

Pastor Dieter's 3 Points of Theology*

(Teaching Notes)

❖ People are a lot worse than they think they are!

- **Personal Sin** “we sin because we’re sinners...”
 - Verses: **Romans 7:8, 3:9-20**
 - Penalty: Christians→ loss of fellowship; Non-Christians→ sickness, death, etc.
- **Inherited Sin** “like begets like...”
 - Other names: Original Sin, Inherited Corruption
 - Verses: **Psalms 51:5, 58:3; Isaiah 48:8; Ephesians 2:1-3**
 - Penalty: Spiritual death (think of Adam and Eve)
- **Imputed Sin**
 - Other names: Inherited Guilt
 - Verses: **Romans 5:12-19, 3:23**
 - Illustration (seminal/realistic/Augustinian): Levi paying tithes to Melchizedek “through Abraham” in Hebrews 7:9
 - Penalty: Physical death

❖ God's grace is a lot bigger than we think it is!

- Basis: **Ephesians 2:1-10; Titus 2:11, 3:4-7**
- Aspects of **Grace**
 - *Sufficient*→ **Romans 5:20; 2 Corinthians 5:18-19**
 - *Irresistible*→ **Ephesians 1:3-12** (think of Paul in Acts 26:9-18 and Galatians 1:15)
 - *Prevenient* (comes first)→ **1 John 4:7-11, 19; Romans 5:8; Revelation 13:8**
 - *Efficacious* (produces the desired effect)→ **Romans 8:28-30; Hebrews 12:2; Philippians 1:6**

❖ It's Jesus, (stupid)!

- **The Gospel:** **Acts 16:30-31→ 1 Corinthians 15:1-4**
- The bottom line→ **Colossians 2:6-10**

* Points 1 and 2 from Jack Miller