

# Romans





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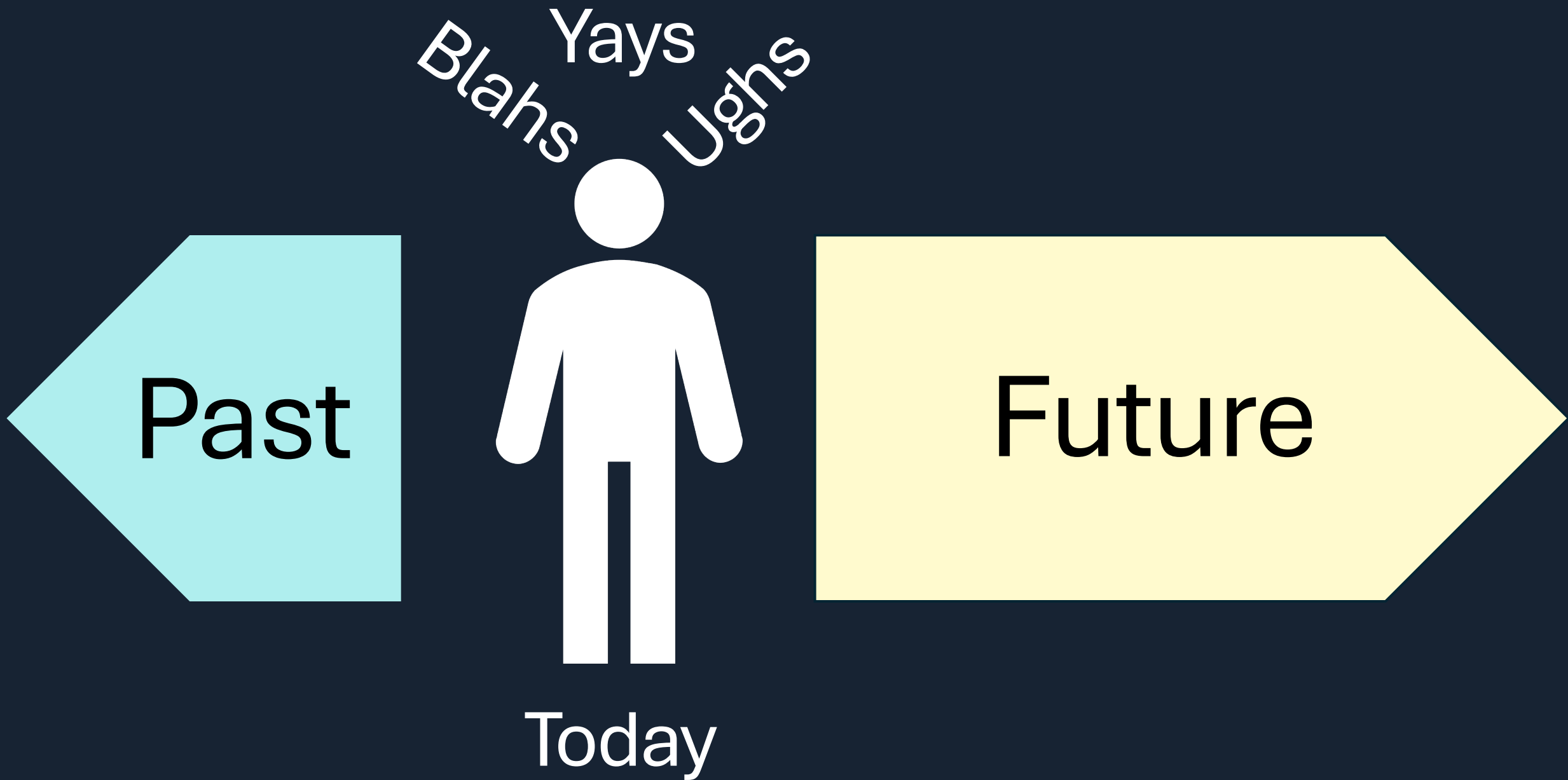


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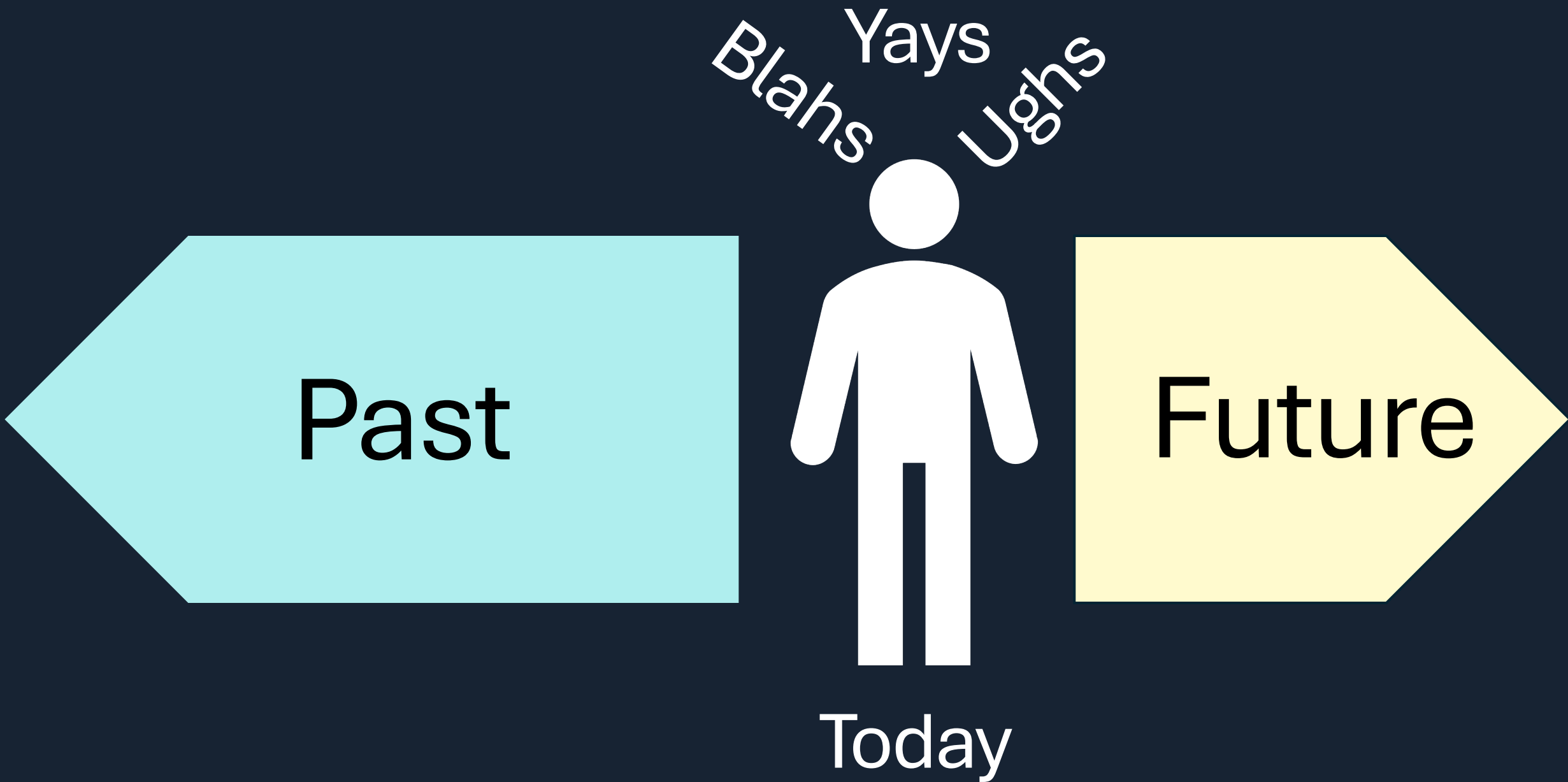
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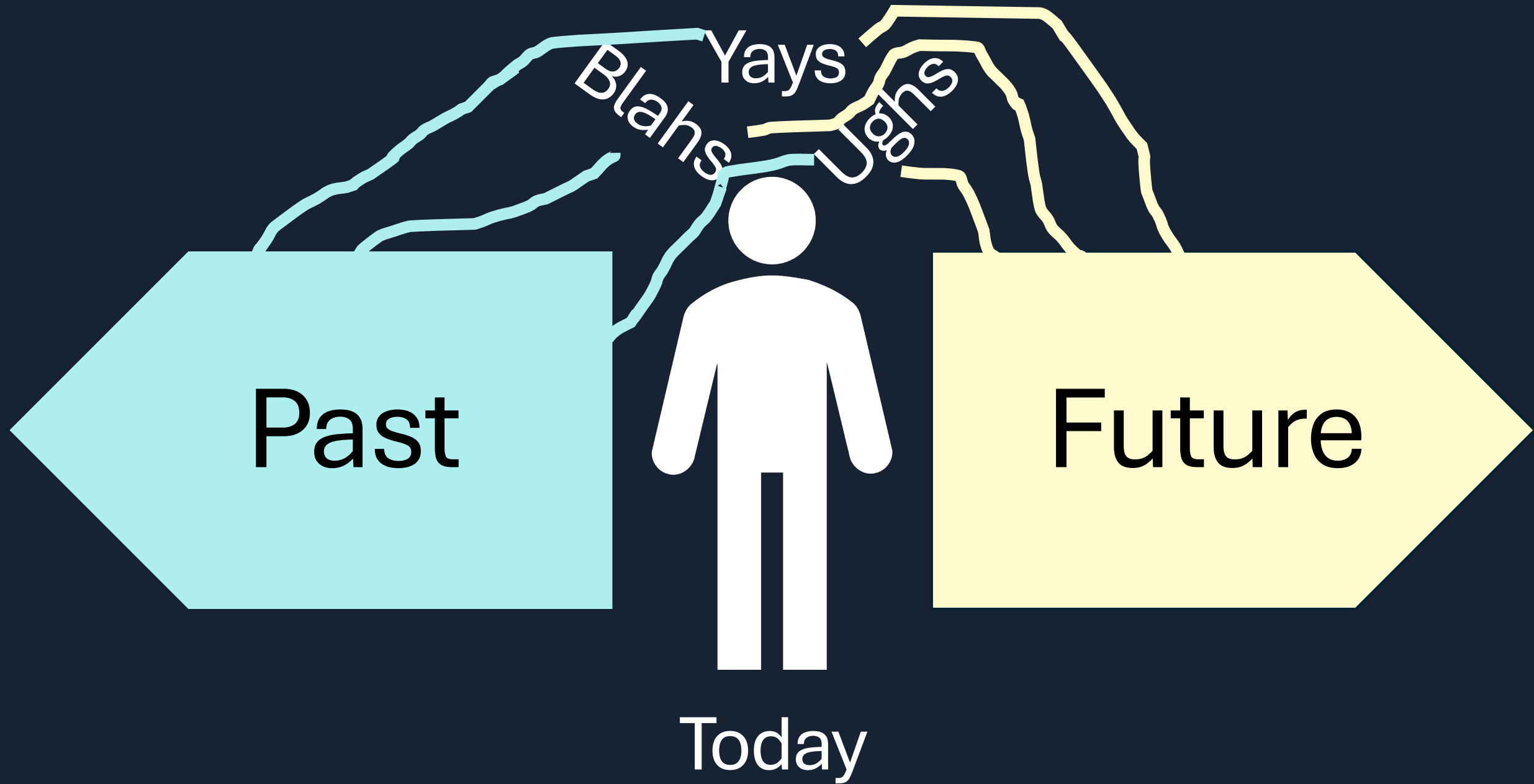
















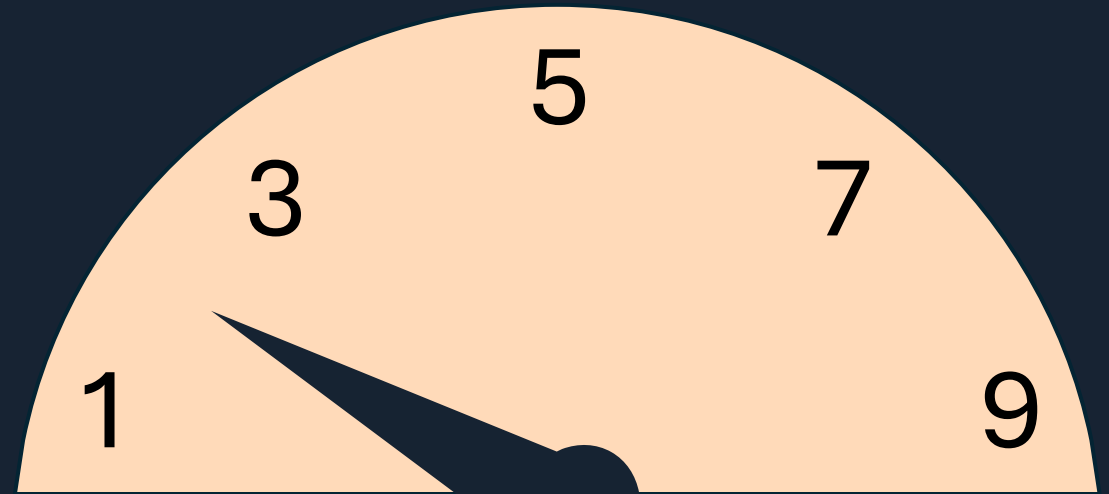
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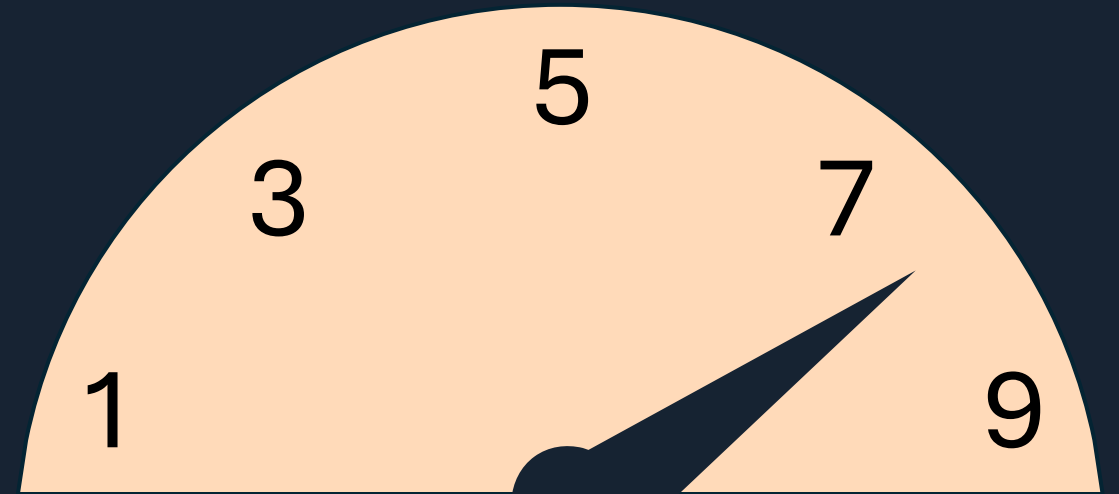
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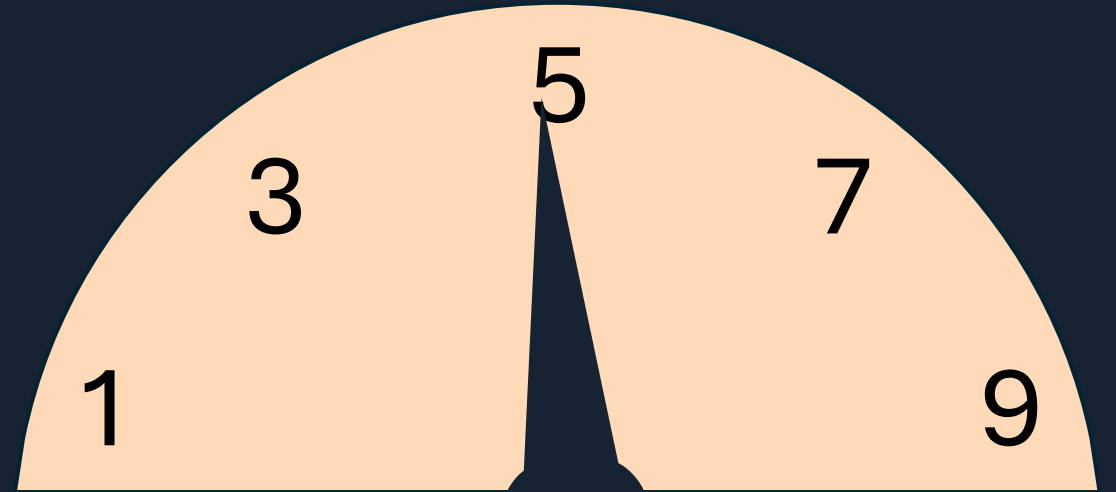
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5:1-5 (or 8)

Points for Home





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# ROME

Population – 750k - +1mm

Jews – 40,000 to 60,000





# ROME

Church – Begins Jewish, but adds Gentiles





Emperor Claudius  
(41-54AD)

“Iudaeos impulsore Chresto  
assidue tumultuantis  
Roma expulit”  
Seutonius, *De Vita Caesarum*

~49 AD, “He expelled from  
Rome the Jews who were  
constantly making disturbances  
at the instigation of Chrestus”

## Acts 18:1-2

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome.

## Acts 18:1-2

Μετὰ ταῦτα χωρισθεὶς ἐκ τῶν Ἀθηνῶν ἦλθεν εἰς Κόρινθον. καὶ εὗρών τινα Ἰουδαῖον ὀνόματι Ἀκύλαν, Ποντικὸν τῷ γένει προσφάτως ἐληλυθότα ἀπὸ τῆς Ἰταλίας καὶ Πρίσκιλλαν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ, διὰ τὸ διατεταχέναι Κλαύδιον χωρίζεσθαι πάντας τοὺς Ἰουδαίους ἀπὸ τῆς Ῥώμης



Jews return after Claudius's  
death on October 13, 54AD

Emperor Claudius  
(41-54AD)

Rom. 16:3-4

Greet Prisca and Aquila,  
my fellow workers in  
Christ Jesus, who risked  
their necks for my life...

Rom. 16:3-4

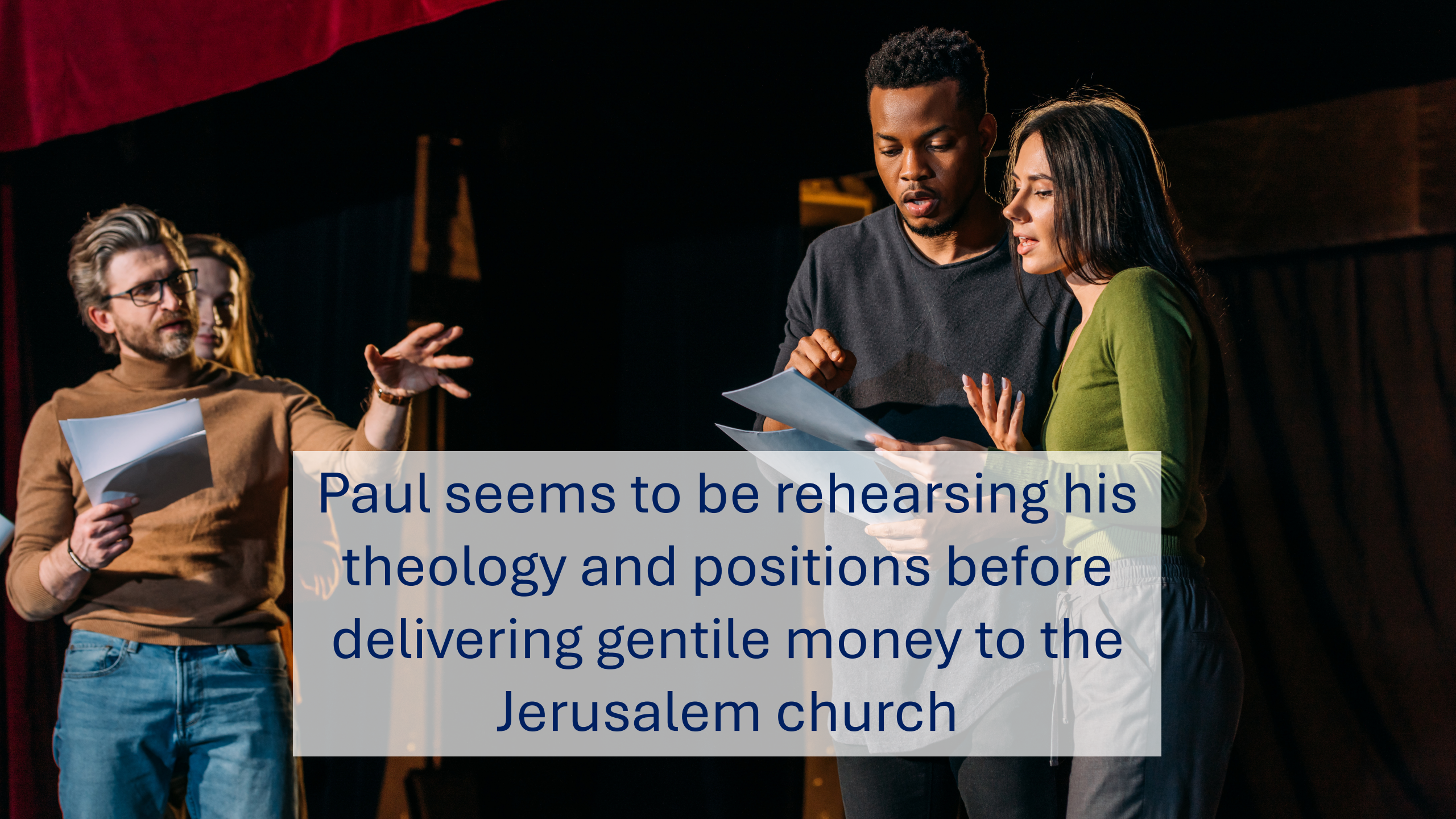
Ἀσπάσασθε Πρίσκαν καὶ  
Ἀκύλαν τοὺς συνεργούς  
μου ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ,  
οἵτινες ὑπὲρ τῆς ψυχῆς μου  
τὸν ἑαυτῶν τράχηλον  
ὑπέθηκαν...



# Paul writes from Corinth








Paul seems to be rehearsing his theology and positions before delivering gentile money to the Jerusalem church

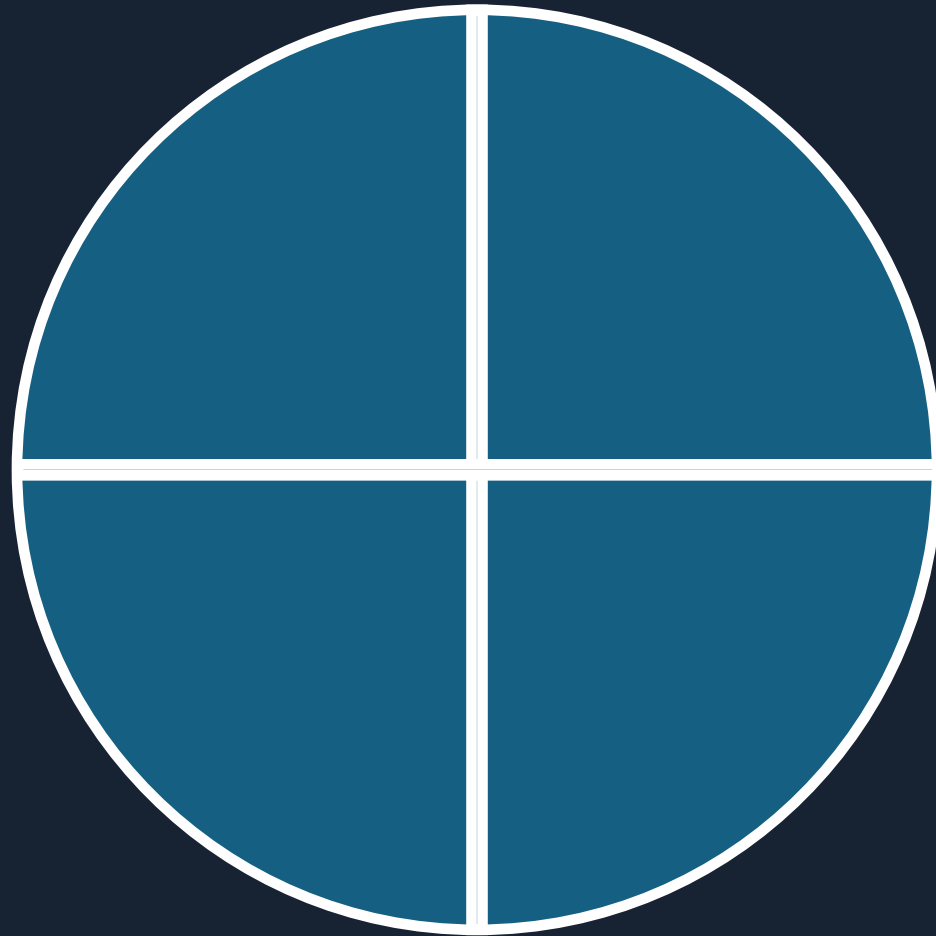


A detailed oil painting of a man with a long, dark beard and balding head, wearing a vibrant red robe over a dark green tunic. He is seated at a wooden desk, leaning forward as he writes with a quill pen in an open book. On the desk, there are several other items: a closed book with a yellow cover to the left, a large open book in the center, a rolled-up scroll to the right, and a small stack of papers or cards in front of him. The background is dark and indistinct, focusing attention on the man and his work. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the man's face and the red of his robe.

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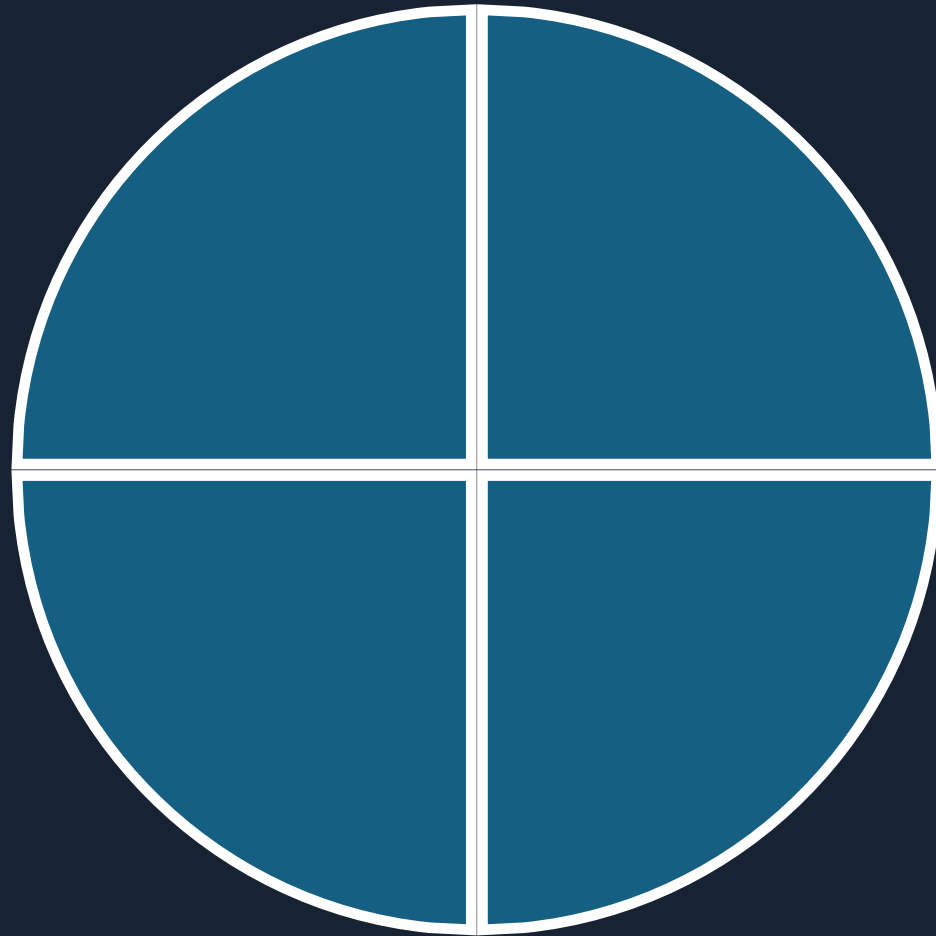
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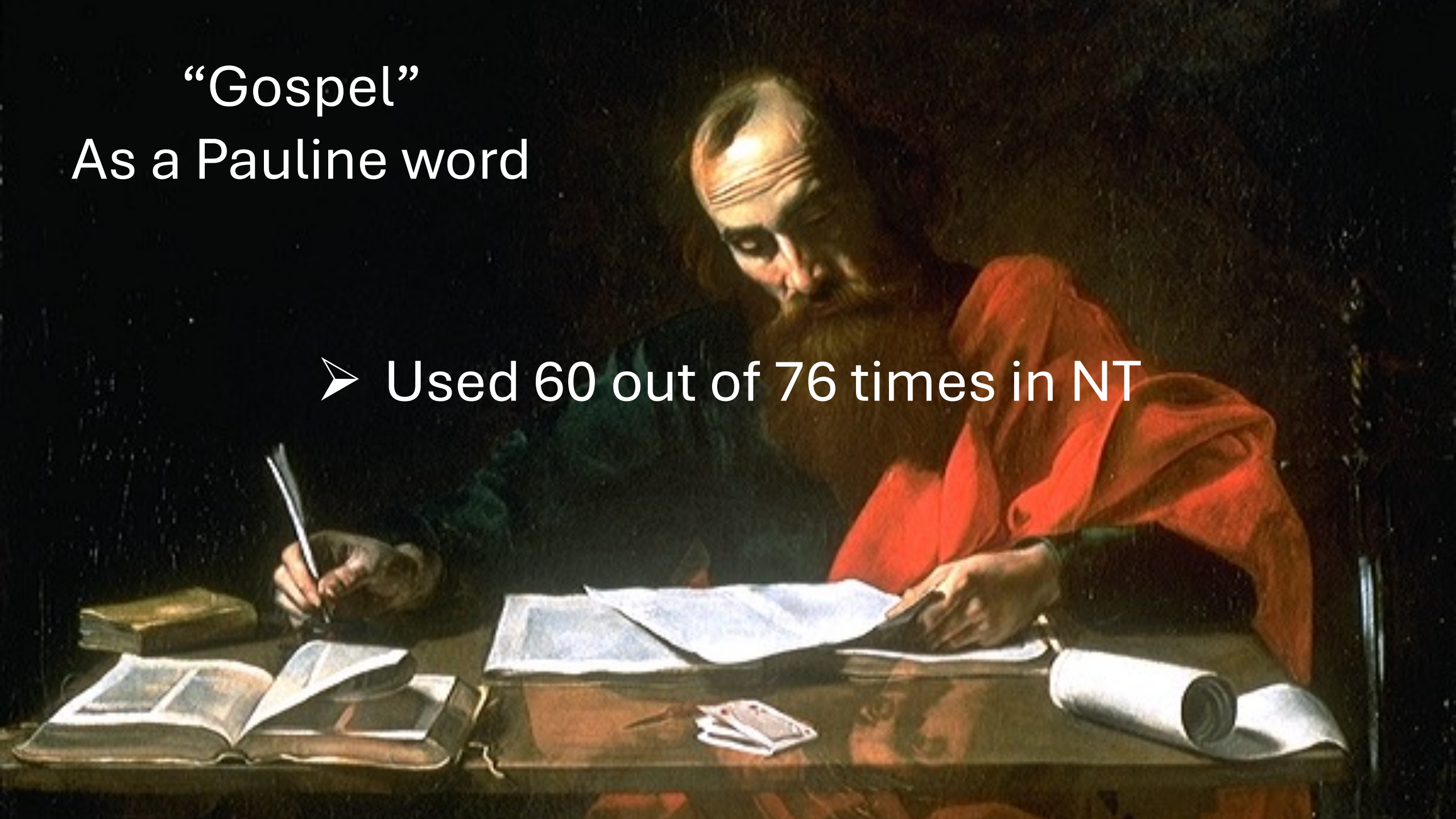
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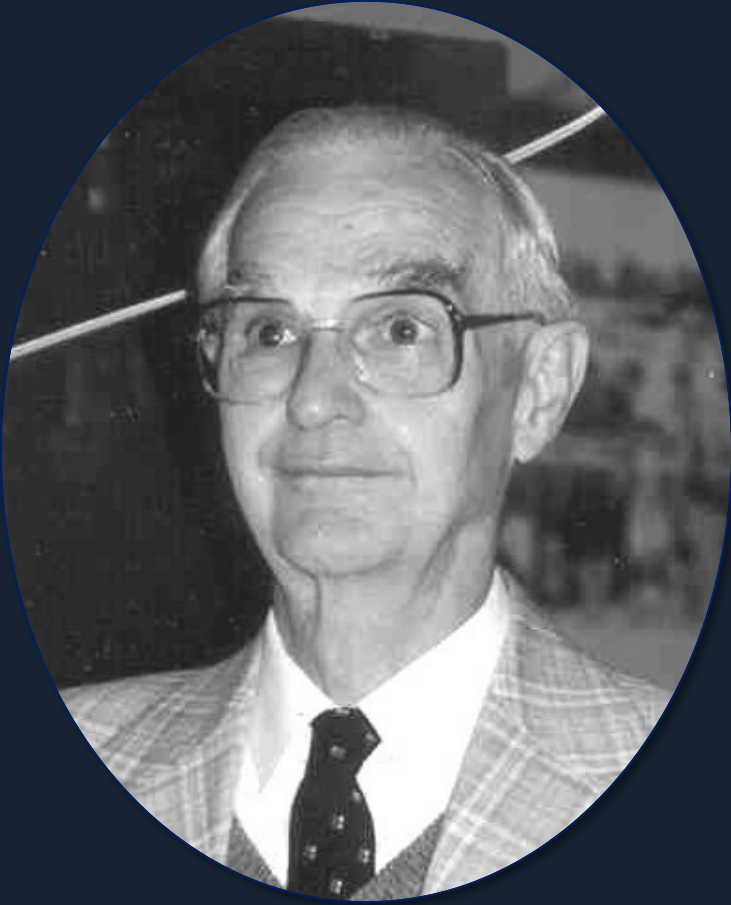


For I am not ashamed  
of the **gospel**

# “Gospel” As a Pauline word

- Used 60 out of 76 times in NT





Leon Morris  
1914-2006

“There is no good news  
to compare with the  
news of what God has  
done in Christ for  
man’s salvation.”



Paul's "Good news" (gospel):



Jesus' death,  
burial, and  
resurrection on  
our behalf

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Judgment and  
darkness on Gentiles  
(Rom. 1:18-32)





Rom. 3:21

**But now** the  
righteousness of God  
has been manifested  
apart from the law,  
although the Law and  
the Prophets bear  
witness to it—

Rom. 3:21

**Νυνὶ δὲ** χωρὶς νόμου  
δικαιοσύνη θεοῦ  
πεφανέρωται  
μαρτυρουμένη ὑπὸ τοῦ  
νόμου καὶ τῶν  
προφητῶν,

But now...





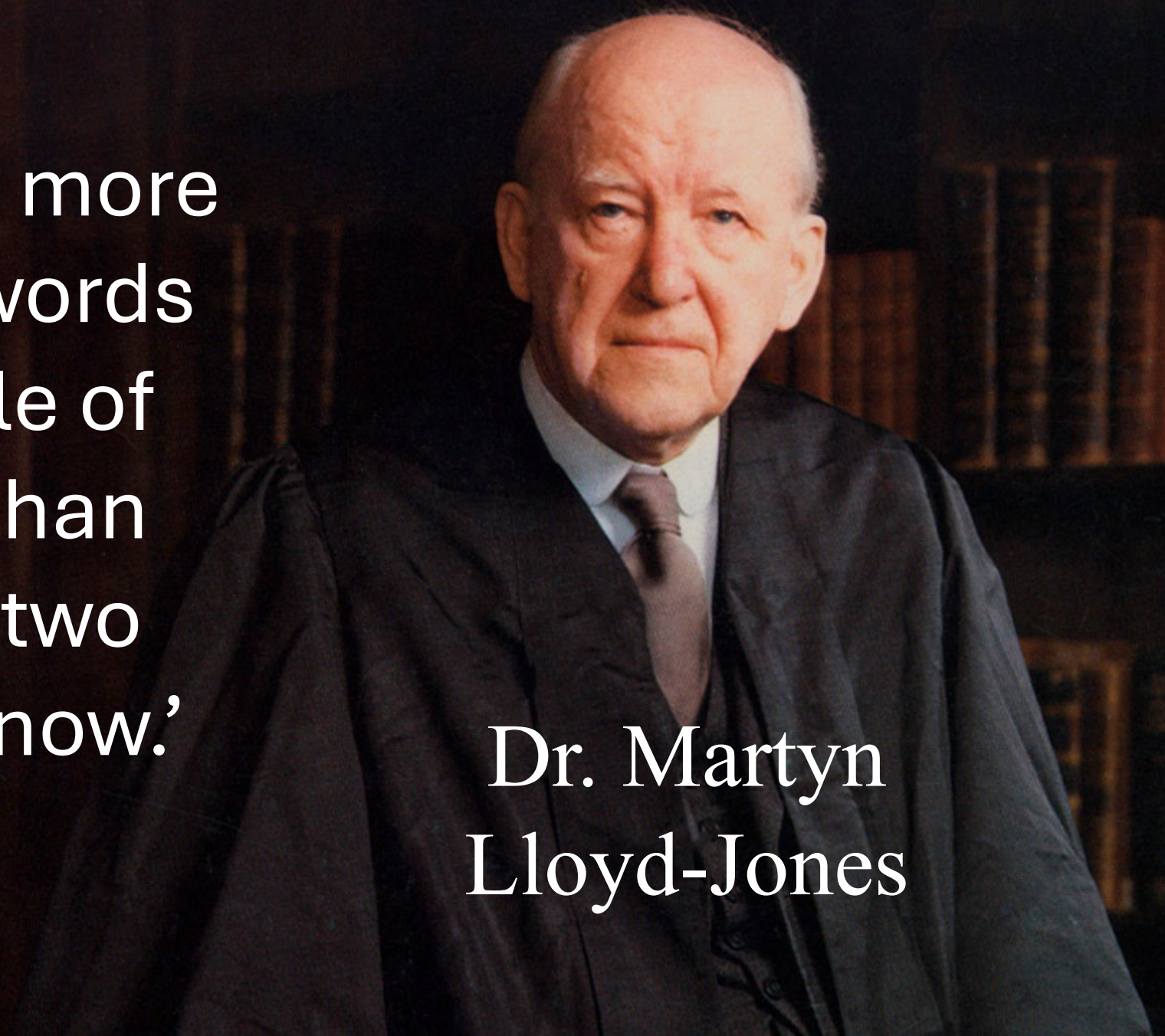
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There are no more  
wonderful words  
in the whole of  
Scripture than  
just these two  
words 'But now.'

Dr. Martyn  
Lloyd-Jones





Paul wasn't  
abandoning the  
Torah. He was  
demonstrating its  
harmony with  
justification by faith!



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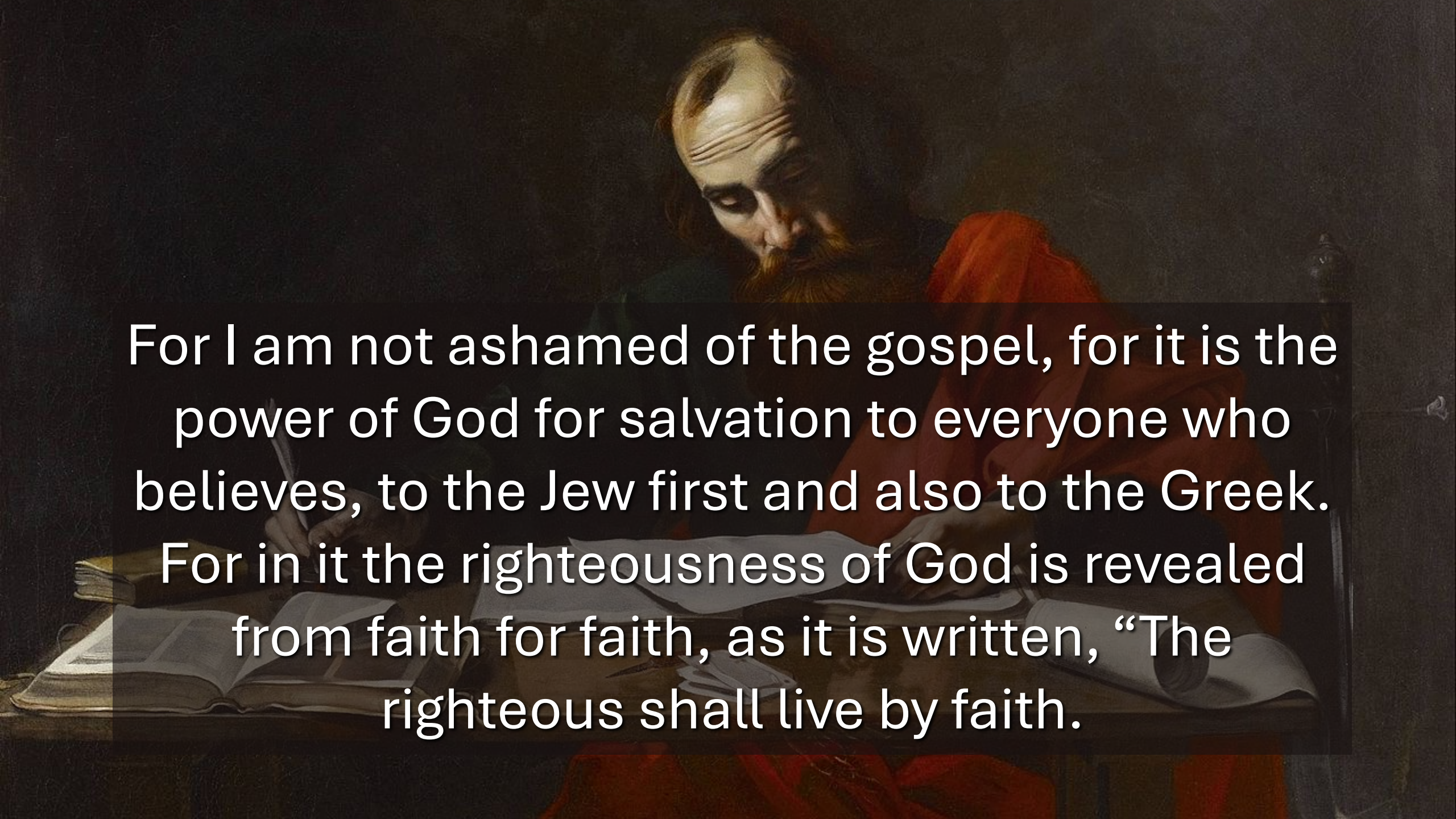
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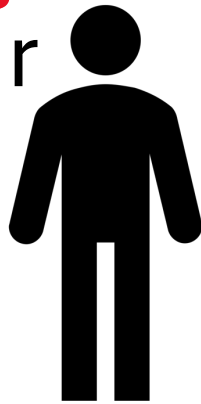
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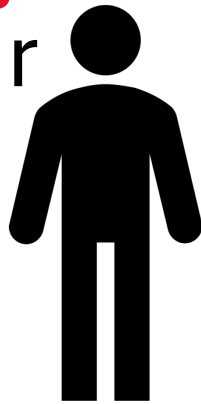
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Paul is not talking  
about “feeling” peace

That is  
Phil. 4:7







We have an objective  
factual peace with God.  
No longer are we enemies



Set aside  
“sinner’s dread”





The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make  
his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace (Numbers 6:25-26)





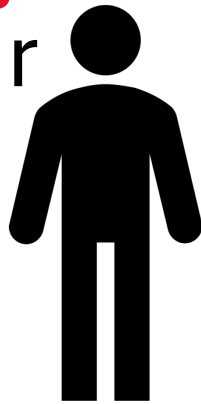
I will make with them a covenant of peace  
(Ezekiel 34:25)





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“Access”:  
An introduction  
A royal audience





“Access”:  
A way of approach





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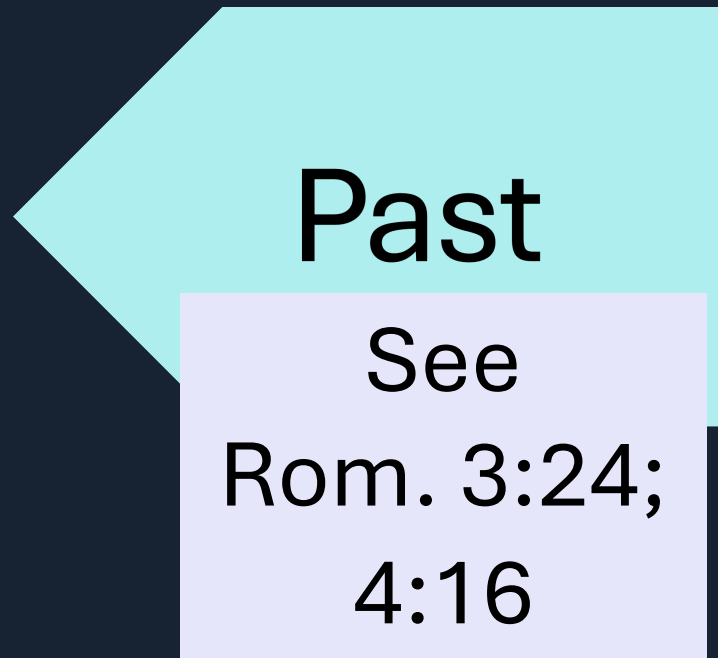
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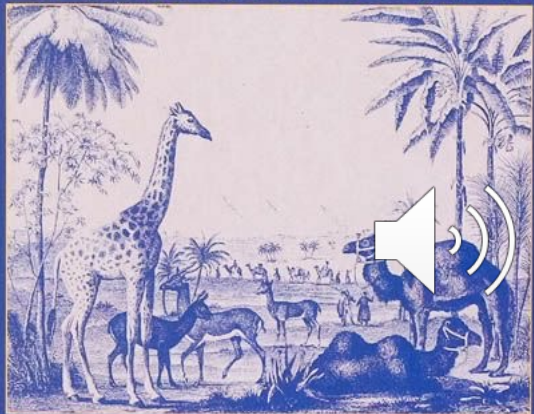
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See  
Col. 1:27

# SO YOU WANNA GO BACK TO EGYPT...

KEITH GREEN



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 market share to the Japanese  
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## Romans 5:3

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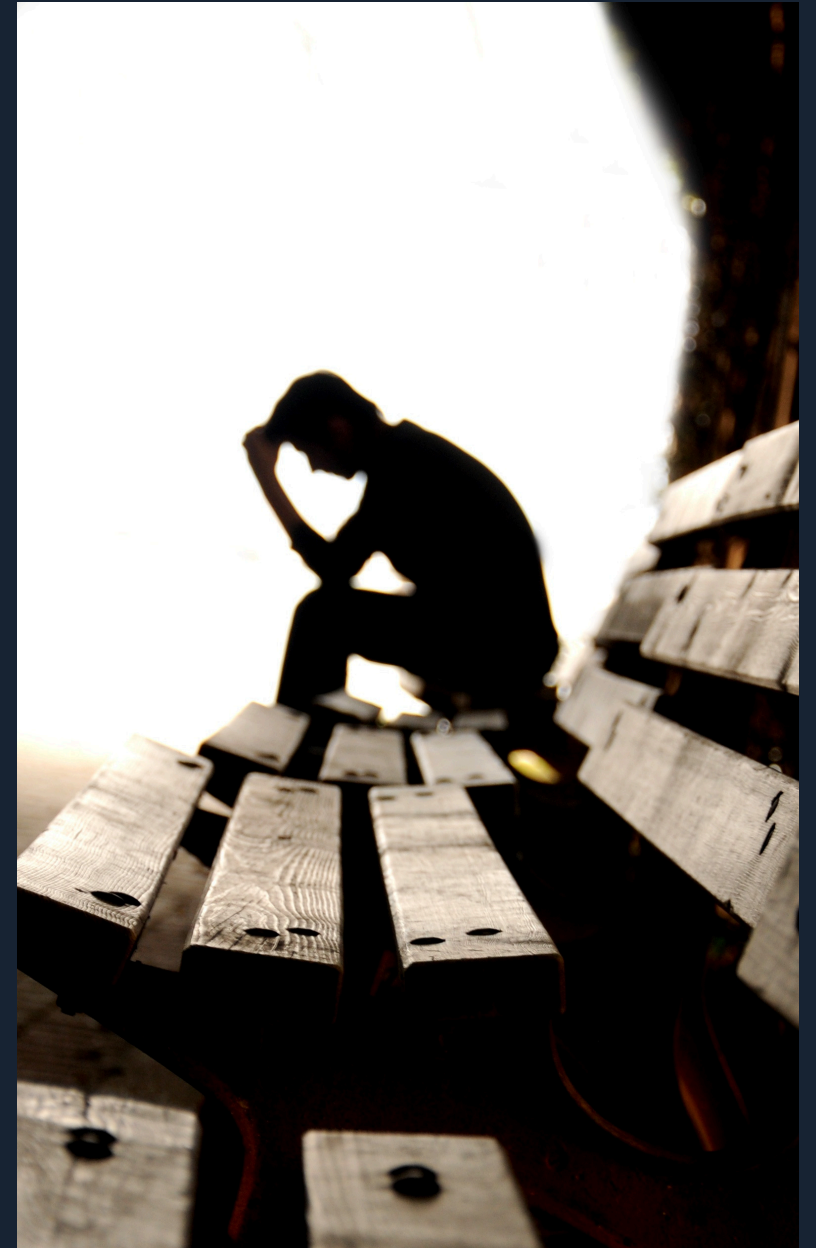
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Is suffering  
something we  
simply suffer  
through?



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Suffering makes  
us strong and  
race ready!



Romans 5:4

and endurance  
produces **character**,  
and character produces  
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ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ **δοκιμὴν**, ἡ  
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VERITAS  
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The VERITAS FORUM

# Where is God Amidst Suffering & Evil?

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## Romans 5:5

and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

## Romans 5:5

ἡ δὲ ἐλπίς οὐ  
καταισχύνει, ὅτι ἡ ἀγάπη  
τοῦ θεοῦ ἐκκέχυται ἐν  
ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν διὰ  
πνεύματος ἁγίου τοῦ  
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# The Present Benefits of Justification

We have:  
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We have:  
“access”



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We have:  
“joy in suffering”



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