

**Xenos Christian Fellowship**  
**Christian Principles Unit 1**  
**Foundations of Spiritual Growth**  
**Week 3: Biblical Anthropology**

**Introduction**

**Definition:**

**Creation And Fall**

**Federal Headship**

**Definition:**

**Scriptural Support**

**(Romans 5:12-19\*\*)** Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned-- (13) for until the Law sin was in the world; but sin is not imputed when there is no law. (14) Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. (15) But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many. (16) And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment arose from one transgression resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift arose from many transgressions resulting in justification. (17) For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. (18) So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men, even so through one act of righteousness there resulted justification of life to all men. (19) For as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous.

### What are these consequences?

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(1 Cor. 15:21,22) For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive.

Other passages make it clear that we are born in a sinful state and estranged from God.  
(Ps. 51:5) " . . . in sin my mother conceived me"

(Eph. 2:3) " . . . by nature children of wrath"

(Prov. 22:15) "Foolishness is bound up in child's heart . . . "

(Gen. 8:21) " . . . for man is evil from his youth up . . . "

### Note:

(Mark 7:18-23) And He said to them, "Are you so lacking in understanding also? Do you not understand that whatever goes into the man from outside cannot defile him; (19) because it does not go into his heart, but into his stomach, and is eliminated?" (Thus He declared all foods clean.) (20) And He was saying, "That which proceeds out of the man, that is what defiles the man. (21) "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, 22 deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness. 23 "All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man."

**Objection:** "It's not fair! Why should I have to suffer the consequences of someone else's wrong decision?"

### Qualification:

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## Humanity Before And After The Fall

### Spiritual State

#### Before (Gen. 2:16,17):

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#### After (Gen. 3:24; Rom. 5:12-19\*\*; Eph. 2:1-3\*\*):

(Eph. 2:1-3\*\*) And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, (2) in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. (3) Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

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## **Work**

**Before (Gen. 2:15):**

**After (Gen. 3:17-19):**

## **Relational**

**Before (Gen. 2:18,20,25):**

**After:**

- **Gen. 3:7**
- **Gen. 3:12; Gen. 4:5-8**
- **Gen. 4:23,24**
- **Gen. 6:11**

## **Sexuality**

**Before (Gen. 2:24,25):**

**After (Gen. 4:19):**

**(Rom. 1:24-27)** Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, that their bodies might be dishonored among them. (25) For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and

worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. (26) For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, (27) and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

## **Creativity**

**Before (Gen. 2:19,20):**

**After (Gen. 4:21):**

## **Cognition**

**Before (Gen. 2:19,20):**

**After (Gen. 6:5):**

**(Rom. 1:21,22,28,32)** For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God, or give thanks; but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. (22) Professing to be wise, they became fools . . . (28) And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper . . . (32) and, although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.

## **Nature**

**Before (Gen. 1:26,28; 2:15):**

**After (Gen. 3:17a):**

**(Rom. 8:19-21)** For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. (20) For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope (21) that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

**Authority****Before: Direct authority (Gen. 2:16,17)****After: Delegated authority****Civil Government (Gen. 9:6)**

**(Rom. 13:1-5)** Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God. (2) Therefore he who resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves. (3) For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same; (4) for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil. (5) Wherefore it is necessary to be in subjection, not only because of wrath, but also for conscience' sake.

**Marriage and Family (Gen. 3:16)**

**(Col. 3:18-21)** Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. (19) Husbands, love your wives, and do not be embittered against them. (20) Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. (21) Fathers, do not exasperate your children, that they may not lose heart.

**Workplace**

**(Col. 3:22-4:1)** Slaves, in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who merely please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. (23) Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men; (24) knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve. (25) For he who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality. (1) Masters, grant to your slaves justice and fairness, knowing that you too have a Master in heaven.

## Church

**(Heb. 13:17)** Obey your leaders, and submit to them; for they keep watch over your souls, as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

### Note:

### Qualifications:

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## Total Depravity

**Definition:** all humans are adversely affected in every area of life so that they are unable to seek or approach god.

### Does *Not* Mean:

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## Memory Verses

**Rom. 5:12-19\*\*** - Federal headship; spiritual effects of the fall (Total Depravity)

**Eph. 2:1-3\*\*** - Spiritual effects of the fall (Total Depravity)

## Assignment

**Read the following passages concerning substitutionary atonement:** Gen. 8:20,21; Gen. 22:1-19; Ex. 12:1-14; Lev. 4; Lev. 16; Isa. 53; Jn. 1:29; Lk. 22:13-20; 1 Cor. 5:7; Heb. 9. **What information about this concept is revealed in each passage?**

**Substitutionary atonement:** a blameless sacrifice bearing the judgment due another. For example, a lamb being sacrificed for the sins of Israel or Jesus being sacrificed to pay for our sins.

| Passage      | Summary |
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| Gen. 8:20,21 |         |
| Gen. 22:1-19 |         |
| Ex. 12:1-14  |         |
| Lev. 4       |         |
| Lev. 16      |         |
| Isa. 53      |         |
| Jn. 1:29     |         |
| Lk. 22:13-20 |         |
| 1 Cor. 5:7   |         |
| Heb. 9       |         |