The Transmission of the Sinful Nature

Remembering and Forgetting Sin at Conception

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There are etymological reasons for supposing that Adam's “original sin” is ***remembered*** through the ***male*** line, but that the sin is ***forgotten*** through the ***female*** line. Certainly this would tie in with the fact that everyone of two Adamic parents has innate sin in them (Rm 3:23, Rm 5:25, Rm 7:17, Jn 7:19), whereas Christ, who was sinless (Heb 4:15, 1 Jn 3:5), did not have a (biological) human father but had a human mother, and no sin was transmitted to this Son of hers.

Here is the etymological case.

***Concerning “male”:***

* The Hebrew word for *male* is זָכָר, zākhār (Strong's 2145).
* The Hebrew word for *remember* is זָכַר, zākhar (Strong's 2142).

The difference between these words is a vowel pointing, giving a short "a" in the second syllable of zākhar.

***Concerning “female”:***

* The Hebrew word for *woman* is אִשָּׁה, ish-shāh, plural נָשִׁים, nāshim, (Strong's 802), as if from נָשָׁה, nāshāh.
* A Hebrew word for *forget* is נָשָׁה, nāshāh (Strong's 5382).

The word for *forget* is used causatively in Gen 41:51 (AV quoted):

And Joseph called the name of the firstborn **Manasseh**: For God, said he, hath **made me forget** all my toil, and all my father's house.