

Maranatha Men's Training Camp

# Abounding Grace

Romans: Becoming a Man of God

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## Romans 5:12-21 – Made Righteous...

"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." ...Romans 5:19

## MAIN POINT

- *How can Christ take away our guilt and punishment for our sins? ...And how can His righteousness be credited to our accounts?*
- *We sinned "in Adam" and in union with Adam, and consequently Adam represented us as part of the whole human race. So also when we believe, we are "in Christ", in union with Him in His death, burial, and resurrection, ...so that He is our representative before the Father and we are Justified!*

### Quick Review...

- **Justification** means: Because Christ died for you, you are declared to be righteous when you believe. This happens by means of the imputation of your sins on to Christ and God crediting your account with Christ's righteousness...
- **Reconciliation** means: While we were considering ourselves God's enemies, He has brought reconciliation through Christ's blood, with the result that we are at peace with God and have access to God as our Father. It is about your *relationship* with God.

### ADAM AND CHRIST: OUR REPRESENTATIVES

Scripture:

1. When you are represented court, what does that mean?
2. If your representative does something on your behalf, does it bind you?
3. Who did Adam represent?
4. Who did Jesus represent?

## Group Discussion

**DEATH V. LIFE:***Scripture:*

1. What is the effect of having someone as “representation” on your behalf?
2. What was the effect of Jesus’ representation?
3. If you represented the human race, would you have performed worse or better than Adam?
4. Do you sin because you are by nature a sinner or do become a sinner by sinning?
5. What is original sin? Do you believe in original sin?

**Conclusion, Application, and Things to Think About...**

Although each person must make a choice for or against God, as husbands and fathers we are in some respect responsible to God for how we have fulfilled our roles as the head of the family.

- How have you represented your family?

God reconciled us to Him when we were enemies. We love Him because He first loved us. Jesus taught us to love our enemies and to forgive those who have harmed us.

- Are you bearing a grudge against someone who has wronged you?
- Are there people who you would like to hit back?
- Does it matter who started it or who is in the wrong?

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

**READING  
PLAN**

Wednesday: Romans 6:1-4  
Thursday: Romans 6:5-8  
Friday: Romans 6:9-14

Saturday: Galatians 3:1-9  
Sunday: Galatians 3:10-14  
Monday: Galatians 3:23-29

**MEMORY  
VERSE**

*“So that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” ...Romans 5:21*

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God’s Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)