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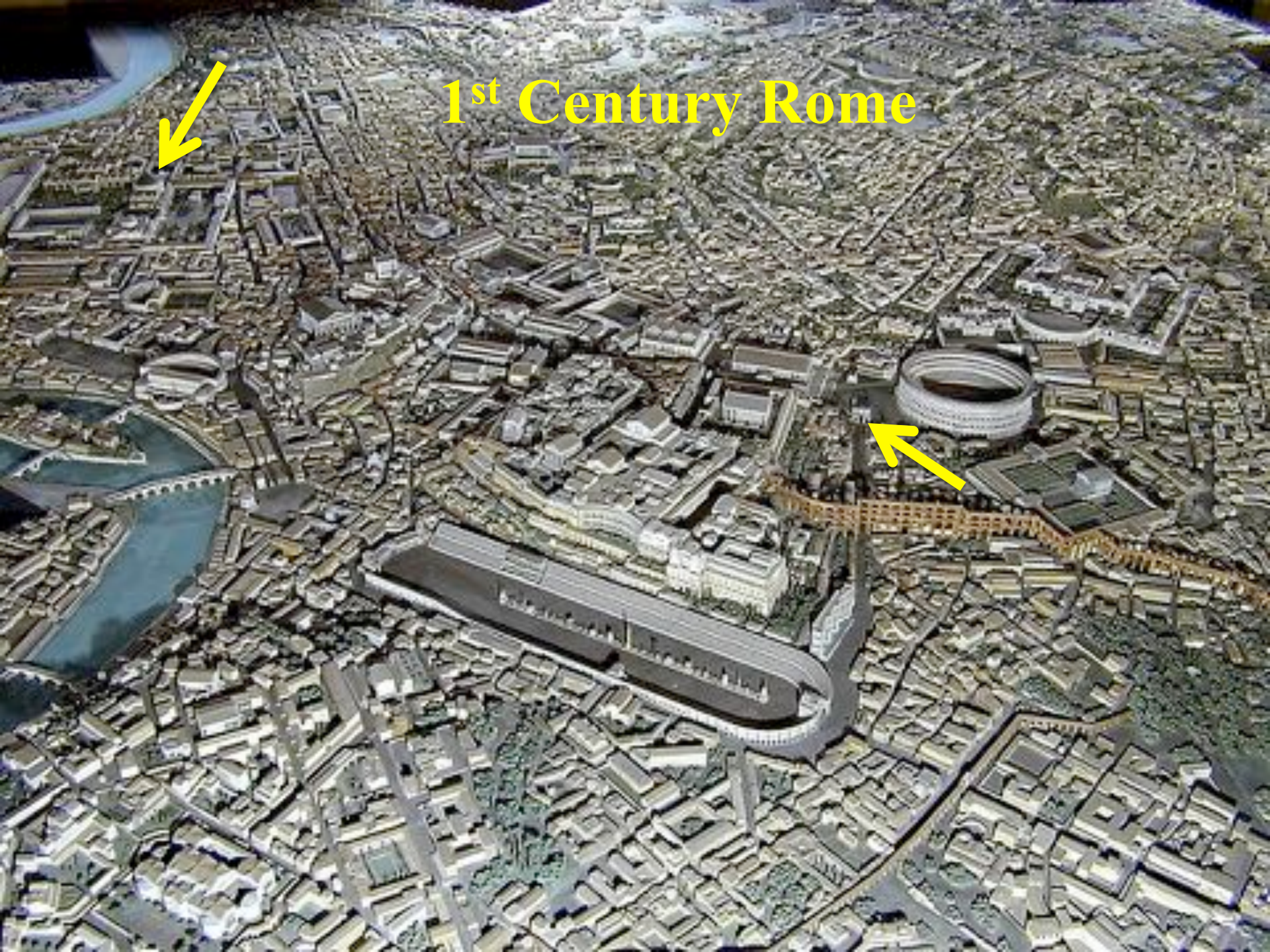
ROMANS



God's Justice -
9:19-24

Colosseum

1st Century Rome



PROVISION
Of God's Righteousness

1-8



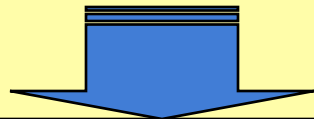
VINDICATION
Of God's Righteousness

9-11

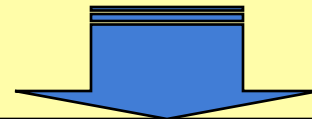


9:1-29

SOVEREIGNTY
Israel's Choice



9:30-10:21



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REJECTION
Israel's Discipline

RESTORATION
Israel's Salvation

MAIN ISSUE

- 1. Gospel going to Gentiles**
- 2. Israel as God's chosen people**
- 3. Gentiles coming to God apart from Law**
- 4. If God hardens Pharaoh how can He hold man responsible**

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“Why does He still find fault?
For who resists His will?”**

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REFUTES:

- 1. Attitude of rebellion**
- 2. Right to question God**
- 3. God's obligation to answer**
- 4. Man's limited knowledge**
- 5. Man's judgment of God**
- 6. Misunderstanding of Creator/
creation distinction**

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2nd LAW of Thermodynamics

- Irreversible tendency to unwind
- Movement from organization to disorganization
- Law of decay
- Isa 51:6, Ro 8:20-22

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Spiritual Dynamics

- Tendency to depart from God
- Movement from relationship to religion
- Law of spiritual decay
- Tendency of cultures to degenerate

CYCLES OF SIN

- 1. God's Work of Grace**
- 2. Sin Begins Corrupting Effect**
- 3. God Patiently Endures Sin**
Sin Reaches Full Corruption
- 4. God Intervenes to Judge & Save**

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TERMS

- 1. To prepare, repair - 13x**
καταρτιζω
may be reflexive or passive
- 2. Destruction - temporal**

GLORY DISPLAYED

1. Blind Man

5. Job

2. Lazarus

6. Death of Christ

3. Unbelievers

7. Display to Angels

4. Pharaoh

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- 11. Provides for display of His glory through unbelievers (17, 22)**

9:23 And He did so to make
known the riches of His glory upon
vessels of mercy, which He
prepared beforehand for glory,