

**Christian World View**

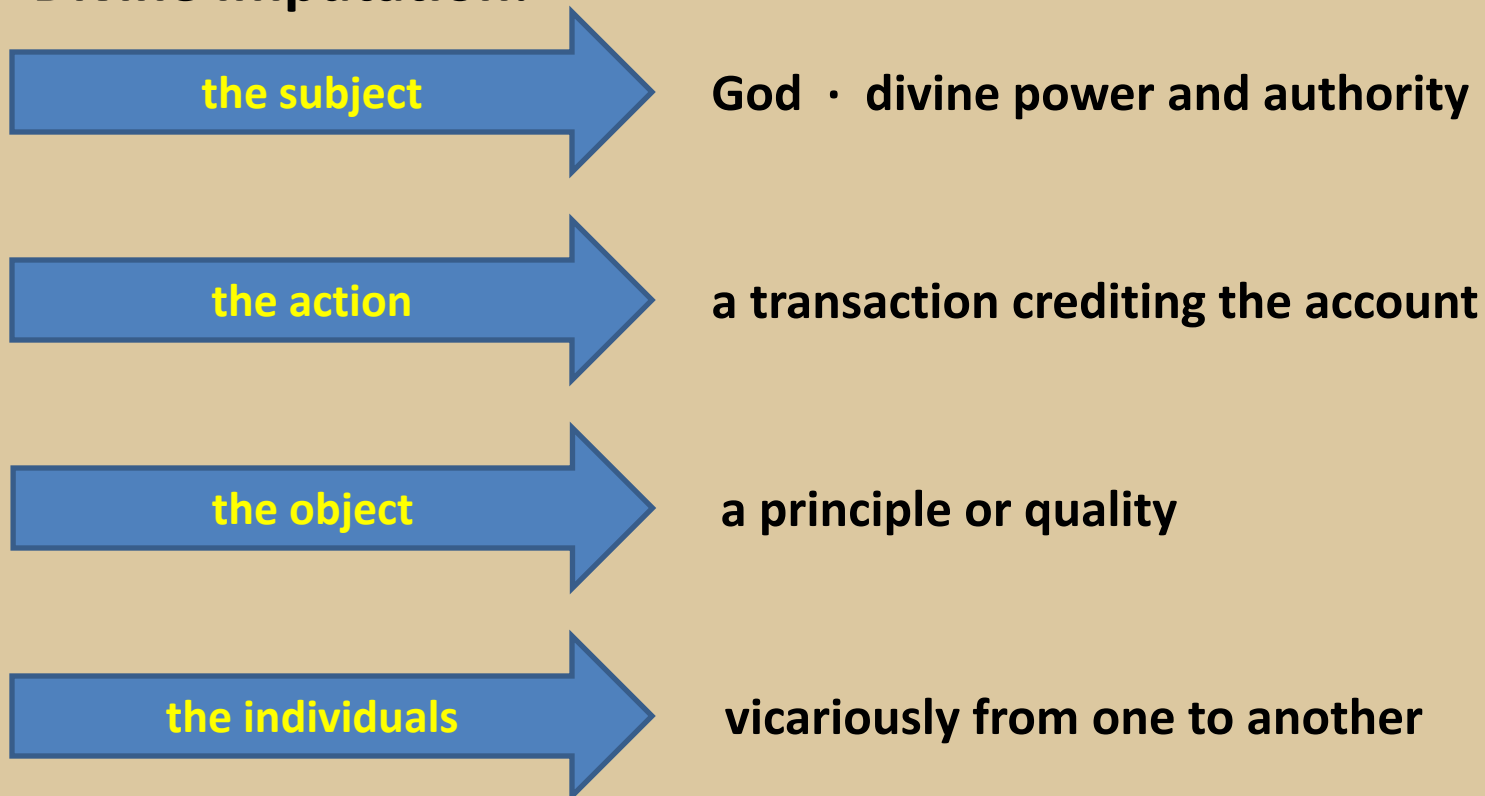
**Salvation**

**Imputation**

# The Doctrine of Imputation

**Imputation** ➔ to consider, to count, to credit  
to attribute or ascribe something to someone  
to reckon to one what rightly belongs to another

## Divine Imputation:



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## The Three Biblical Imputations

**1<sup>st</sup> imputation** = Adam's sin to all mankind

**Romans 5:12-21 · 1 Corinthians 15:21-22**

*"Therefore, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—" (Romans 5:12).*

**2<sup>nd</sup> imputation** = the chosen's sin to Christ on the cross

**Isaiah 53:6 · Galatians 3:13 · 2 Corinthians 5:21 · 1 Peter 2:24**

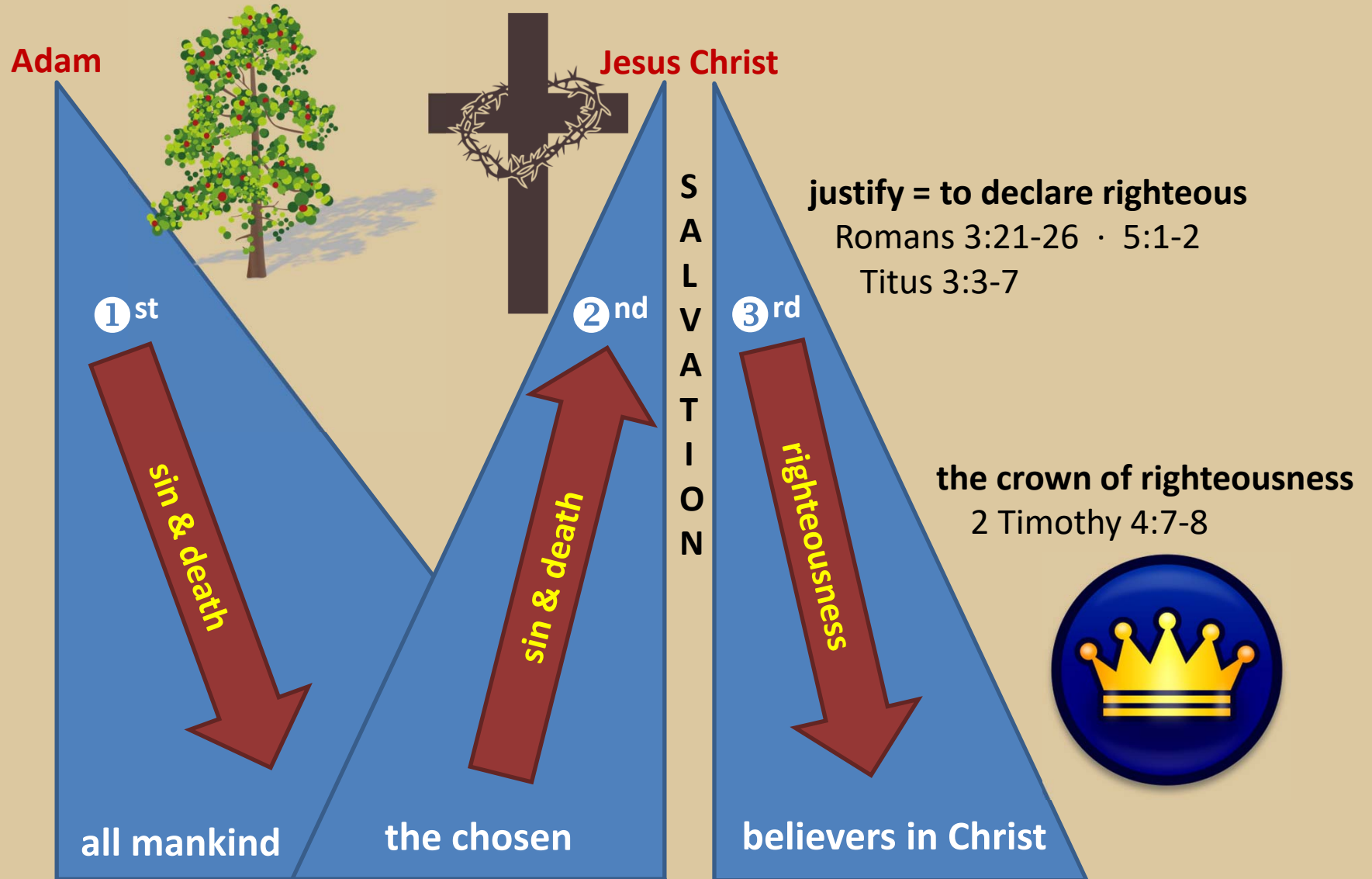
*"He (God) made Him (Christ) who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that (purpose) we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Corinthians 5:21).*

**3<sup>rd</sup> imputation** = Christ's righteousness to believers in Him

**Romans 4:1-12; 22-25 · 2 Corinthians 5:21 · Romans 3:24-26**

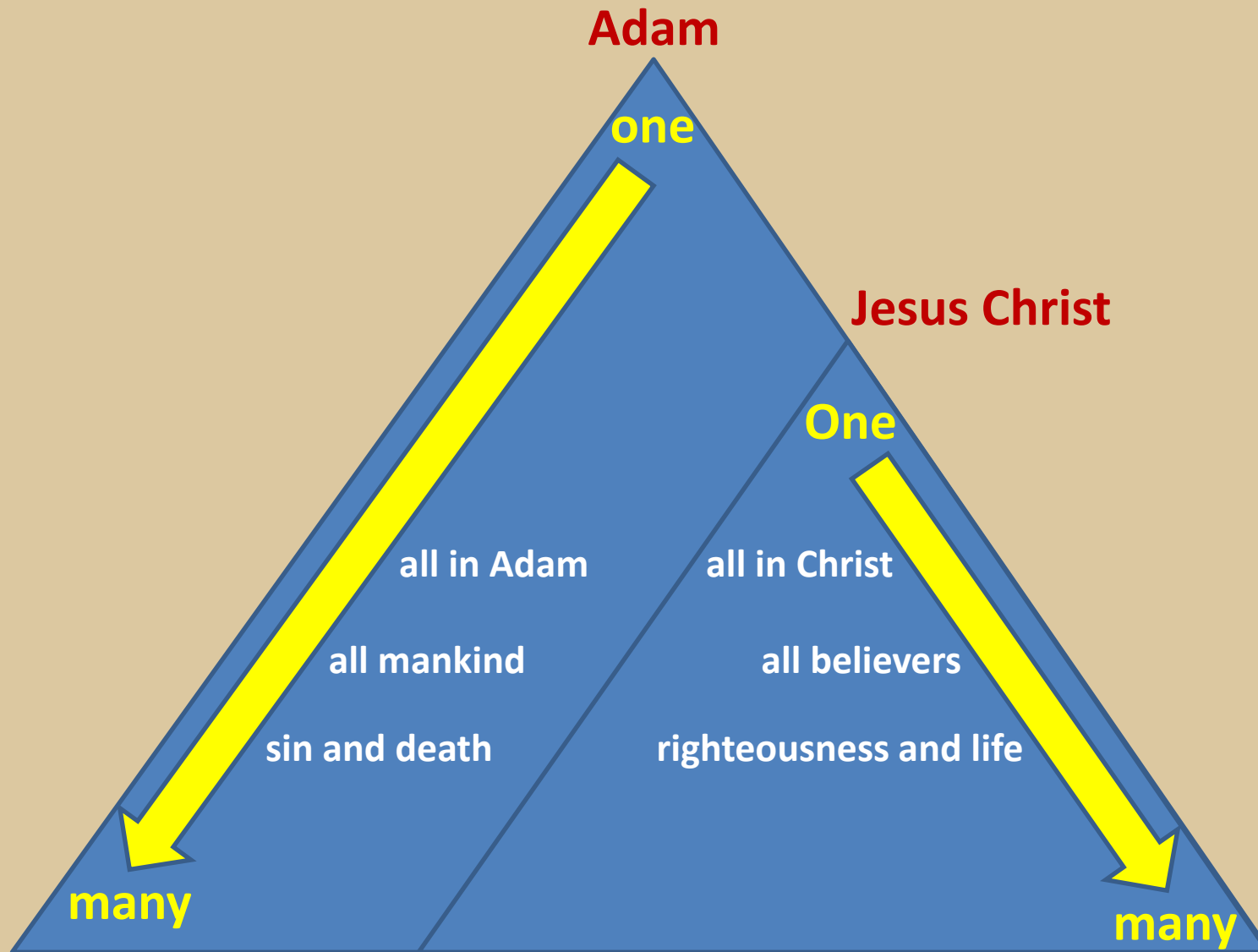
*"Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to Him as righteousness" (Romans 4:3, Galatians 3:6, James 2:23). ➡ Genesis 15:6*

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Romans 5:12-21

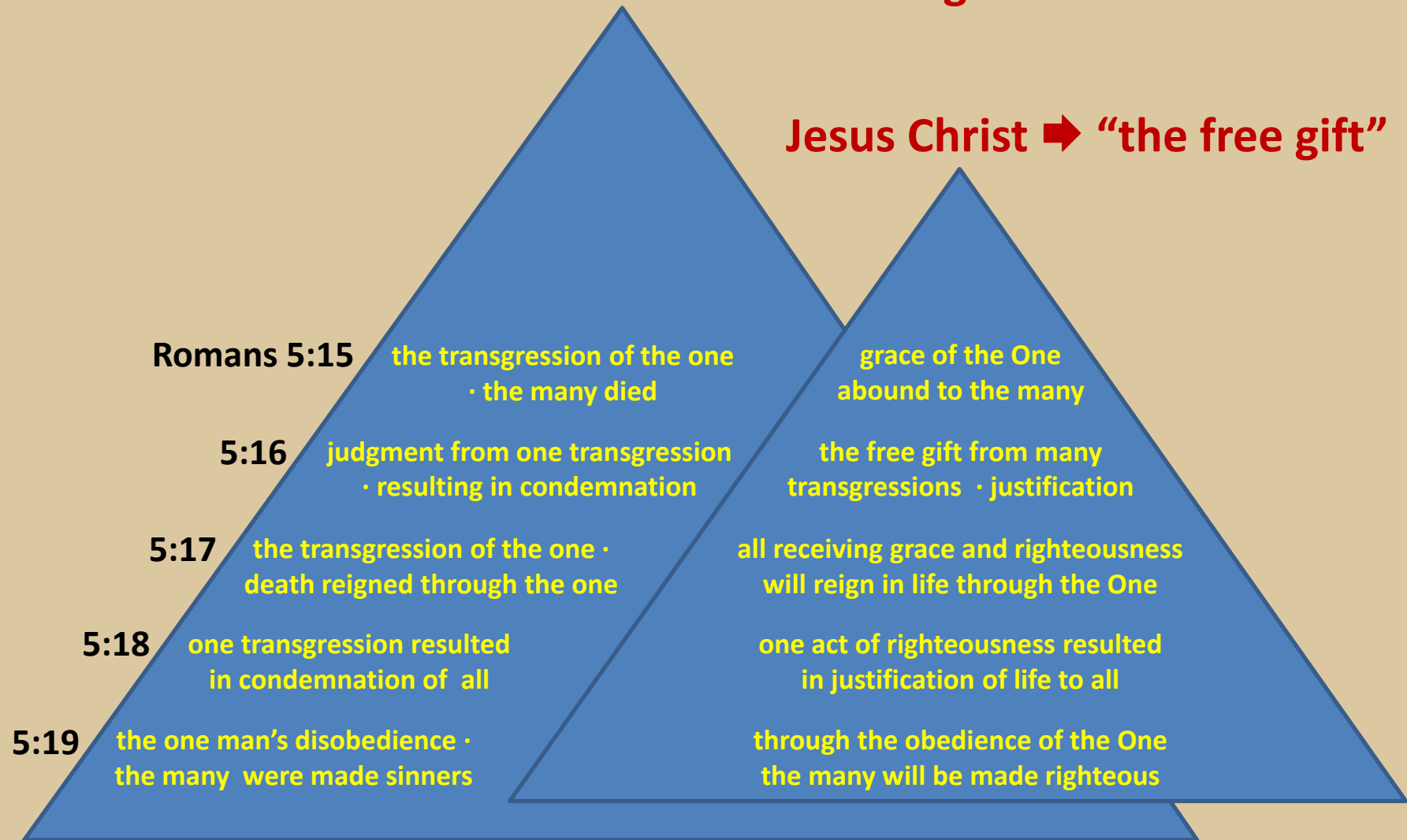


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## Romans 5:12-21

Adam ➡ “the transgression”

Jesus Christ ➡ “the free gift”



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imputed righteousness ← versus → infused righteousness

## The Latin Vulgate

**iustificare** = Latin (present active, infinitive) = **to make righteous**

**iustus** = righteousness, justice + **ficare** = to make, to shape, to do

**iustifico** = Latin (present active) root

1. act justly toward, do justice to
2. forgive, pardon
3. justify, make just
4. vindicate

**Roman Catholic view: infused righteousness** | cooperative work of God and man  
Man needs grace, faith, and Christ to help make him righteous  
and then God will pronounce him righteous.

**Augustine:** *When God rewards our merits, He crowns nothing but his own gifts.*

## The Greek New Testament

**dikaiosune** = Greek (noun) = **to declare righteous**

**The Reformation view:**

Martin Luther: **justia alienum** = Latin = **alien righteousness**  
righteousness outside of self & apart from self  
➡ the righteousness of Christ (*sola* = alone)