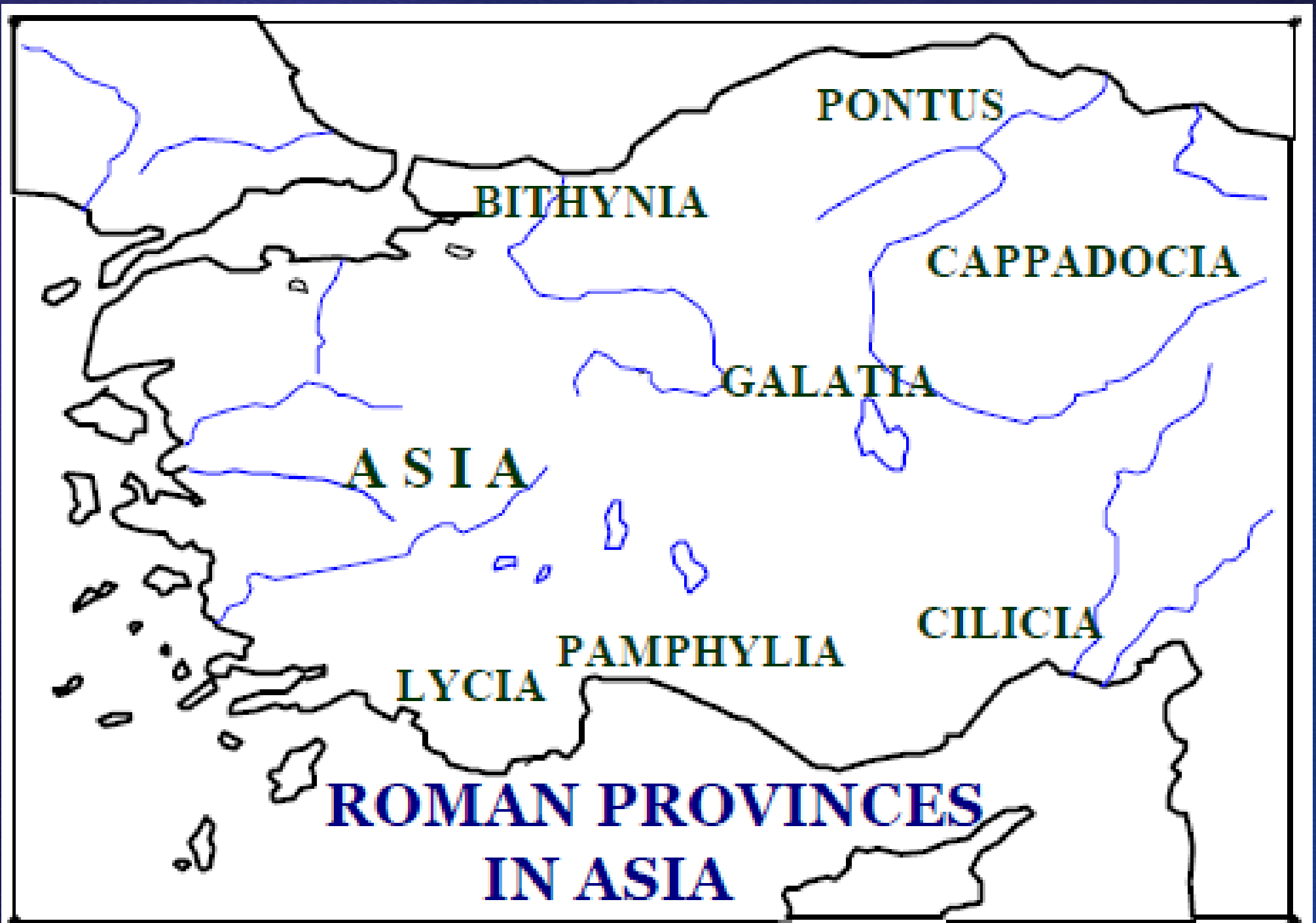


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I. Apostolic Salutation (1:1-2)

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“It would be the greatest slander and blasphemy of the name of Christ if we refused to honor Christ’s blood for washing away our sin or refused to believe that this blood makes us holy. Hence you must believe and confess that you are holy, but by this blood and not by reason of your own piety.”

Martin Luther

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Introductory Thanksgiving

1 Peter 1:3-12

II. Introductory Thanksgiving (1:3-12):

Through Jesus Christ, we now have a living hope and know the promise of God that we live in Him forever. We can face any trial or challenge, knowing that we are safe in His care.

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Summary

“Faith is so much more than a feeling—it is a fact that has consequences. Whatever mood happens to color the surface of our character, whatever trial or circumstance happens to engage our attention, the faith we have been given in Christ is a matter of receiving the resurrection of Christ as a sure thing. And it has consequences: most remarkably in our resurrection. This means that faith has a goal, and that goal is ultimately the salvation of our souls (v. 9). Our faith is a living hope in God’s promise, that soon the trials will be over, but until then, we are guarded by Him until we inherit the kingdom.”

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