

# Chapter 5-B Roman Republic



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Sept. 11 Review Session 6-8 Ben May #5

**Sept. 12 EXAM ONE – Ch 1-5** 

Sept. 15 On-Line Quiz Ch. 6

Sept. 22 On-Line Quiz Ch. 7

Sept. 26 Article Two Approval

(Don't wait until the last minute-hour-day)

Oct. 20 Rev. Dr. Paul W. Chilcote,

Dauphin Way United Methodist Church 1507 Dauphin Street – 7:00 pm

Oct. 21 Proof of Voter Registration



#### **Between the Punic Wars**

241 – 218 B.C.E.

Carthage accepts peace on harsh terms which forms basis for the Second Punic War.

23 years of peace/preparation.

(Same time interval between WWI and Pearl Harbor)

Carthage, led by General Hamilcar Barca, conquers Spain and uses silver mined there to pay Rome.

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"I swear so soon as age will permit... I will use fire and steel to arrest the destiny of Rome."



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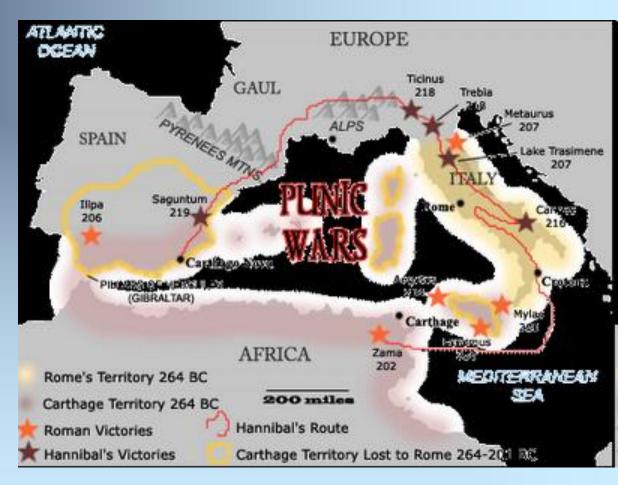
Crosses Alps and fights in Italy for 16 years.

**218 - Trebia** 

217 - Trasimene

**216 - Cannae** 

215 - Nola



203 - recalled to defend Carthage

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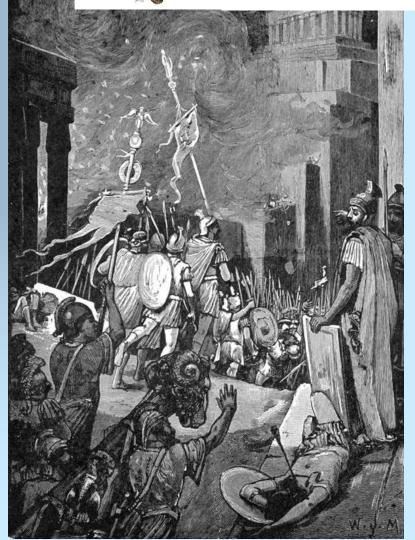
Meanwhile... The Romans are victorious in Sicily (212) and Scipio Africanus brings the fight to Africa (204).

Peace Terms: Loss of Spain, Navy, no foreign wars, 650,000 pounds of silver

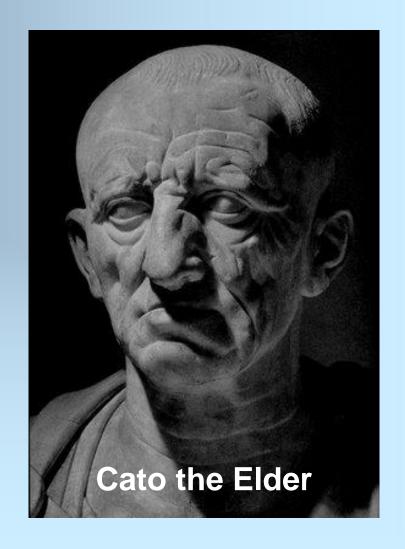
(equals \$260 million to \$3 billion)

Cost Rome: manpower, farm lands





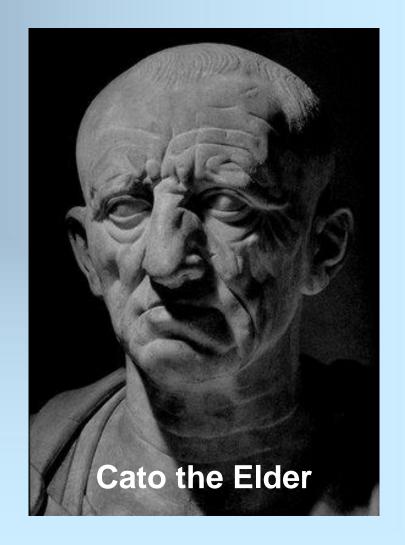
# Carthago Delenda est



# Carthage Must Be Destroyed

The
Third Punic War
149 - 146 B.C.E.





# **Carthage Utterly Destroyed**

The Third Punic War 50,000 sold into slavery City burned for 17 days Walls and buildings destroyed

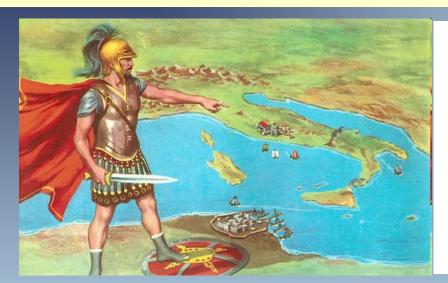
Land cursed

Territories annexed by Rome



149 - 146 B.C.E.

#### Hannibal's Legacy



# The beginning of the end for the Roman Republic

Small farmers ruined by years of fighting on/near their land
Wealthy citizens gained – war profits, buy up small farms
Displaced farmers added to rolls of urban permanently unemployed
Farmers no longer source of army recruits

#### Spartacus – Slave Revolts

#### **Servile Wars**

First Servile War (135-132 BC) Sicily 70,000 slaves

Second Servile War (104-100 BC) Sicily 25,000 slaves

Third Servile War (73-71 BC)
"War of Spartacus"
120,000 slaves



The Rich Get Richer

#### The Gracchi Brothers

#### **Tiberius and Gaius**

Tribune of the Plebs

133 BC – 123 BC

Starts distribution of land

<u>Tiberius</u> runs for reelection (against custom – <u>slippery slope</u> of man over custom)

**Group of Senators provoke riot** 

Tiberius clubbed to death (<u>slippery slope</u> of assassination)

**Gaius** sought support from equestrians who had become senators

Plans to extend rights to non-Roman Italians were vetoed. A substantial proportion of the Roman poor, protective of their privileged Roman citizenship, turned against Gaius.





#### The Gracchi Brothers

#### Gaius Gracchus

**123 BC – Tribune (10 years after brother)** 

**Starts distribution of land (again)** 

Fixed prices of grain for urban population Improved citizenship for those living outside Rome

Gaius reelection (Still illegal)

Roman poor prove to be unreliable as a political powerbase – failed to realize how corrupt and selfish all Romans had become.

**Group of Senators provoke riot (again)** 

Gaius commits suicide. 3,000 supporters arrested and put to death.





THE DEATH OF CAIUS GRACCHUS

#### Marius, novus homo

#### **Gaius Marius**

Success on battlefields in Africa and Europe

**Abolished property** requirement for soldiers

Permitted volunteers – poor/landless

**Armies become tools of commanders** 



Consul 7 times (107 – 86 BC)



#### Julius Caesar



Consul – 5 times

Dictator – 4 times

(11 days to life)

Flamen Dialis, high priest of Jupiter

Sulla strips Caesar of priesthood – joins army and leave Rome

**Pontifex Maximus** (63 BC) greatest bridge-maker **Established the Julian Calendar** 

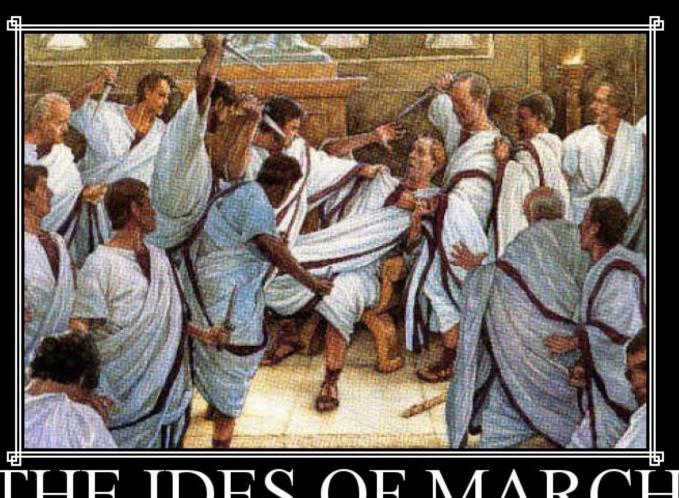
Gallic Wars (58-51 BC)

Crosses the Rubicon (49 BC)
"Let the die be cast."

Goes to Egypt in pursuit of Pompey (48 BC)

You too, child? | Et tu, Brute? (44 BC)

#### The murder of Caesar



THE IDES OF MARCH

Beware them.

**Rumors** 

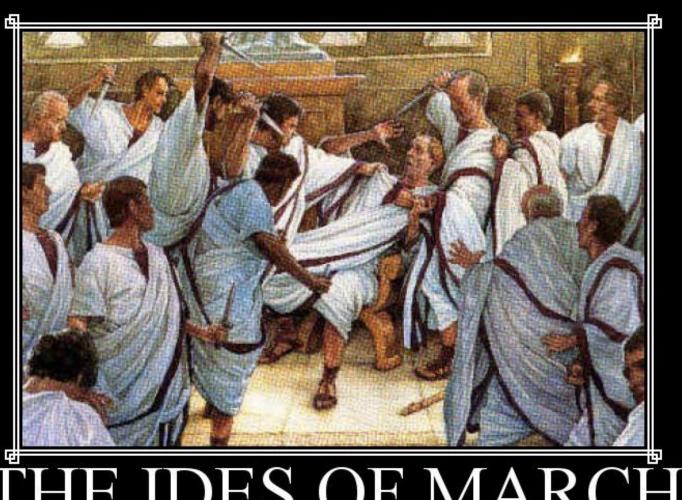
**Omens:** 

Warning of Seer

**Nightmare** of wife

**Badgered** into going

#### Murder, or an effort to protect the Republic



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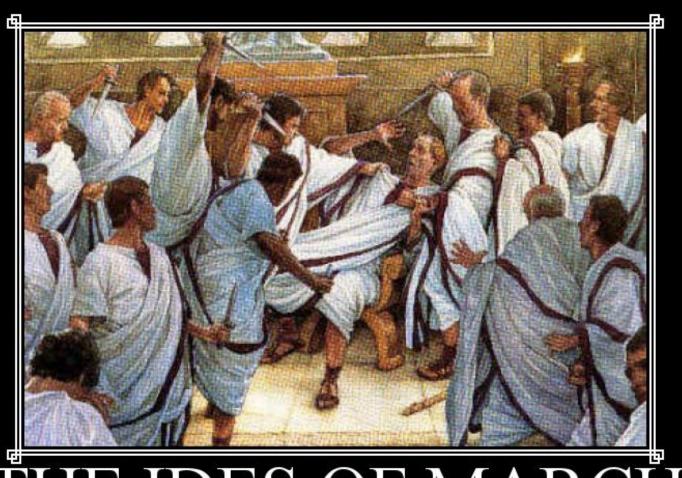
**Julius** Caesar:

**Ignored** the Senate

Removed **Tribunes** 

Wished to be King

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March 15, 44 BC

Legitimate removal of a Tyrant

Conspiracy
of large
(60+)
number of
leading
Citizens

Rome has no King

#### Octavian becomes Caesar Augustus

Next 17 years will be filled with war, murder, politics, treason and a rich and captivating woman.

The Republic ends in all but name as Rome becomes an Empire.

But, this story will have to wait.

January 1, 27 BC

"Mission Accomplished"



# Next Up... EXAM on Chapters 1-5

