

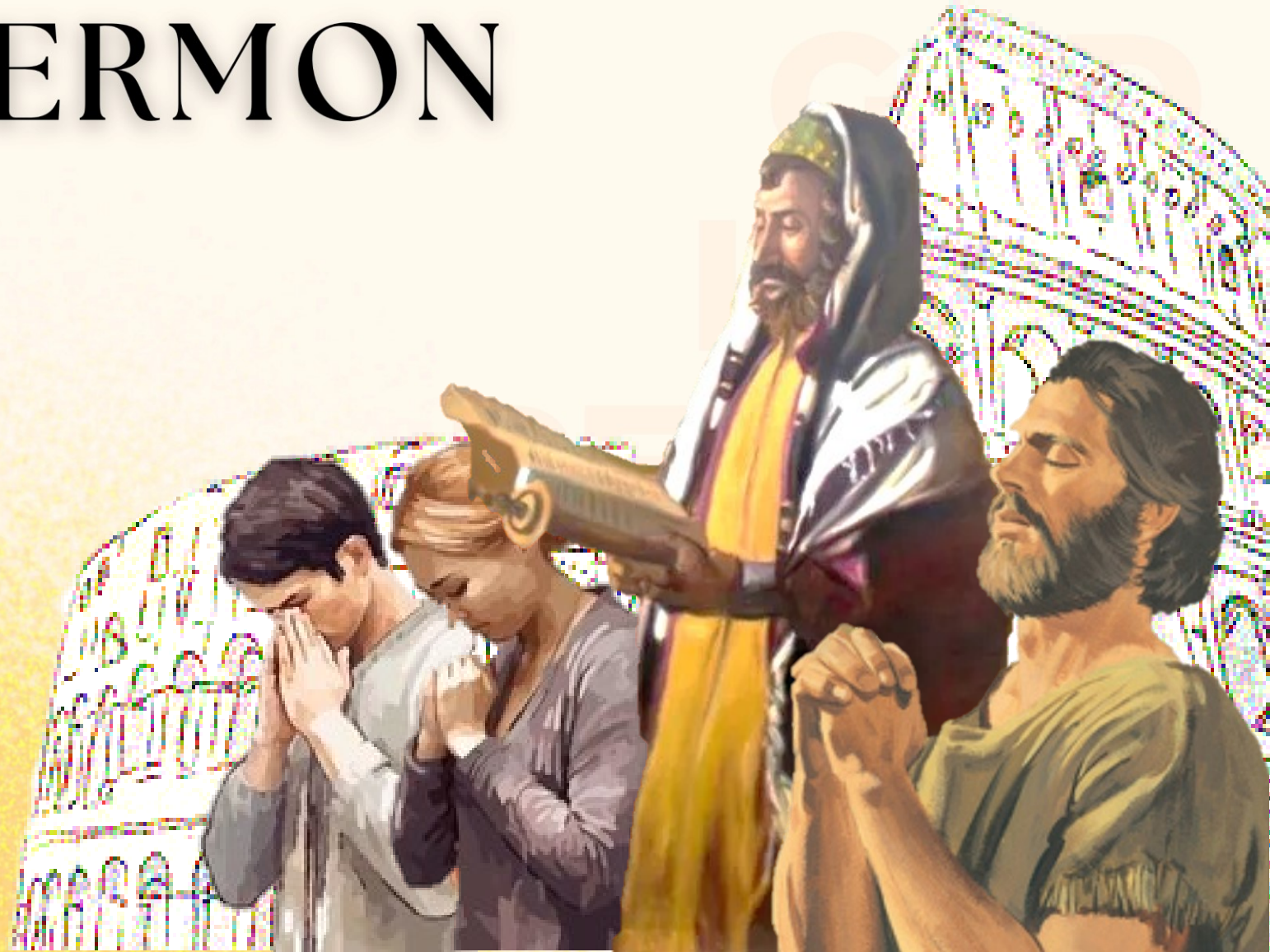
SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY SERMON

All Alike

Romans 3

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LOVE

JUSTICE



All Alike

Romans 3



— How Are We Different?

- Uniqueness
- Individuality
- Outstanding qualities

Differences Matter

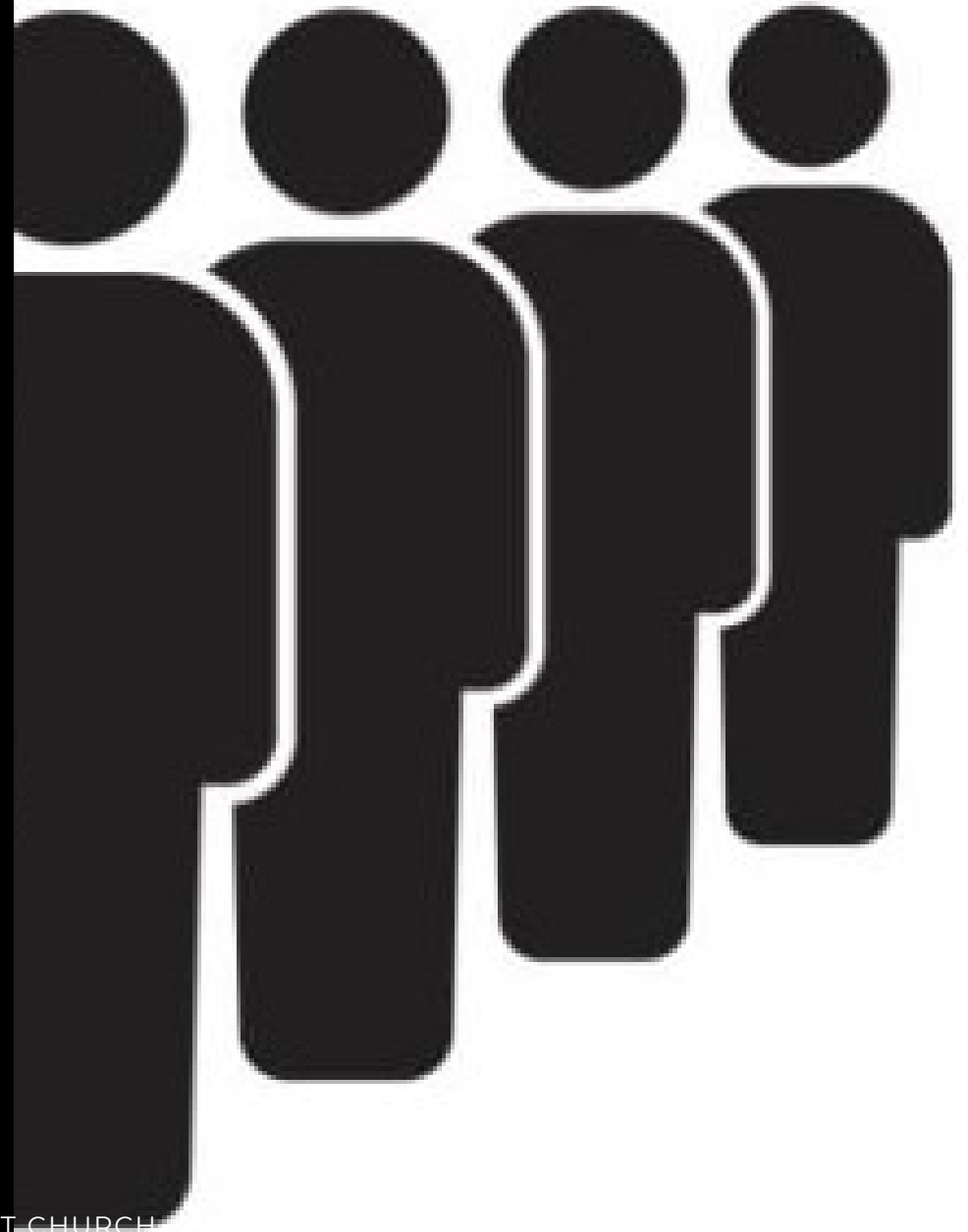
- Function
- Accommodations
- Community





Paul's Claim (Romans 3)

We are ALL alike



Background

Intra-church tensions

Claudius' edict (Acts 18:1-2)

10 years later...

Audience

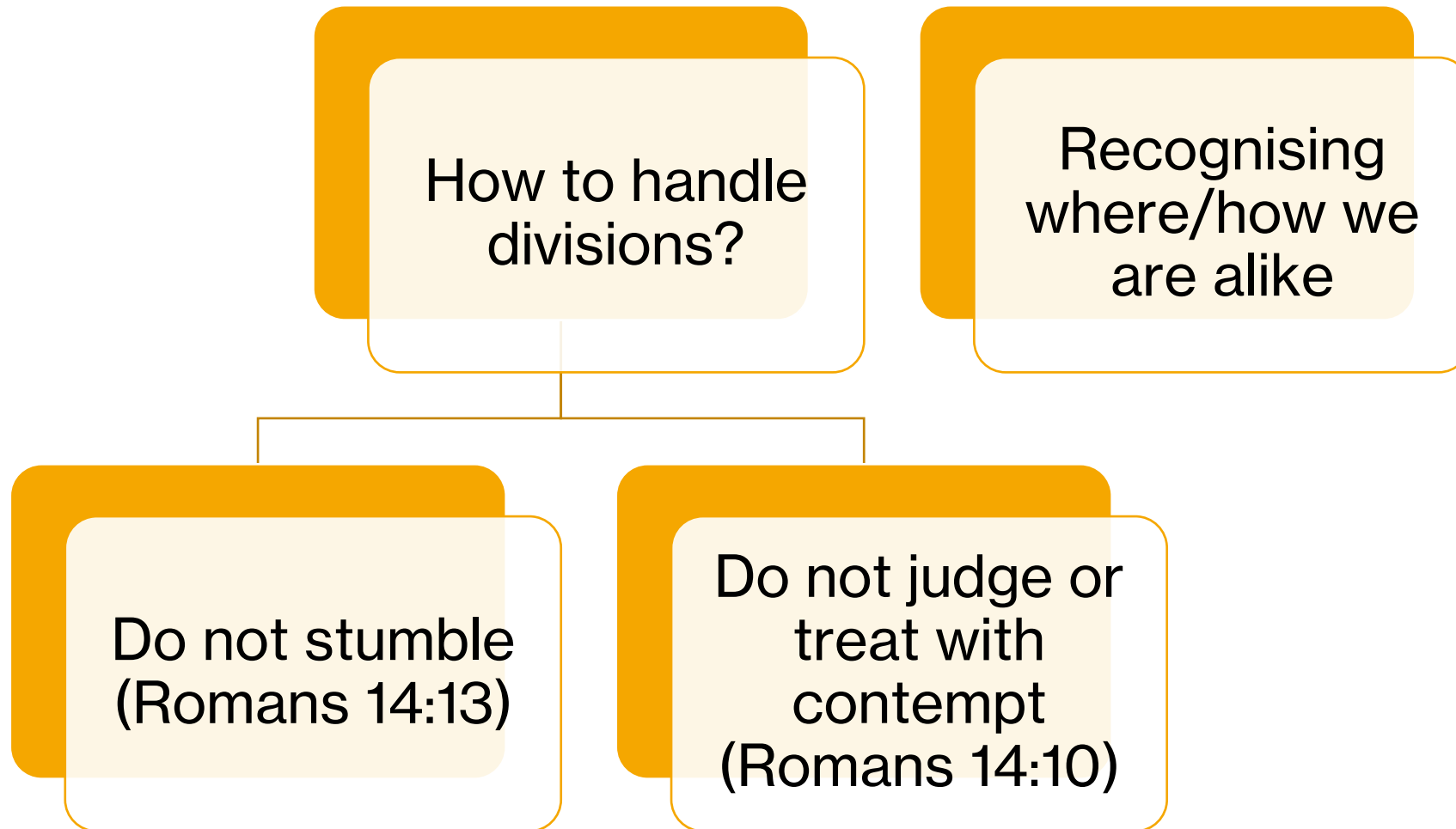
Jews

Christians

Jewish Christians

Gentile Christians

Unity in the Faith





It is Written

Romans 13:9b-20

... we have already made the charge that Jews and Gentiles alike are **all** under the power of sin. As it is written:

“There is **no one** righteous, **not even one**;
there is **no one** who understands;
there is **no one** who seeks God.

Romans 13:9b-20

All have turned away,
they have **together** become worthless;
there is **no one** who does good,
not even one.”

“Their throats are open graves;
their tongues practice deceit.”

Romans 13:9b-20

“The poison of vipers is on their lips.”

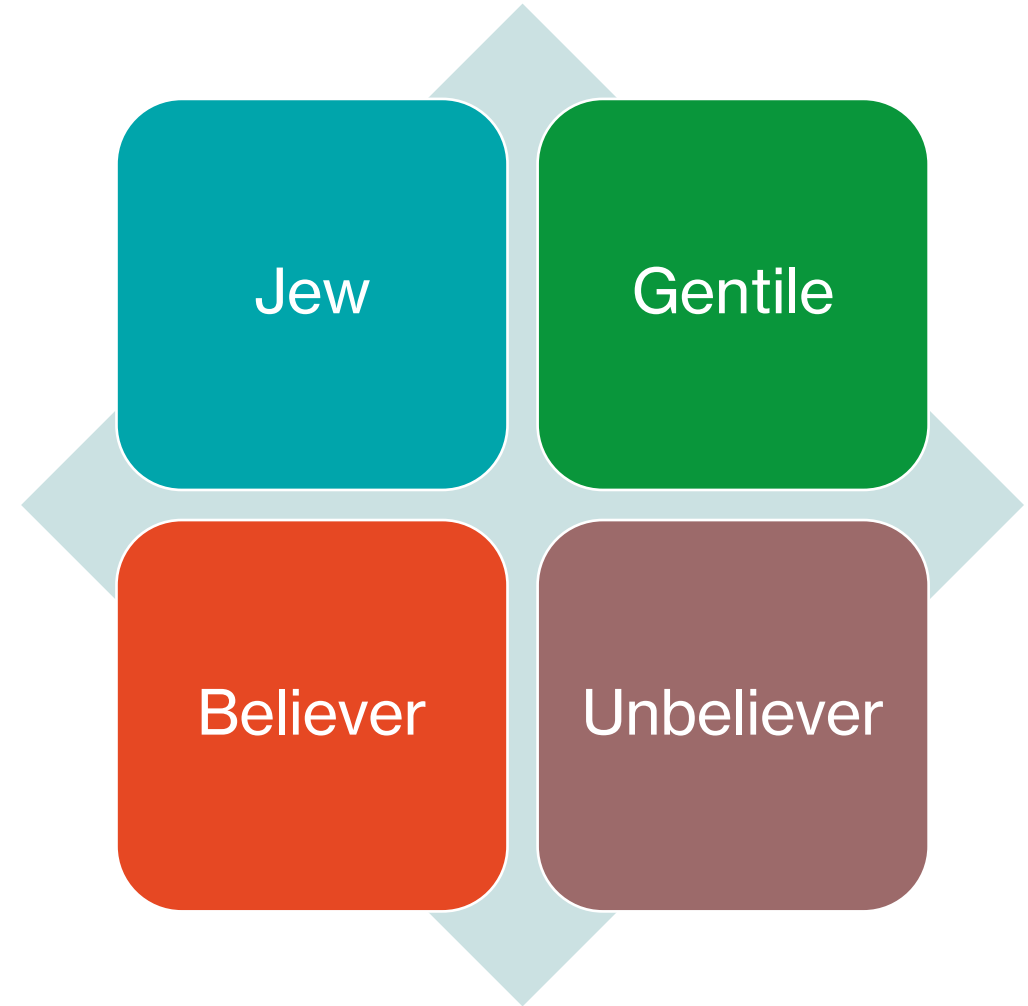
“Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness.”

“Their feet are swift to shed blood;
ruin and misery mark their ways,
and the way of peace they do not know.”

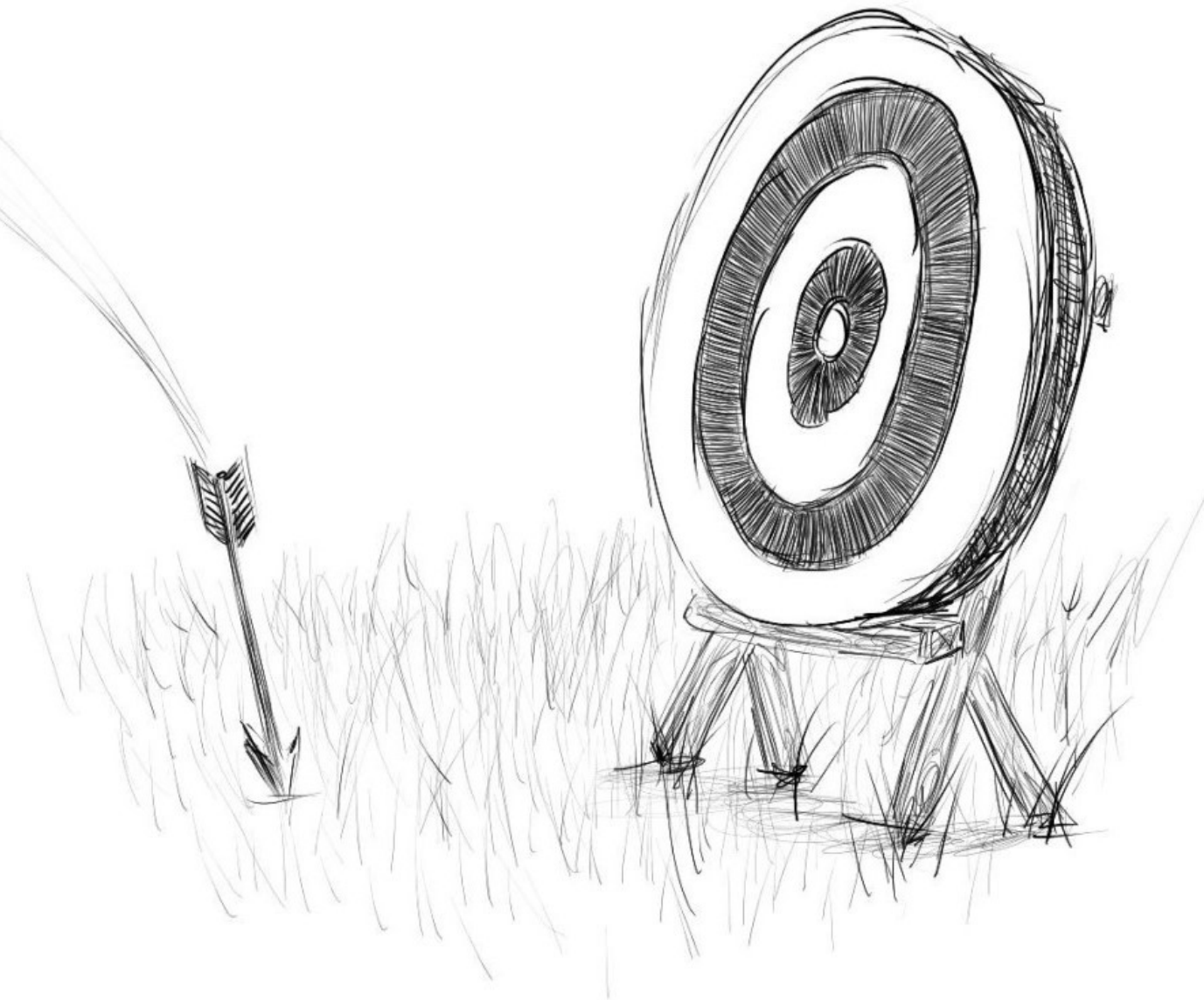
“There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Romans 13:9b-20

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that **every mouth** may be silenced and **the whole world** held accountable to God. Therefore **no one** will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.




Alike in Unrighteousness



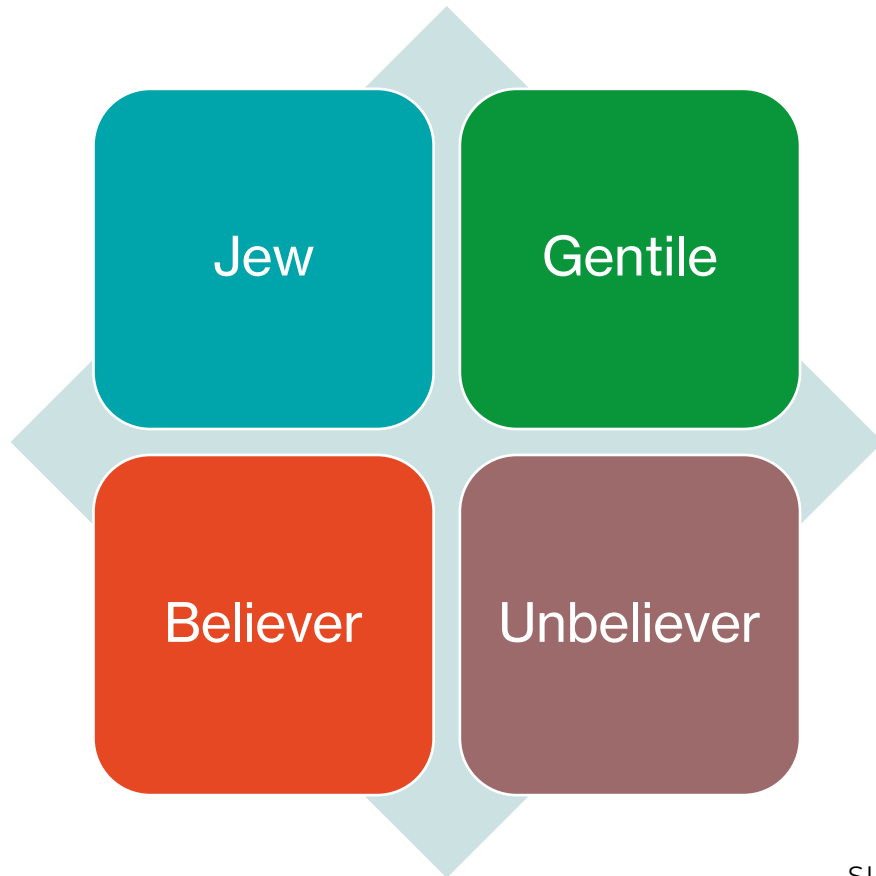
Romans 3:22b-23

There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God ...



**Righteousness is
not a possession,
it is a likeness**

Alike in Unrighteousness



Romans 13:21-25a

But **now** apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This **righteousness is given** through **faith** in **Jesus Christ to all who believe**. There is **no difference** between Jew and Gentile, for **all have sinned** and **fall short** of the **glory of God**,

Romans 13:21-25a

and **all are justified** freely by his **grace** through the **redemption** that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a **sacrifice of atonement**, through the **shedding of his blood** – to be received by **faith**.

Three Terms from Romans 13:21-25a

Justification

Redemption

Propitiation



Justification



Redemption






Propitiation

Sacrifice of atonement





**Righteousness is
not a possession,
it is a likeness**

Alike in Righteousness through Faith

Jew

Gentile

Believer





What does
this **mean**?



We are all **Alike in
Unrighteousness**



**We are all
Alike in
Righteousness
through Faith**

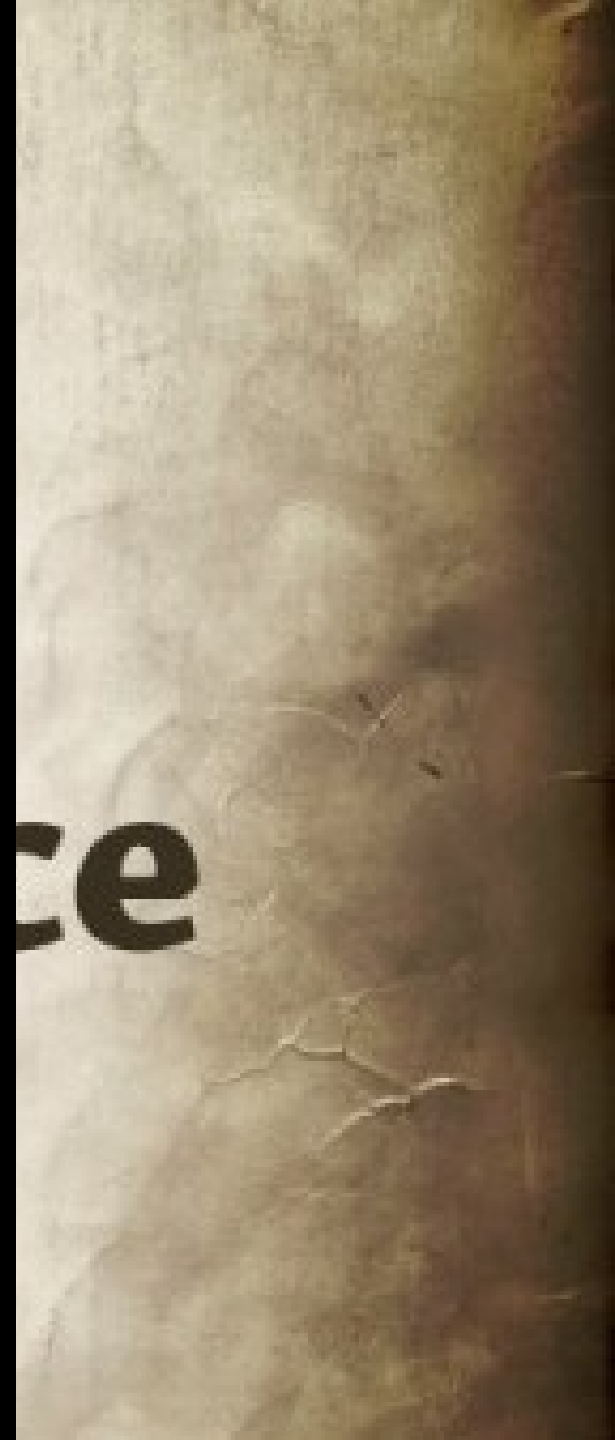


Our Confidence is in Christ



All Alike

Romans 3



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