Another Visitor Makes an Entrance

Text: And the law came in besides, that the trespass might abound; but where sin abounded, grace did abound more exceedingly: that, as sin reigned in death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Romans 5:20-21)

Intro: intruders

I. The First Intruder

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin... (Romans 5:12)

Two problems:

II. Resolving the First Issue

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III. Resolving the Second Issue

I was once alive apart from the Law; but when the commandment came, sin became alive and I died; (Romans 7:9)

Application 1: Our Greatest Misery

Application 2: What the Law Does

A painful visit

A necessary visit

Application 3: What the Law Cannot Do

Strict justice or compassion?

Application 4: What Grace Does

Through _		
Through		
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Westminster Confession of Faith

Man, by his fall, having made himself incapable of life by that covenant, the Lord was pleased to make a second, commonly called the covenant of grace; wherein He freely offereth unto sinners life and salvation by Jesus Christ; requiring of them faith in Him, that they may be saved, and promising to give unto all those that are ordained unto eternal life His Holy Spirit, to make them willing, and able to believe.