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the epistle, 1:18–5:21.

ὥσπερ *hosper* just as, this introduces a comparison and contrast between the first Adam and the Second Adam, this comparison is found in vv 12, 18, 19, 21.

**AND IN THIS MANNER DEATH SPREAD  
TO ALL MEN BECAUSE ALL SINNED [in  
Adam positionally]**

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διὰ, *dia* with a gen indicates means, through the means of one man

ἄνθρωπος *ánthrōpos*; generic term for human being. From the context this is Adam even though he is not named until v. 14

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ἁμαρτάνω *hamartánō*; aor act ind 3p “to sin, miss the mark”

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ἐφ' ᾧ *Epi o*

**Two views on how transmission occurred:**

**Seminalism:** The entire human race, body and soul, was genetically present in Adam. Thus God considered every human being to be physically participating in Adam's original sin, and thus receiving the same penalty. This view is usually connected to a Traducianist view of the transmission of the soul.

**Federalism:** The view that Adam stood as the head and representative of the human race, Adam's decisions were on behalf of all humanity. God viewed Adam's sin as the act of all people through representation, and thus Adam's penalty is judicially imputed to all mankind. This view is most consistently linked to the Creationist view of the origin and transmission of the soul.

			<b>guilt or culpability.</b>	
<b>Federal View</b>	<b>Sin is imputed to humanity because of Adam's sin.</b>	<b>Adam alone sinned but human race affected</b>	<b>Depravity is total; sin and guilt are imputed.</b>	<b>Presbyterians, others holding to Covenant theology</b>
<b>Augustinian View</b>	<b>Sin is imputed to humanity because of Adam's sin.</b>	<b>Humanity sinned in Adam.</b>	<b>Depravity is total; sin and guilt are imputed.</b>	<b>Reformers, later Calvinists</b>



## VIEWES OF THE IMPUTATION OF SIN

<b>Views</b>	<b>Romans 5:12</b>	<b>Adam</b>	<b>Humanity</b>	<b>Modern Adherents</b>
<b>Pelagian View</b>	<b>People incur death when they sin after Adam's example.</b>	<b>Sin affected Adam alone.</b>	<b>No one affected by Adam's sin.</b>	<b>Unitarians  R. C. have a semi- Pelagian view</b>
<b>Arminian View</b>	<b>All people consent to Adam's sin—then sin is imputed</b>	<b>Adam sinned and partially affected humanity</b>	<b>Depravity is not total; people received corrupt nature from Adam but not guilt or culpability.</b>	<b>Methodists, Wesleyans, Pentecostals, holiness groups</b>

## **Four Questions:**

**What is sin?**

**What is the penalty for sin?**

**What is the sin nature's relationship to the corporeal human body?**

**And how is this passed on?**

**Through one man sin entered the world  
and THE death through sin**

What Kind of **Death** is This?

**Eph 2:1, “And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,**

**Eph 2:2, “in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,”**

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