

The Facilitator

Community Groups @ Trinity Presbyterian Church

2/4/18

Text: Romans 5:12-21 (ESV)

Title: Death in Adam, Life in Christ

Teacher: Josh Floyd

Surrender through Prayer:

Surrender through prayers for Illumination and Transformation, asking that Jesus would meet with you in this time.

Engage with the Sermon

Read the passage together

In his sermon, Josh brought us through the message of the gospel in Romans 5, as we looked back at the story of Adam's sin and failure, and Jesus' perfection and success on our behalf. As we saw, because of the reality of sin from Adam our "Covenant Representative", we experience physical, spiritual and eternal death. His sin was passed on and ingrained in all of us, and in all of creation. But the hope of the gospel is that in Jesus, our greater and better Covenant Representative, we can experience physical, spiritual and eternal life, all made possible by God's grace.

Reflection Questions:

- 1. Because of Adam's sin the whole world experiences "Death": Physical Death in sickness, disease and natural disasters; Spiritual Death in the brokenness and sin in our lives; and Eternal Death in the reality of Hell for all who are not saved.*
 - How do you typically deal with those aspects of death in the world?**
 - What areas of "death" often feel bigger than what the God can overcome?**
- 2. Where Adam brought death, Jesus brings life: Physical Life through miraculous healings and our future Glorified Bodies; Spiritual Life through his Spirit living in us; and Eternal Life, forever with Him.*
 - How have you seen God breathe life into an area of death?**
 - How did that affect your view of God and of death?**
- 3. Our salvation depends completely on God's grace. The most costly gift ever given (the life of the son of God) has been offered to the most undeserving recipients (a broken and sinful people deserving his wrath), all because of his Grace and Love for us.*
 - How have you tried to bring yourself Physical, Spiritual or Eternal Life rather than asking and freely receiving it from God?**
 - Where do you still need the Holy Spirit to breathe Life into an area of death? Spend time praying that He would.**

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WORSHIP AND PRAYER:

A.C.T.S.

(Spend time in prayer and worship as a group as you consider Adoring God the Father, Confessing your sin and weakness, giving thanks to Jesus, and asking Holy Spirit to transform you. Use this as a time to talk to God about what's been revealed in your heart during your discussion.)

1. ADORATION *(The Father)*

Adore and Worship God for His attributes and actions

2. CONFESSION *(Me)*

Spend time Confessing sin and ways in which you are finite and limited

3. THANKSGIVING *(Jesus)*

Give thanks to Jesus for his salvation (past, present, future)

4. SUPPLICATION *(Holy Spirit)*

Ask Holy Spirit to transform you in specific ways

5. Prepare for Gospel Community *(My Neighbor)*

Pray for those who are on your heart, that God would use you to impact them with His gospel message.

Prayer Items

- 1. Worship the LORD for sending His Son Jesus Christ to reverse the curse that Adam brought! Praise Him for His grace shown to trespassers like you and me.*
- 2. Confess to Jesus the ways in which we regularly choose to sin against a most high, loving and pure God because of the temporary pleasure it brings us.*
- 3. Give thanks to our Heavenly Father for all the benefits (righteousness, life and justification) that Christ has accomplished for us through His life, death and resurrection.*
- 4. Who in your life is still spiritually dead in their trespasses and in need of the saving work of Jesus Christ? Please pray that God would draw them to Himself by using whatever means necessary.*
- 5. Pray that the Holy Spirit would help us remember that we have been brought from death to life in Christ and this is all by God's grace. Pray that this would cause us to be humble, generous and missional.*