SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS DECEMBER 19, 2021

DEATH IN ADAM, LIFE IN CHRIST ROMANS 5:12-21

MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE

Represented by the first Adam you and I all sinned and died, but through faith in the second Adam, Jesus Christ, we are made righteous and alive again.

I. Sin & Death in the First Adam (v.12-14)

II. Righteousness & Life in the Second Adam (v.15-17)

III. The Reign of Righteousness & Life (v.18-21)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

- 1. How would you respond to someone who thinks it is unfair that Adam's sin and guilt is imputed to his descendants?
- 2. Why must we also thank God for the life of Christ as well as his death? Why should Christ's holy life matter to us?
- **3.** How is Adam a type of Christ in terms of similarities? What about in terms of contrast? Which does Paul focus on more?
- **4.** What does Paul mean that "the law entered that offense might abound" (v.20)? Why would this be? How does the gospel remove the condemnation of the law?

FURTHER READING: Rom 6:23; 1 Cor 15:22-23, 45; 1 John 3:4