

WHY IS THE WORLD THE WAY IT IS?



- 1. Sin entered the world through one man. (v. 12a)
- 2. <u>Death</u> entered the world through <u>Sin</u>. (v. 12b)
- 3. Death Spread to all men. (v. 12c)
- 4. Death now reigns over all men. (vv. 13-14)



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PAUL'S USE OF GENESIS



When <u>Paul speaks</u> of Adam and the <u>events of Genesis</u>, he does so very clearly believing in a <u>historical</u>, <u>literal</u> interpretation of the book of Genesis. The <u>events are real</u>, the <u>people are real</u>, and it all took place at the beginning of creation. They are <u>not poetry</u>, they are not <u>imagery</u>, nor are they <u>symbolic</u>. Each and every word of Genesis is true and really happened or else Paul's argument in Romans 5 makes no sense.

ENDED LAST WEEK ROMANS 5:11



- 11 And not only this, but we also <u>exult</u> in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now <u>received</u> the <u>reconciliation</u>."
 - ✓ <u>Reconciliation</u>: The reestablishment of an interrupted or broken relationship.



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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT



You are not a sinner because you sin. You sin because you are a sinner. It's what you are, it's in your nature.

WE ARE BORN IN SIN

- Ps 51:5 "Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me."
- Ps 58:3 "The wicked are estranged from the womb;
 These who speak lies go astray from birth."
- <u>Job 15:1</u>"What is man, that he should be pure, Or he who is born of a woman, that he should be righteous?"



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THE SECOND DEATH

Rev. 21:8-9 "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the <u>lake that burns with fire</u> and <u>brimstone</u>, which is the **second death**."



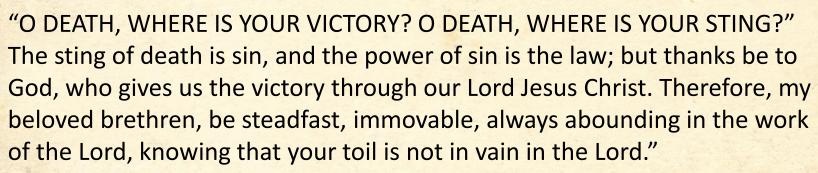
Rev. 20:14-15 "Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the **second death**, the <u>lake of fire</u>. And if anyone's <u>name was not found written</u> in the book of <u>life</u>, he was <u>thrown</u> into the lake of fire."



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IN CHRIST, DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY

"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; In for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.



1 Corinth 15:52-58