"ADAM AND CHRIST"

Introduction

- 1. We are to believe in Adam and in Christ
- 2. To make Adam <u>allegorical</u> is to attack gospel
- 3. Paul informs us about both Adam + Christ

1. CHRIST IS THE SECOND AND LAST ADAM

- 1) This made clear here and in Romans 5:12-19
- 2) They are described as Public Persons:
 - (i) because they act as <u>representatives</u>
 - (ii) they are Covenant Heads
 - (iii) they are similar, yet opposites
- 3) How similar:
 - (i) constituted by God heads of mankind
 - (ii) their actions affect all their constituents
 - (iii) their actions are subject to <u>imputation</u> **OBSERVE**: We are to marvel at God's wisdom
- 4) How <u>dissimilar</u>:
 - (i) Adam brought: sin condemnation death
 - (ii) Christ brought: righteousness justification life **DOCTRINE**: All mankind are either in Adam or Christ

2. CHRIST BRINGS LIFE TO ALL WHO ARE IN HIM

- 1) The three forms of death by Adam:
 - (i) temporal
 - (ii) spiritual
 - (iii) eternal
- 2) The three forms of life by Christ:
 - (i) the New Birth: restores the Holy Spirit
 - (ii) the Intermediate State: from death to judgement

- (iii) the glory of <u>Heaven</u> after the Judgement
- 3) Christ brings us all this at immense cost to Himself and in <u>love</u> to His own:
 - (i) Incarnation what it involves: Phil. 2
 - (ii) A <u>life</u> of suffering lived for us in that He acted as our Representative

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103:1-5

89:1-5

89: 13 – 16

- (iii) An atoning <u>death</u> as payment to God
- 4) The wonderful <u>accomplishment</u> of all this:
 - (i) a righteousness above Adam's for us
 - (ii) the Holy Spirit restores to us
 - (iii) Sonship with the Father given to us
- 5) These great mercies given us by grace:
 - (i) the Spirit to regenerate > faith
 - (ii) the act of <u>Justification</u>
 - (iii) a love for God's Moral Law

OBSERVE: Truly regenerate persons <u>love</u> the Law

3. CHRIST BRINGS ALSO RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD

- 1) Christ experience of <u>death</u> for us:
 - (i) eternal death on the Cross
 - (ii) temporal in the grave
- 2) The <u>importance</u> of Christ's resurrection:
 - (i) the many attempts to <u>deny</u> it e.g. "Who Moved the Stone?"
 - (ii) the <u>lie</u> of the soldiers (Matt. 27-28)
 - (iii) objections answered:
 - a. "The disciples stole it"
 - b. "The Jews removed it"
 - c. "Mary hallucinated"

<u>DOCTRINE</u>: The resurrection is the visible proof of our salvation + eternal glory.

CONCLUSION

Adam > Christ. <u>ILLUSTRATION</u>: a man who changed ship