal headship*, very simply that Adam's sin was imputed onto us as our federal head. Likewise for those who believe in Christ, His righteousness is imputed onto us as our new federal head – Adam's first sin tainted all of humanity, and Christ's perfect and obedient life saves His children from sin.

Let's look and see how Adam (and Eve) and Jesus Christ, in similar situations, fare against the lies of the devil.

“For all that is in the world—the *desires of the flesh* and the *desires of the eyes* and *pride of life*—is not from the Father but is from the world.” [emphasis mine]

1 John 2:16 ESV

In this passage quoted above, the apostle is telling us about 3 primary ways we are grasped by the world, and that they are not of the Father:

1. The desires of the flesh
2. The desires of the eyes
3. The pride of life

Read **Genesis 3:1-7** and **Matthew 4:1-11** and discuss the similarities in how Adam and Eve were tempted with how Jesus was tempted. Do you see the three things mentioned in 1 John 2:16? How did the victims of the temptor react differently?

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Topic: Sweeter Than Honey

Passage: Romans 5:12-20

Reference: <https://johnngill.thekingsbible.com/CommentaryVerse/45/5/15>

Guilt: Imputed through original sin in Adam, leading to a state of being culpable and deserving of punishment.	Justification: Imputed through faith in Christ, leading to a state of being declared righteous and accepted by God.
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We just finished discussing the gift of imputed righteousness upon us as children of God. In comparing this to the imputed sin I had mentioned that this is not like a two-sided coin, in that these are not two equal and opposite acts.

Read the following quote:

“much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many; that is, the righteousness of Christ, in which the grace of God is so illustrious, is much more effectual to the giving of life to all his seed and offspring; not barely such a life as Adam had in innocence, and which he lost by the offence, but a spiritual and an eternal one; which sheds the exuberance of this grace, which secures and adjudges to a better life than what was lost by the fall.”

John Gill's Exposition of the Bible (on Romans 5:15)

In his writing, John Gill takes the care to continue the emphasis of Paul in Romans 5:15, that Adam’s failure to adhere to God’s law is not equal in magnitude to the work of Christ; Christ’s work “adjudges to a better life than what was lost by the fall.”

Read **Romans 5:12-20** and discuss with your group the following:

1. What does it mean that “sin is not counted where there is no law” (v13b)? Include v14 while you discuss this.
2. In v14, Paul refers to Adam as a *type* for “the one who was to come.” The Greek word (τύπος) for *type* can be translated: *archetype, foreshadow, a model which anticipates a later reality*. Discuss how Adam is a *type* for Christ.
3. Make a list of the things that we gained from Adam in this (hint: it’s a short list). Now make a list of the things that we gain from Christ in this (hint: it’s a longer list). Does comparing and contrasting these lists make the good news of Christ so much sweeter?

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Topic: The Big Picture

Passages: Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 3:21-26, Galatians 2:20,
Hebrews 10:14, Philippians 1:6

Reference: <https://mhc.thekingsbible.com/MHC/45000>

During the lesson we briefly discussed the redemptive story of the Bible and how federal headship plays into it. During this time you will continue looking into the “big picture” of the Bible.

“By faith we lay hold of God's arm and of his strength, and so are at peace ... There is more in this peace than barely a cessation of enmity, there is friendship and loving-kindness, for God is either the worst enemy or the best friend. Abraham, being justified by faith, was called *the friend of God* ... , which was his honour, but not his peculiar honour: Christ has called his disciples *friends*, ... And surely a man needs no more to make him happy than to have God his friend! But this is *through our Lord Jesus Christ*—through him as the great peace-maker, *the Mediator between God and man*, that blessed Day's-man that has laid his hand upon us both. Adam, in innocency, had peace with God immediately; there needed no such mediator. But to guilty sinful man it is a very dreadful thing to think of God out of Christ; *for he is our peace*, ..., not only the maker, but the matter and maintainer, of our peace, ...”

Matthew Henry Commentary on the Whole Bible (on Romans 5)

Read **Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 3:21-26, Galatians 2:20, Hebrews 10:14, and Philippians 1:6** as guides, but feel free to read elsewhere in scripture 😊.

Discuss the following with your group:

1. Does the imputation of sin and righteousness demonstrate the continuity and fulfillment of God's redemptive plan?
2. What role does faith play in receiving the imputed righteousness of Christ?
3. How does understanding imputed righteousness impact our assurance of salvation?