

The Greatest Letter Ever Written!

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Gen 2:16-17 "And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."



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Ps 51:5 "Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me."



"Every baby starts life as a little savage. He is completely selfish and self-centered. He wants what he wants when he wants it—his bottle, his mother's attention, his playmate's toy, his uncle's watch. Deny him these wants, and he seethes with rage and aggressiveness, which would be murderous, were he not so helpless. He is dirty. He has no morals, no knowledge, no skills. This means that all children, not just certain children, are born delinguent. If permitted to continue in the self-centered world of his infancy, given free reign to his impulsive actions to satisfy his wants, every child would grow up a criminal, a thief, a killer, a rapist" quoted by Ray Stedman, "From Guilt to Glory," p. 131

Heb 7:9-10 "One might even say that Levi himself, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, for he was still in the loins of his ancestor when Melchizedek met him."

"As long as people sin <u>as</u> Adam sinned they die. <u>Death did not pass on</u> to Abraham and Isaac" Pelagius

"No human being is born guilty before God because of Adam's sin, but we are all condemned for our own sins." Baptist preacher

"there was no law until Moses, and where there is no law, there cannot be any transgression of the law, and so sin cannot be put into the account of anyone. Only Adam had a specific command that he violated; therefore, his sin should affect only himself." Jews of Paul's day

V13 "for sin indeed was in the world <u>before</u> the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a <u>type</u> of the one who was to come."

