

Questions 35

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Q35. What effect had the sin of Adam on all mankind?

A35. All mankind are born in a state of sin and misery.

Scripture Base: Gen 3:8, 24; Ps 51:5,10;
Rom 5:19, 3:10, 23, 6:23; Eph 2:1,3; Gal 3:10.

Doctrine: WCF 6, SC 17-19

Supplementary Questions

1. What does it mean that we are born in a state of sin?

2. What does it mean that we are born in a state of misery?

Songs: “10 Commandments”, “Adam & Eve”,
“Jesus Our Redeemer” – Judy Rogers

Teaching Notes

Review Q34. Did Adam act for himself alone in the covenant of works? - *No; he represented all his posterity.*

Reading: Psalm 51

Questions

1a. We are guilty of Adam’s sin (Rom. 5:19). God looks at us as though we were in the Garden of Eden and ate from that forbidden tree.

b. We no longer want to do what’s right (Rom. 3:10), but only what’s wrong (Eph. 2:1; both the lack of original righteousness [the desire to do good] and the presence of original sin [the desire to do wrong]; this second aspect will be dealt with in Q36).

c. We actually do things that are wrong (Matt. 15:19).

2a. We no longer have fellowship with God (Gen 3:8 24).

b. We deserve His anger and His curse (Eph. 2:3; Gal. 3:10); the opposite of blessing; we don’t deserve anything good).

c. We deserve every hurtful and painful thing that can happen to us in life.

d. We deserve to die (Rom. 6:23).

e. We deserve to be punished in hell forever (Matt. 25:41).

Gospel: Do you ever do anything wrong? Why? - It’s because of the effects of Adam’s sin. Unless Jesus takes away your sin and changes your heart so that you really love what God loves and want to do what pleases Him, you are in danger of hell. You must turn from your sins (repent) and trust in Jesus (faith) to bring you safely to heaven. Jesus is gracious and wants you to come to Him. If you do, He will not turn you away (John 6:37).

Extras: Memory verses - Rom 3:10, 23

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