Adam, the Last:

1. Christ was not born with a sin nature and consequently did not receive the imputation of Adam's Original sin, and furthermore, did not produce any personal sin, in contrast to the first Adam.

2. The typology of the two Adam's, then, can only be carried a certain distance. It cannot be carried into their persons because as persons they were quite different. Adam was unique because he was created perfect and fell. Christ was unique because He is the God-Man and remained in His humanity impeccable.

3. The first Adam brought condemnation on the entire human race, while the last Adam brings salvation to the human race.

4. Because of the first Adam, the justice of God condemns man, but because of the last Adam the justice of God is free to provide blessing for man: beginning at salvation through imputed righteousness and justification.

5. Therefore, while the human race is born spiritually dead because of Adam, the human race is born again in Christ.

6. The believer in Christ through salvation adjustment to the integrity of God has been placed in a greater position than that which was lost by Adam in the garden. Hence, the believer is not restored to the status of Adam before the fall, he is restored to something far greater than Adam ever had. Adam possessed everlasting life given a day at a time and possessed perfect human righteousness. The Christian through Christ possesses eternal life and God's perfect imputed righteousness.

7. **Romans 5:16**, "In fact, the grace-gift [refers to the Lord's humanity being judged for the sins of the world] *is* not like that which came through one [Adam] who sinned [is not like the result of one man's sin]. For on the one hand, judgment [of real spiritual death of Adam and his progeny]

came from one transgression [Adam's Original Sin] resulting in condemnation [to Adam at the time of his sin and to his progeny at birth]. But on the other hand, that gracious gift [substitutionary spiritual death of Jesus] *was given* because of many transgressions [many personal sins in the human race as a result of Adam's sin] resulting in justification [the work of justification was accomplished on the cross for all humanity]."

8. The real spiritual death of Adam and his progeny created the problem; the substitutionary spiritual death of Jesus on the cross solved the problem. The 1st Adam through his sin brought about our condemnation at birth; the 2nd Adam removed our condemnation through his work of Justification on the cross to those who appropriate that work through faith alone in Christ alone. The first Adam committed one sin and the entire human race came under condemnation because of that one sin. The last Adam was judged for all sins and the entire human race is eligible for justification (declared righteous and qualified to live with God).

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