

ROMANS 5:16-17

16 *And the gift (J.C), is not like that which came through the one that sinned (Adam)*

COMPARATIVE CLAUSE

for on the one hand the judgment arose from one transgression resulting in condemnation [AOS imputed to us at birth], but on the other hand the free gift [Christ's atonement – our personal sins imputed to Him] arose from many trespasses resulting in justification (+R imputed to us at salvation).

COMPARATIVE CLAUSE EXPLAINED

17 *For if, by the trespass of the one man (Adam), death reigned through that one man (AOS), MUCH MORE*

PROTASIS

A fortiori

those (mature believers) who receive God's abundant provision of grace (Blessings in time) and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life (Blessing in eternity) through the one man, Jesus Christ.

APODOSIS