

Family preparation for congregational worship on March 12, 2017

Our Scripture-Romans 5:12-21 (ESV): 12 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. 14 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. 15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. 16 And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. 17 For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. 18 Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 19 For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. 20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, 21 so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Discuss:

- 1. What is the root cause of death?
- 2. What came into the world with Jesus Christ?
- 3. What does sin produce?

Prayer: Thank the Lord that He guards and guides you. Praise the Lord for the blessings that He has given you. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray for greater personal discipline. Pray for persecuted Christians around the world. Pray, for Rob and Adrienne Lillo as they are currently working in Nigeria. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

Memorize (January): "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. **John 3:18-19 (ESV)**

Music:

As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

I am so glad that our Father in heav'n Tells of His love in the Book He has giv'n. Wonderful things in the Bible I see-this is the dearest, that Jesus Loves me.

I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me. I am so glad that Jesus loves me: Jesus loves even me!

"Jesus Loves Even Me", The Celebration Hymnal, #495, Word Music/Integrity Music © 1997

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