

# **Ephesians 2:1-3**

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Trespasses & Sins**

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A Thought About Chapters & Verses:

- Though various forms of organizing the Bible existed before then, the chapters and verses of the Bible as we know them were developed in the 16th century to improve ease of use for the masses who now had access to the Bible.

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The same power at work in Christ is at work toward us who believe but for opposite reasons:

- Christ's Death and ours...
- Christ's resurrection and ours...
- Christ's enthronement and ours...
- In sum, Ephesians 2:8-10!

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“And we were dead in our trespasses and sins...”

- Genesis 2:16-17
- Romans 6:23
- Romans 7:9
- James 1:13-15

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- **Pelagius:** we are born in innocence, sin is bad habits, we can live sinless life;
- **Augustine:** we are born in sin, sin has devastated us and we are dead;
- **Semi-Pelagians:** we are born in sin, sin has partially devastated us, we are diseased.
- **Council of Orange:** Agrees with Augustine

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- 2 Corinthians 4:4
- Isaiah 42:20
- 1 Corinthians 2:14
- Romans 3:10-11 & Mark 12:30
- Proverbs 1:29 & 1 Corinthians 10:31
- Romans 8:5-8

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Think with me about the nature and  
consequences of the first sin

(Genesis 3:14-19 & James 2:10-11)

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A Final Thought:

“Until we really behold the horror of the pit in which by nature we lie, we can never properly appreciate Christ’s so-great salvation.” A. W. Pink