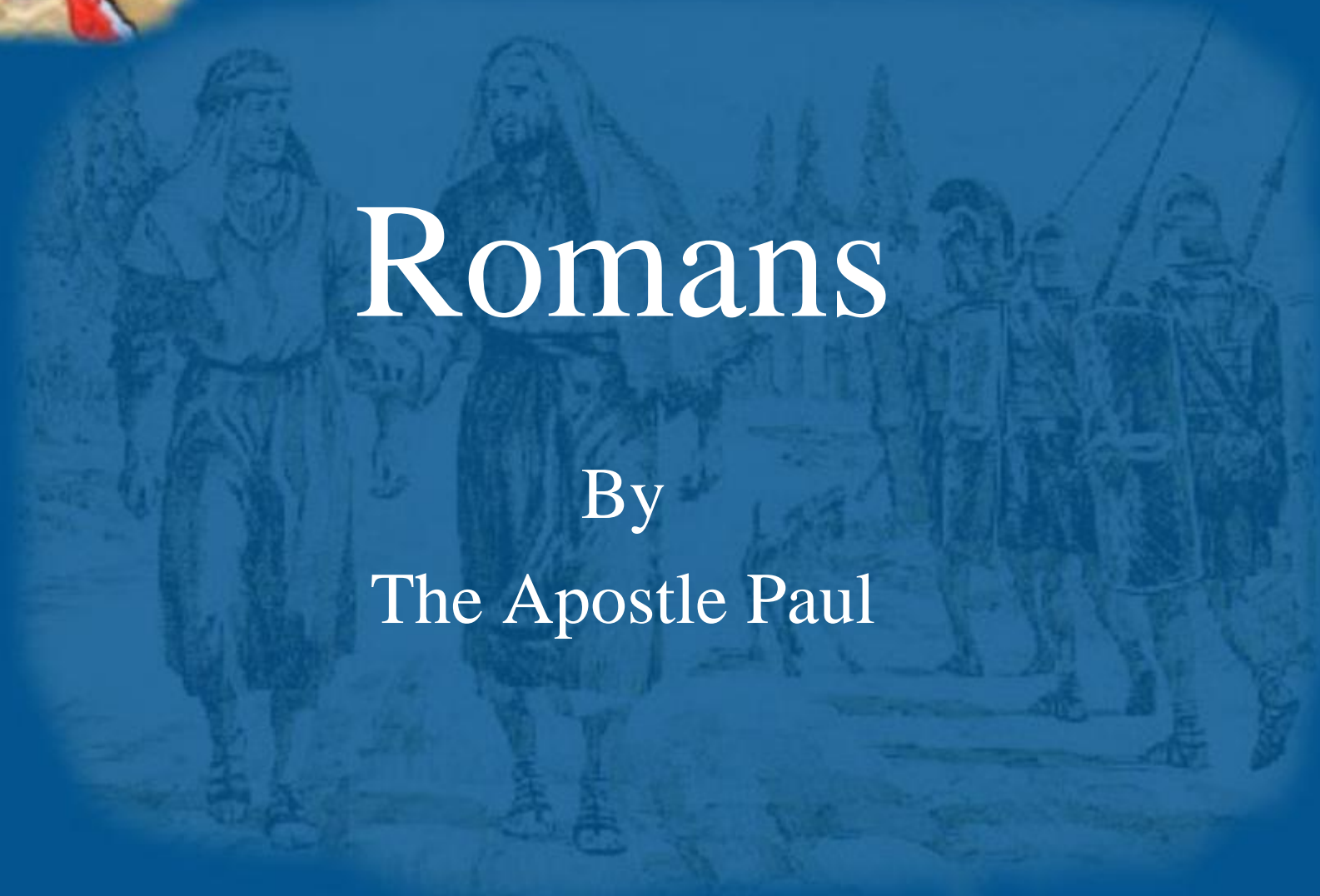




Romans

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Romans

- 2 weeks ago we began a most significant study
- Romans:
 - Written to us
 - Foundational book
 - Radical theology with great potential for impact
 - Essential to a successful Christian walk



Romans

- Written by Paul to the church in Rome
- As is characteristic of all of Paul's writings,
Topic: The Gospel
- The Gospel: Do not think 4 or 7 step tract
- Romans is not about the Gospel, it is the Gospel



Assignments

- Memorize ROM 1:16-17
- Come BLUE





Romans: The Gospel

- ROM 1:16-17 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. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous man shall live by faith."
- Observations / Questions



Romans: The Gospel

- Why begin with “For I am not ashamed...”
- Answer: 2CO 2:12-16
- The Gospel is powerful in that it effects ALL who hear it
 - To some it is a wonderful aroma
 - To most, a stench of rotting flesh



Romans: The Gospel

- Reactions of the world:
 - Its for simpleminded, for needy, a crutch for living
 - Needs filling out – add some part for man or some hidden knowledge
 - Most simply ignore it and make up their own gospel



Romans: The Gospel

- So what is in God's Gospel that smells of death to some and life to others?
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The RIGHTEOUSNESS of GOD

- God is always right
- The characteristic of God to be pure, holy, just, and act accordingly – to always do right
- Anything contrary to God's will is therefore sin
- This rubs most men & women the wrong way. Man also knows something about right and wrong.



The RIGHTEOUSNESS of GOD

- I asked God to help me illustrate His righteousness Vs. ours
- BLUE

