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Big Q: Can we be declared guilty by a representative?

<sup>12</sup> 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 –  $^{13}$  for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup> 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.

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(The Superiority of Christ)





#### Adam

Jesus

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## Romans 5:8-11

<sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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Condemnation through Adam is inescapable, and Paul says nothing that would diminish the horrible reality of this judgment under which all people stand. But alongside condemnation there is the grace of God. And since it is precisely God's grace with which we have to do, there is an "abounding plus" (Murray), a superabundance connected with God's gift in Christ that has the power not only to cancel the effects of Adam's work but to create, positively, life and peace.

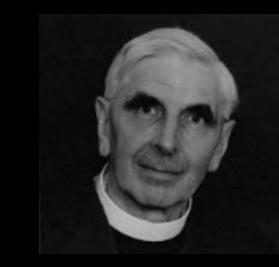
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"That one single misdeed should be answered by judgment, this is perfectly understandable: that the accumulated sins and guilt of all the ages should be answered by God's free gift, this is the miracle of miracles, utterly beyond human comprehension."

~ Charles Cranfield



# Implications of our Justification #1: Peace #2: Access #3: Rejoicing #4: Salvation

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Jesus is like Adam A) One Man B) Did something for Everyone

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It's all about Jesus

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## Galatians 2:3-5

<sup>4</sup>Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in – who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery – <sup>5</sup> to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you.

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# **Gospel Application**

# Jesus is so incredibly superior