

### Going deeper

Romans 5:12-21 is one passage where Paul draws parallels and contrasts between Adam and Jesus. The other passage in Paul's writings is 1 Corinthians 15, his great passage on the Resurrection.

#### Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-23

5. How are these verses similar to the 'one-all' pattern found in Romans 5? What contrasts between Adam and Christ are being made?
6. Who does the 'all' in 'all will be made alive' refer to?

#### Read 1 Corinthians 15:42-49

7. What is the contrast being drawn in verses 42-44? How is this an encouragement?
8. What is the contrast being made between Adam and Jesus here? Why is it an important contrast for us as Christians?
9. The arguments of Romans 5 and 1 Corinthians 15 talk of Jesus as a human being like Adam. Why is it important that Jesus became human?

***Now do the applying it to our lives questions...***



**Week Beginning  
Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**

#### **Growth Team News**

There are 3 **daytime** Growth Teams meeting at present and all would welcome new members. They meet for friendship, prayer and a follow up study to what we learn in the Sermon on Sunday. See details of meeting times and contact numbers below.

**Evening** Growth Teams will start up in October. In the meantime the last session of the Psalms course is this Thursday. Why not pop along and learn about this wonderful part of the Bible?

**Growing in Christ  
to glorify God  
and enjoy Him forever**



## Faith and life

*Romans 5.12-21 (page 1132)*

*Space to take notes on the talk*

### Adam and Jesus - \_\_\_\_\_

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### Adam vs. Jesus - \_\_\_\_\_

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## Starter question

- ❖ Other than the church, what group or family do you belong to?  
What are the benefits of belonging to that group or family?

## Responding to the talk

1. What was most challenging, encouraging or difficult about this week's talk?
2. Read Romans 5:12-14
  - a. What was the impact of the one man's sin? (cf. Gen. 2:17; 3:1-19)
  - b. Is sinning without knowing God's law still a sin? Why is sinning worse when you know God's law - like Adam?
  - c. In what way was Adam, 'a pattern of the one to come', i.e. Jesus?
3. Read Romans 5:15-17
  - a. What key actions of Adam and Jesus had an impact on all who belonged to them?
  - b. Why is Jesus's action so much better than Adam's?
  - c. What are the contrasts between the results of Adam's action and Jesus's?
4. Read Romans 5:18-21
  - a. How is Jesus's action described in verses 18-19? (Cf. Phil. 2:8)
  - b. How does the Law 'increase' or make worse the trespass? (cf. 7:13)
  - c. Why does this make grace even more impressive?

*You may like to do the 'Going Deeper' questions over the page.*

## Applying it to our lives

10. A non-Christian friend says they don't want to become a Christian because they don't want to submit to God's laws? How might you respond from what you've learnt in this passage?
11. A Christian friend has broken one of God's commands and so now can't be a Christian? How would you respond?