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THEME: THE STUDY OF THE BOOK OF ROMANS: FOCUS ON CHAPTERS 4&6

TOPIC: DEATH THROUGH ADAM, LIFE THROUGH CHRIST

TEXT: ROMANS 5:12-21

INTRODUCTION/SUMMARY

The book of Romans is highly praised for clearly articulating key doctrines such as man's Sinfulness, Justification by faith, Regeneration, Union with Christ, Adoption, and Sanctification. The book of Romans is known for its rich, deep, glorious, and at times unsettling theological assertions and implications. Running through **chapters 1 -4**, Paul highlights how humanity deliberately walk and continue to walk in disobedience; and that man, Jews and Gentiles alike needed restoration. He further declares the goal of his apostleship which is to bring about the **obedience of faith** clarifying that **believing and obeying** must necessarily go together and should never be pitted against each other. Today, we are continuing the study looking at chapters 5 and 6, to review Paul's comparison of **Adam and Christ Jesus**; and what their choices brought to humanity (world), exploring the benefits that comes with being justified righteous in the eyes of God by our faith in Christ Jesus and negating the common misconception about salvation by grace through faith.

CHAPTER 5:

The key objectives of studying chapter 5 is to further understand how God demonstrated His love for mankind, by taking the first step to reconciliation not waiting for man to be strong and perfect but while we were still sinners sent Jesus Christ to die for us. 2. That we are no longer enemies of God because of sin but reconciled forever children of God through Christ. 3. That by one man (Adam) the whole of humanity was **dead in sin** and by one man (**Jesus Christ**) humanity is now **dead to sin and restored by faith**.

4. That **faith in Christ Jesus, not works** is the means by which God declares us righteous and justified.

Outlines:

Faith in Christ Jesus and the cross is the way to salvation/Justification; and therefore the foundation of our walk with God. Is salvation/Justification solely by faith?

Benefits of justification – **Rom 5:1-4**

- Peace with God
- We stand in God's grace
- We have hope for eternal glory

By one man's disobedience all were made sinners – **Gen 3, Rom 5:12-14.**

Solidarity in guilt implies solidarity in penalty – **Romans 6:23, Ezekiel 18:4**

Sin and death principle – **Psalms 51:5, Psalms 58:3, Job 14:4**

By obedience of One (Christ Jesus) all are made righteous by faith **Romans 5:15-19**

CHAPTER 6:

The key objective in this chapter is 1. Refute the misconception that grace is latitude for sin – **Rom 6:1-2. 2.** Paul's admonition that Christians should not continue in sin, once they have been declared righteous by God. 3. How a Christian sees himself is an important component of the **"obedience of faith"**

Outline

God's grace is greater than sin: **Rom 6:1-2**

Crucified with Christ **Rom 6:3-6**

**Apostle Paul throw more light on what happens when a person comes to faith in Christ on a spiritual level – he said such a person experiences spiritual death to sin, rather than to God; and a rebirth that equals Jesus' own physical death and resurrection. The person is then raised to a new spiritual life.

Not a slave to sin - **Rom 6:4-14**

Consider yourself dead to sin – **Rom 6:11**

Lifestyle of volunteer slavery to righteousness – **6:15-23**.