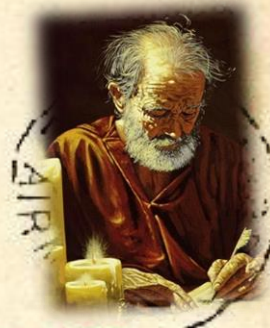


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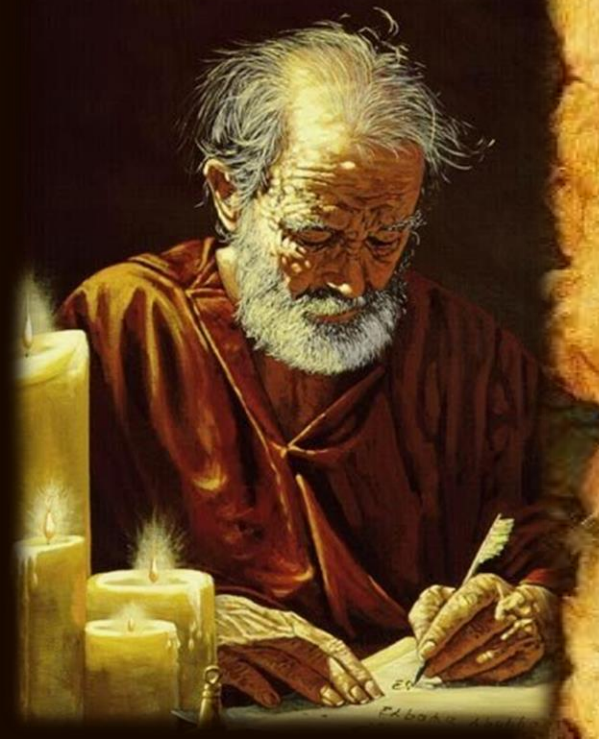


Romans

Study 3

The Righteousness of God

Structure of the Epistle



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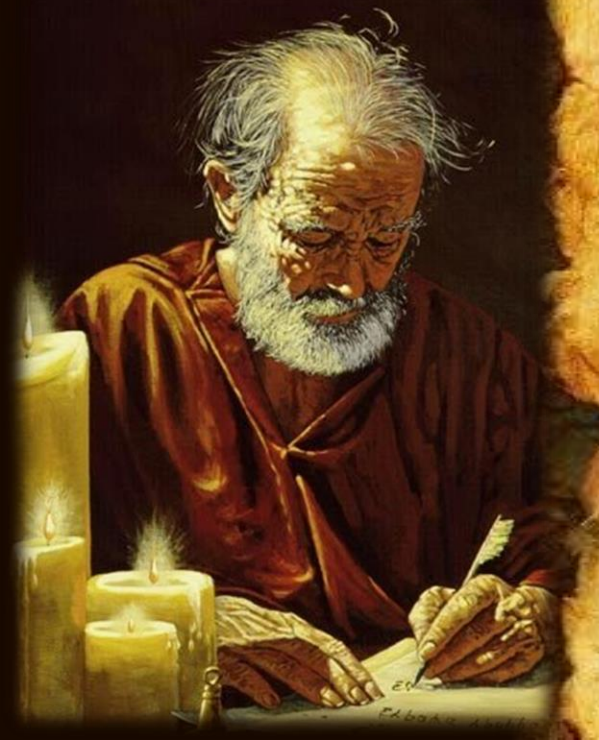
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- Minor sections close "through Jesus Christ our Lord" **5:21, 6:23, 7:25, 8:39**
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Jews & Gentiles



The Failure of the Gentile World Rom 1	The Failure of the Jewish World Rom 2
Received a general revelation 1:19-20	Received a specific revelation 2:6-8
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v12-15 Classes of People at Judgement

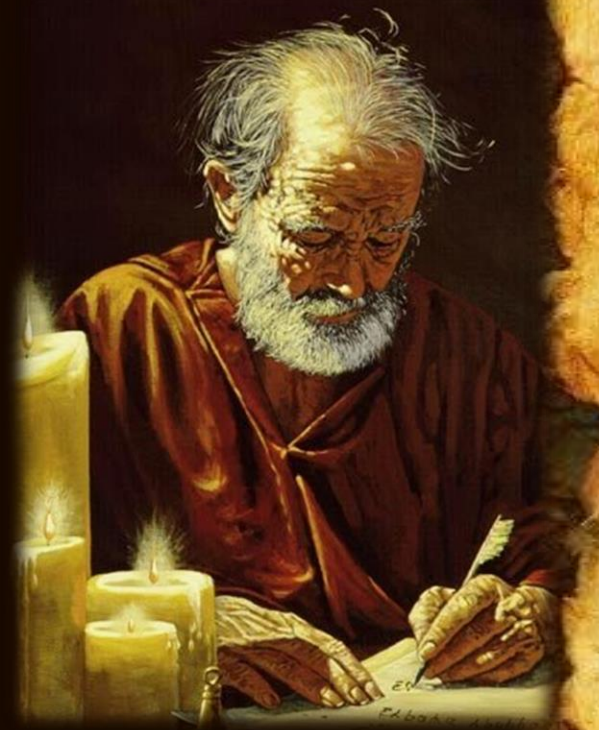
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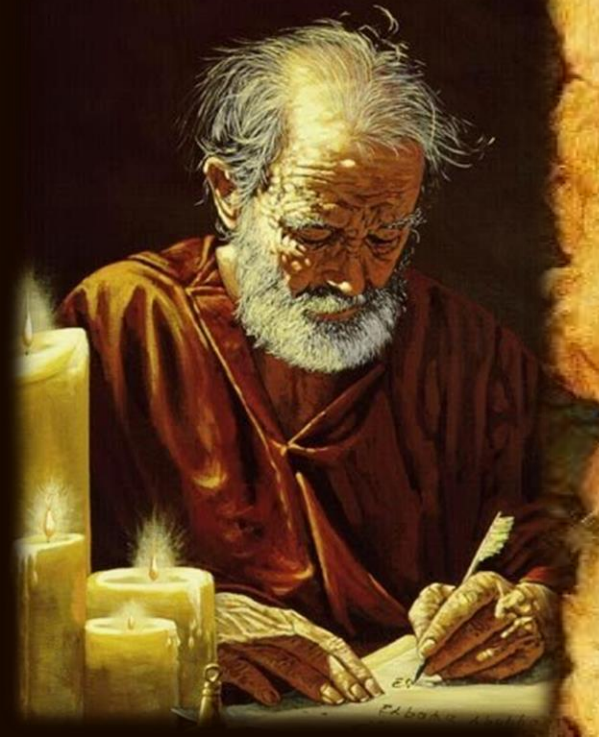
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Without Law



The Judgement Seat of Christ

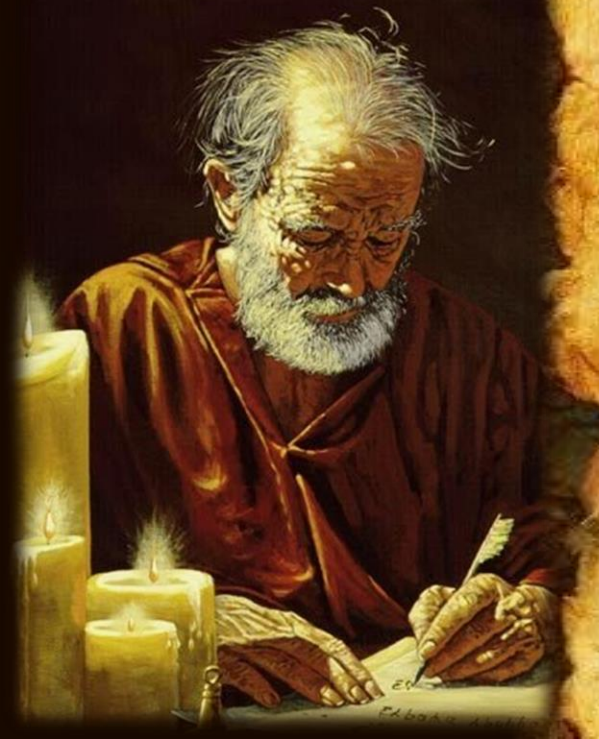
In the absence of light – that is, when men are in a state of ignorance – they are not amenable to condemnation; God “winks” at their doings, just as he does at the actions of the brutes of the field. Barbarous nations are in this condition. They are without light and law, and Paul’s declaration on the subject is in harmony with the general principles enunciated in the scriptures quoted “As many as have sinned without law shall perish without law” Rom 2:12.

Ambassador of the Coming Age v3, p216

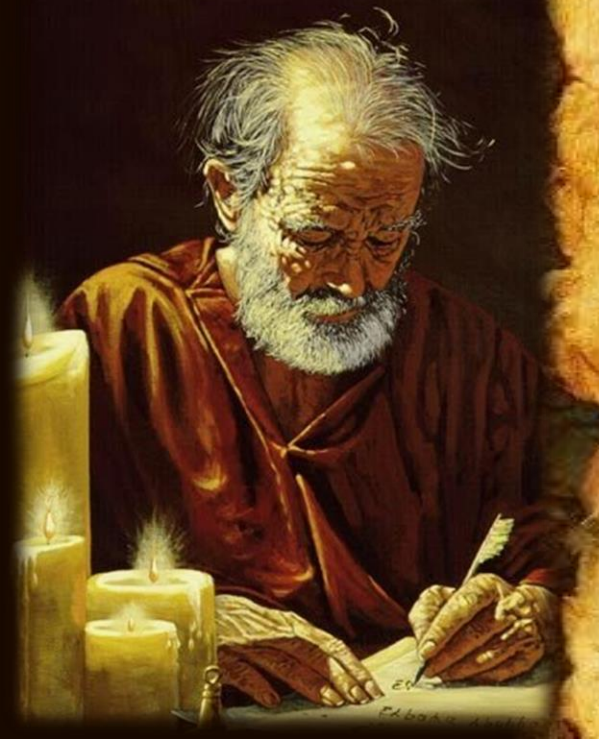
Gentiles With Law

But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jer 31:33



Classes at Judgement



All Humanity: (Ignorant & Responsible)

Ignorant: For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law **v12**

Responsible: (Faithful & Unfaithful)

And as many as have sinned in law shall be judged by law **v12**

Unfaithful: (For not the hearers of law are just before God **v13**

Faithful: (Jew & Gentile)

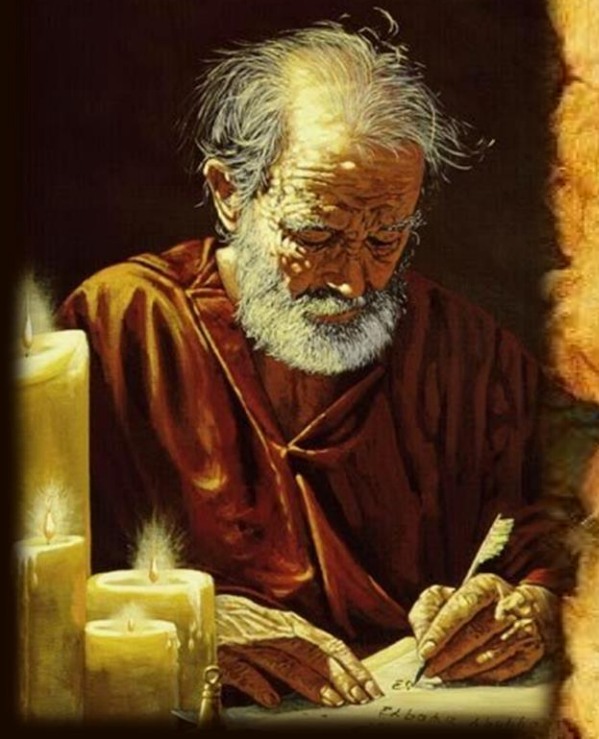
But the doers of law shall be justified **v13**

Gentiles: For when the Gentiles which have not law, do by nature the things contained in law, these having not law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the meanwhile accusing or excusing one another) **v14-15**

Responsible:

In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel **v16**

A Jew Inwardly



And now, Israel, what doth the LORD require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul ...

Circumcise therefore the foreskin of thy heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

For the LORD your God is a God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, **which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward.**

Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve ... **He is thy praise.**

Deut 10:12, 16-17, 20-21

