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## Are We Rome – Audio Book

1. Why is this question “Are We Rome” something that we ask ourselves?
- 2 Why do some look positively towards this comparison and why do some feel it's dangerous?
- 3 What was the genesis of his thesis, meaning, why does the author ask this question now?
4. What are some (apx 5) of the most relevant comparisons and differences that he stages in his ledger?

## Star Wars and Rome

*(to be completed IN CLASS)*

How did the character of Emperor Palpatine use similar tactics and strategies to end the Republic to that which happened in ancient Rome? Give a few specific examples.



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## Julius Caesar Biography

1. How important was military service to Roman leaders then?

Looking the current and past presidential elections, how does military service play a role in elect-ability?

2. There were two civil wars, one before Caesar's reign and one after. Which was longer? Which was more influential in terms of putting Rome on the path of Empire building and why?

3. Why did the Senators choose to kill Caesar?

4. Why do you think that Caesar was able to consolidate so much power?

5. Looking at the last paragraph, what do you think Caesar's legacy is?



## Constantine & Christianity: Video

1. How was the story of Jesus as a religious reformer during the Roman Empire not an isolated phenomenon?

2. Why would have Jesus' crucifixion NOT made a ripple in the city of Rome at that time?

3. How were the early Christians different from Jews in different in their protest of the Roman Empire?

4. What happened at the Battle of the Milvian Bridge?

5. Why was Byzantium chosen as a new capital?

6. How was Constantine "full of contradictions"?

7. When did he become a Christian?