

Romans 5:17 (NLT)

For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is

God's wonderful grace and his gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:18-19 (NLT)

Yes, Adam's one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ's one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God and new life for everyone. [19] Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.

Ephesians 2:1-2 (NIV)

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, [2] in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

Ephesians 2:3 (NIV)

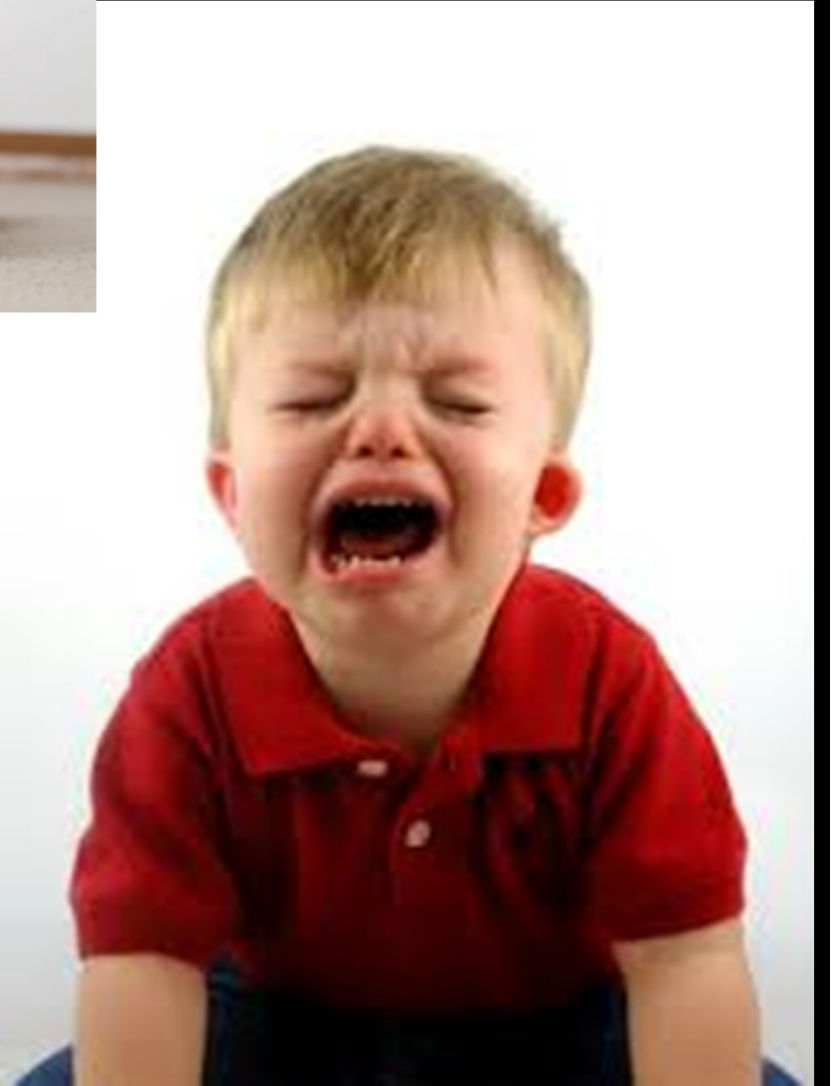
All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

We BELIEVE in...

**The FALL of MAN and
the CURSE**

Genesis 3:1-19





Is it **NATURE** or **PRACTICE**?

Isaiah 14:12-14 (NIV)

How you have FALLEN from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!

[13] **YOU SAID** in your heart,

I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God;

I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain.

[14] I will ascend above the tops of the clouds;

I WILL make myself LIKE the Most High.

SIN is an attitude of **REBELLION**
against God seen in our
thoughts, words, and actions.

One of many tragic results of **Adam and Eve's REBELLION against God** is an ongoing, damaging **CONFLICT** between husband and wife in marriage, **driven by the sinful behavior of both** in **REBELLION against** their respective **God-given roles and responsibilities** in marriage. ESV

Sin Resulted in Judgment on..

- the **SERPENT**
- **SATAN**
- the **WOMAN**
- the **MAN**
- All **HUMANS**

Rom. 5:12 (NLT) When Adam sinned, **SIN ENTERED** the **WORLD**. Adam's **sin** brought **death**, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

Sin Resulted in Judgment on..

- All of **CREATION**

Rom. 8:20-21 (NLT) Against its will, **ALL CREATION** was subjected to God's **CURSE**. But with eager hope, the creation looks forward to the day when it will join **God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay**

BROKEN Relationship with God: LASB

- Believed **THEIR** way was **BETTER** than God's way
- Caused **SHAME** and **FEAR** tried to **HIDE** from God
- Made **EXCUSES** shifted the **BLAME**

REBUILD Relationship with God... LASB

- **ACCEPT** the Fact that God's **WAY** is Better
- Stop trying to **HIDE** from God
- Stop make **EXCUSES** shifting **BLAME**
- **CONFESS** sin as **SIN**

1 John 1:9 (NIV)

If we **CONFESS** our sins,

HE is faithful and just and will forgive

us our sins

and **purify us** from **ALL**

unrighteousness

All people are **sinners** by **NATURE**
and by **PRACTICE**. At **conversion** all our
sins are **forgiven** past, present, and future.

Yet even after we become Christians,
we **STILL** sin and still **NEED** to **CONFESS**.
This kind of confession is not offered to gain
God's acceptance but to **REMOVE** the
barrier to fellowship that **our sin** has
put **BETWEEN** us and **GOD**. LASB

→ **TEMPTATION** begins with the
FIRST LOOK

2 Timothy 2:22 (NLT)

Run from anything that stimulates youthful
lusts. **Instead, pursue** righteous living,
faithfulness, love, and peace.

Enjoy the companionship of those who
call on the Lord with pure hearts.

→ Sin always **LOOKS GOOD** at the **Beginning**

1 Cor. 10:12-13 (NLT)

If you **THINK** you are **standing strong**,
be careful **not to FALL**. [13] The temptations in
your life are no different from what others
experience. And **God is faithful**.

He will not allow the temptation to be more
than you can stand. **When** you are tempted,
He will show you a way out
so that you can endure.

→ **Shifting BLAME** keeps us from
CONFESSING our sin

Psalm 32:5 (NLT)

Finally, **I confessed all my sins to YOU**
and **stopped trying to hide my guilt.**

I said to myself, I will **CONFESS** my
REBELLION to the **LORD**. And **YOU**
FORGAVE me! All my guilt is gone.

→ **We are Sinful by NATURE and
by PRACTICE**

Ps. 51:5 (NIV)

Surely I was **sinful at birth**, sinful from the time my
mother **conceived me.**

Ps. 51:4 (NIV)

Against **YOU, You only**, have I sinned and done
what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved
right when you speak and justified when you judge.

We believe that God created Adam and Eve **in His image**, but **they sinned** when tempted by Satan. **In union** with Adam, human beings **are sinners**

by NATURE and **by CHOICE**,
alienated from God, and **under His wrath**.

Only through **God's saving work**
IN Jesus Christ can we be **rescued**,
reconciled and **renewed**. EFCA

Jeremiah 44:14-17 (NLT)

Of that remnant who **FLED** to Egypt,
hoping **someday** to return to Judah,
there will be **NO SURVIVORS...**

...[15] Then all the women present and all the men who knew that their wives had burned incense to idols a great crowd of **ALL the Judeans** living in northern Egypt and southern Egypt - answered Jeremiah,

[16] **We will NOT listen to your messages from the LORD!**

We will DO whatever WE WANT...