



# THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS

*Salvation by Grace Through Faith*

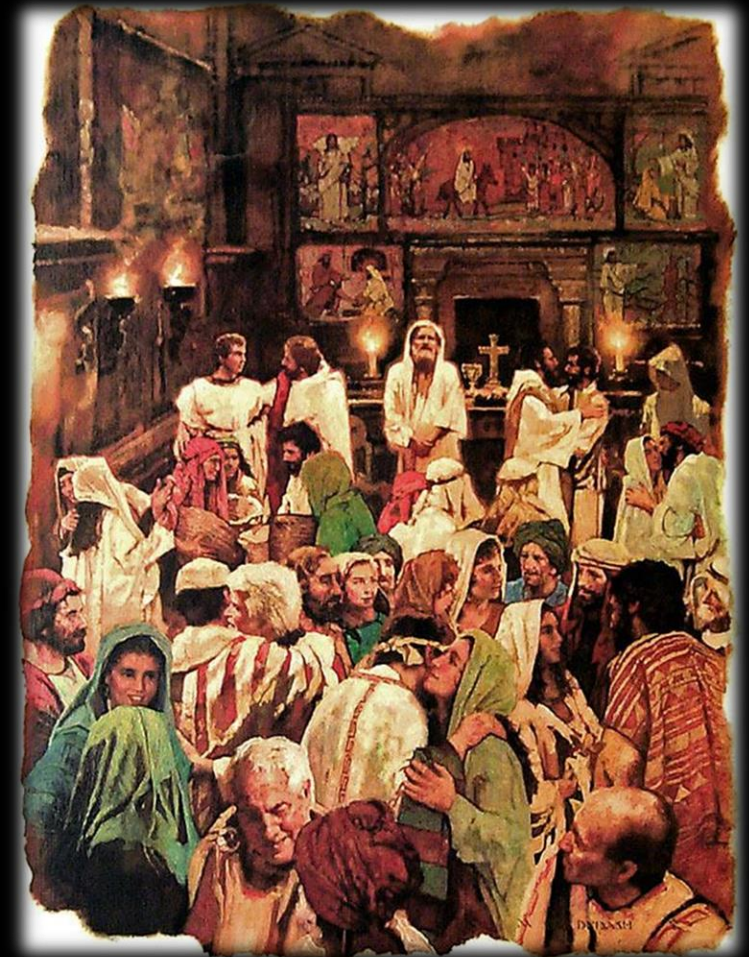
# THE LETTER

- Paul wrote this letter around **AD 56**, while in **Corinth**, toward the **end of his 3<sup>rd</sup> missionary journey**.
- Paul dictated the letter to **Tertius**. (16:22)
- A ministry co-worker, **Phoebe**, probably hand delivered the letter. (16:1-2)
- Paul had never been to the church, but he prayed for them regularly. (1:13, 9-10)



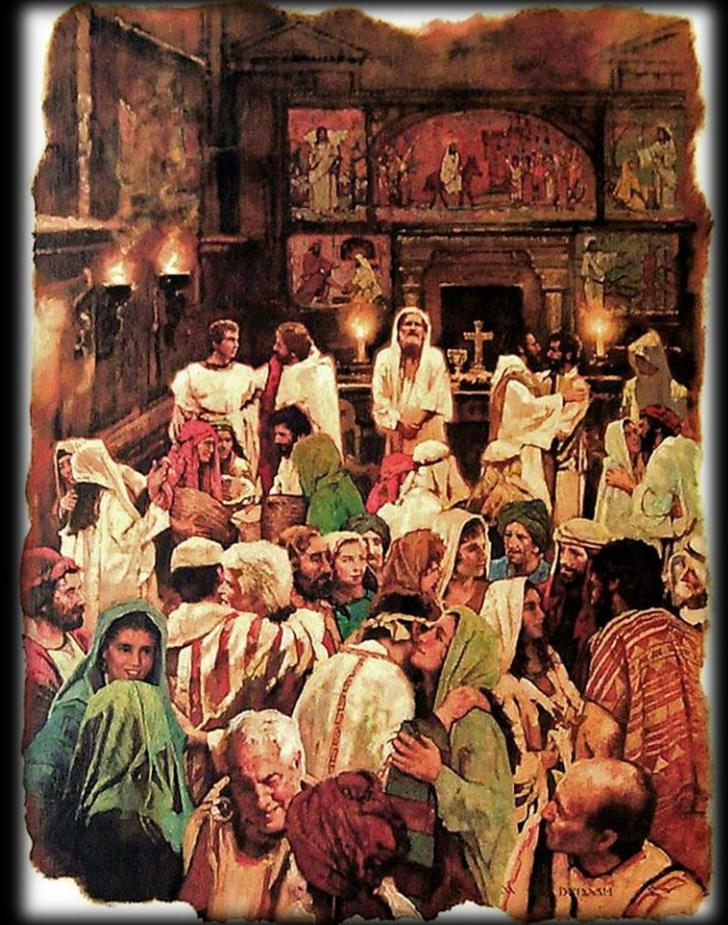
# THE CHURCH

- The church in Rome was strong and well known. (1:8)
- Perhaps founded by “visitors from Rome” who were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. (Acts 2:10)



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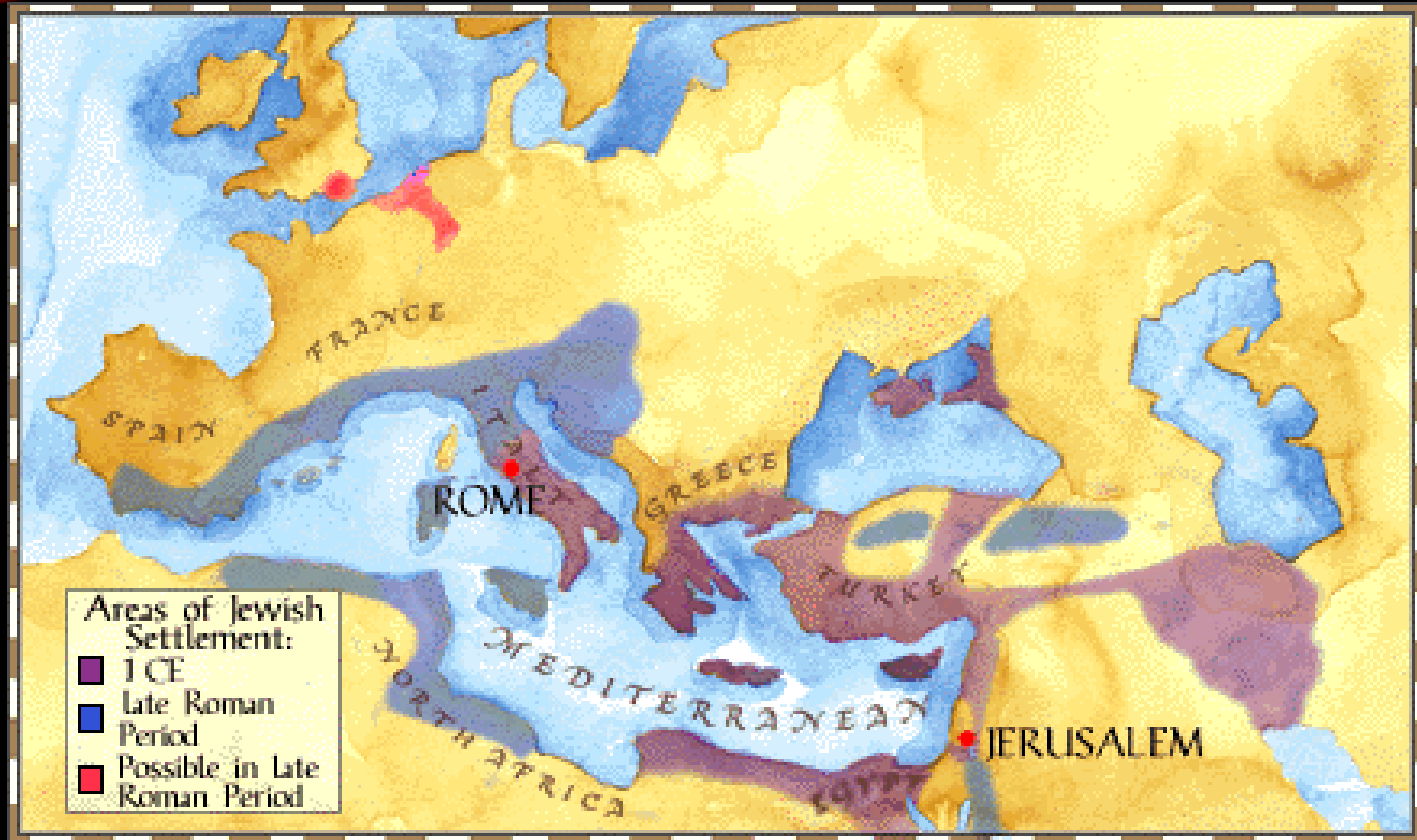
- Paul wanted to **visit them, impart spiritual gifts to them, be encouraged by them, then go to Spain preaching the gospel.** (1:11-12)
- Paul hoped that they would become **ministry supporters.** (15:24)



# THE ROMAN EMPIRE



# SPREAD OF EARLY CHRISTIAN FAITH



# THE MESSAGE

- In this letter, Paul introduces himself and the gospel he preached to the church in Rome.
- Inspired by the Holy Spirit, this is a systematic presentation of the message of salvation!



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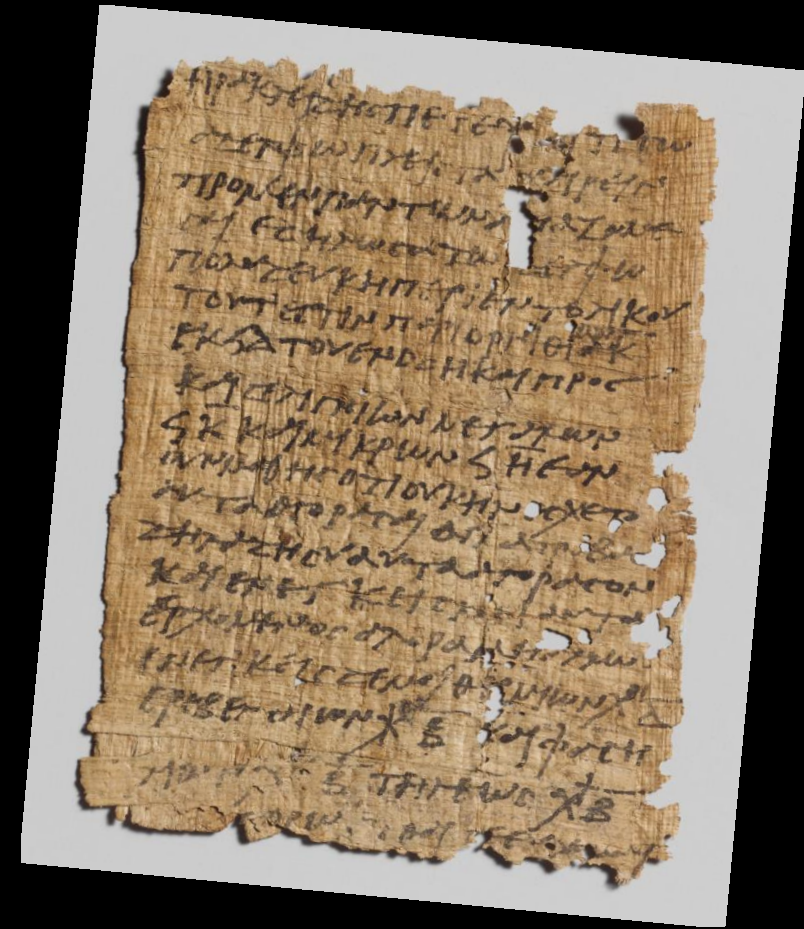
- Though it introduces Paul to the Romans, it is not about Paul. It's **about the gospel of Jesus Christ**. For instance, in 1:1-17 there are 11 references to Jesus Christ!
- Since Paul did not know the church, he does not address specific local issues. Instead, he focuses on the major theme of **salvation** and a **transformed life**.





# OUTLINE

- I. Introduction (1:1-17)
- II. All Have Sinned (1:18-3:20)
- III. Salvation By Grace Through Faith (3:21-5:21)
- IV. Victory Over Sin (6:1-8:39)
- V. Israel and the Church (9:1-11:36)
- VI. Practical Life (12:1-15:13)
- VII. Personal Greetings (16:1-24)
- VIII. Benediction (16:25-27)

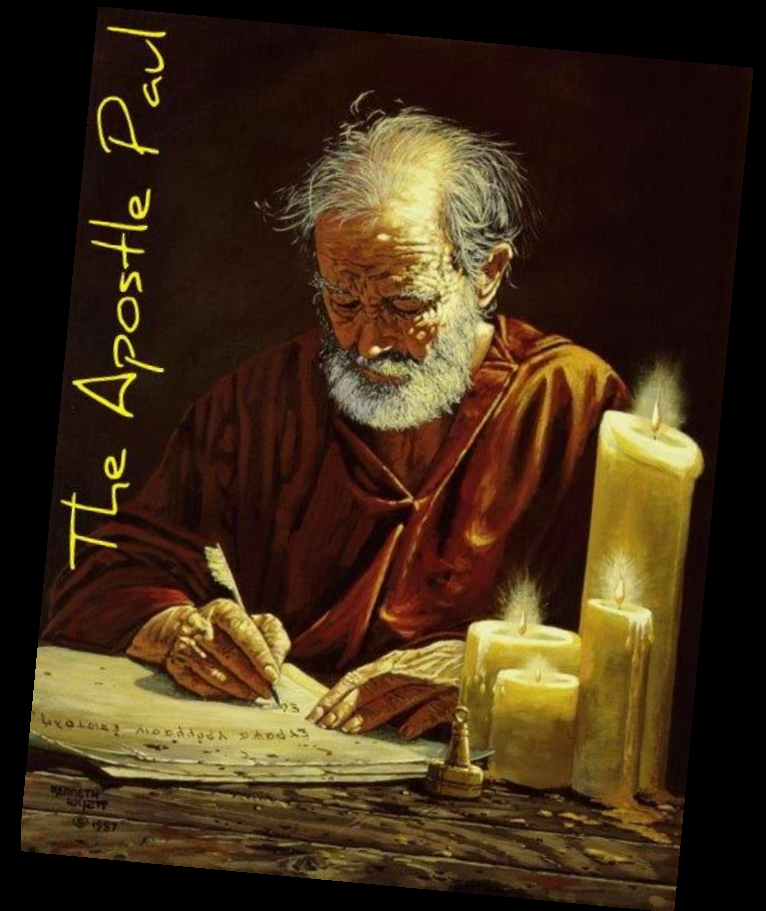


# SERVANT AND APOSTLE

## ➤ Romans 1:1

Paul, a **servant** of Christ Jesus, **called** to be an **apostle**, **set apart** for the gospel of God,

Paul asserts his apostolic authority while at the same time acknowledging that, regardless of your position, you never outgrow being “**a servant of Christ Jesus.**”



# “CONCERNING HIS SON...”

## ➤ Romans 1:2-4

<sup>2</sup> which he **promised beforehand** through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, <sup>3</sup> **concerning his Son**, who was descended **from David according to the flesh** <sup>4</sup> and was declared to be **the Son of God in power according to the Spirit** of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, **Jesus Christ our Lord,**



# FROM GOD, THROUGH CHRIST, TO US

## Romans 1:5-7

<sup>5</sup> through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, <sup>6</sup> including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, <sup>7</sup> To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.



# I AM PRAYING FOR YOU

## Romans 1:8-10

<sup>8</sup> **First, I thank** my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. <sup>9</sup> For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing **I mention you** <sup>10</sup> always in my prayers, **asking that** somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you.



# PRAYER MODEL

**A** **prayer**

doration

*Praising God for all that He is*

**C** onfession

*Laying down our disobedience at His feet*

**T** hanksgiving

*Thinking Him for what He has given*

**S** upplication

*Making our requests known to Him*

*What is prayer?*

*Prayer is simply conversation with God. The A.C.T.S. model serves as an outline to help you talk with Him.*

*Read more about prayer at [SeeMoxRun.com](http://SeeMoxRun.com) under the Faith page.*

# IMPART SPIRITUAL GIFT

## Romans 1:11-12

<sup>11</sup> For I long to see you, **that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you**— <sup>12</sup> that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

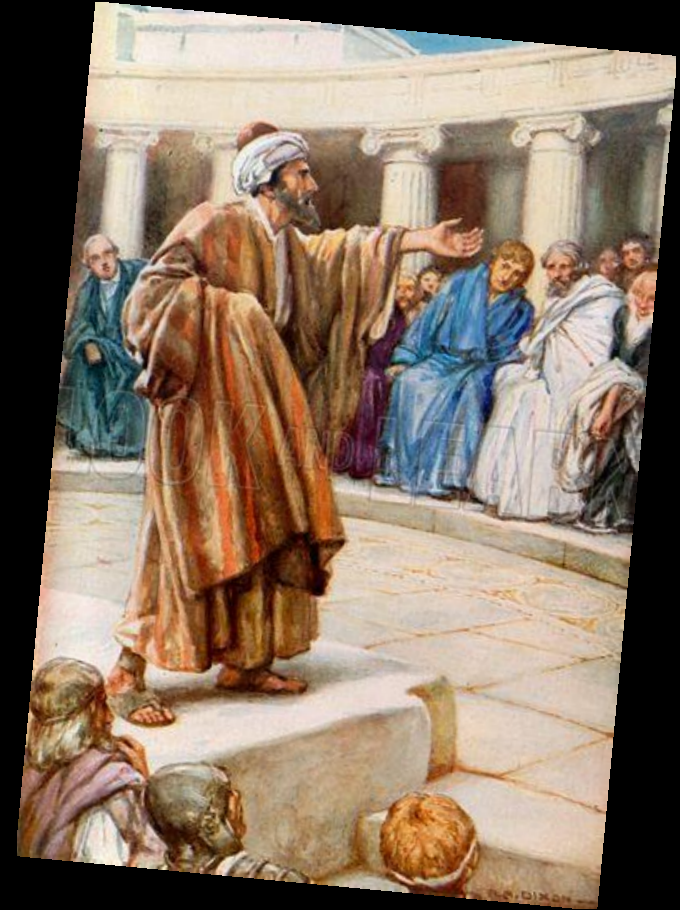
Some things are taught, others are caught!



# INDEBTED TO PROCLAIM

## Romans 1:13-15

<sup>13</sup> I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I **have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented)**, in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. <sup>14</sup> I **am under obligation** both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. <sup>15</sup> So I **am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.**





# POWER TO SAVE

## Romans 1:16

<sup>16</sup> For I am not ashamed of **the gospel**, for it is **the power of God** for **salvation** to **everyone who believes**, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

When the gospel is proclaimed, faith releases the power of God to save the one who believes!



# THROUGH FAITH

## Romans 1:16

<sup>17</sup> For in it the righteousness of God is revealed **from faith for faith**, as it is written, “**The righteous shall live by faith.**”

Spiritual life begins and is sustained through faith!

