



*UNORIGINAL  
SIN*

Jeremiah 18:12



# THE ORIGINS

- The doctrine is universally credited to Augustine of Hippo.
- It is the idea that we are guilty not just because of what we have done, but because of who we are from birth.
- Augustine looked within himself to discover this doctrine (Jer. 17:9).
- Then he looked for scriptures to back up his idea (Rom. 5:12; Psa. 51:5).

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# *THE MOTIVES*

- This would seem like a hard doctrine to believe.
- It was a doctrine that helped the Catholic church increase power.
- Many believe that it puts man into a properly humble place (Rom 3:23).



# *THE TRUTH*

- If Romans 5 teaches the universal inheritance of sin, then it also teaches the universal inheritance of salvation.
- Psalm 51:5 and Psalm 22:9-10 can't both be literally true.
- God says we can change, men say we can't (Jer. 18:12).
- Children are a synonym for innocence (Matt. 18:3-4; 19:14; 1 Cor. 14:20).