

## The Acts of the Apostles - Outline

### The Period of Local Evangelism

#### Preparatory Events

- Reintroducing the Lord Jesus Christ, **1:1-3**
- The divine commission, **1:4-8**
- The ascension of Christ, **1:9-11**
- The ten-day wait for the Holy Spirit, **1:12-14**
- The selection of Matthias, **1:15,16**
- The descent of the Holy Spirit, **2:1-4**

#### The Ministries

- The power for the ministry, **2:1-13**
- Peter at Pentecost, **2:14-40**
- Activities of the first local church, **2:41-47**
- The healing of the lame man, **3:1-11**
- Peter's second sermon, **3:12-16**
- The beginning of trouble, **4:1-4**
- Peter's address to the Sanhedrin, **4:5-12**
- Stephen's ministry, **7:1-60**
- Philip and Peter, **8:5-25**
- Philip's ministry alone, **8:26-40**

#### Events in the Church

- The indwelling of the Holy Spirit, **4:31**
- Unity and benevolence of the church, **4:32-37**
- The Ananias and Sapphira incident, **5:1-11**
- Spiritual power of the church, **5:12-16**
- The appointment of deacons, **6:1-6**

#### The Spread of the Gospel

##### Preliminary Events Leading to Worldwide Missions

- Philip in Samaria, with Peter and John, **8:5-25**
- Conversion of Saul, **9:1-30**
- Persecution of the church, **4:1-3, 17-22; 5:17; 18, 40; 6:8-15; 8:1-3; 9:1**
- Peter's vision at Joppa; he goes to the Gentiles, **10:1-43**
- Gentiles receive Holy Spirit at Caesarea, **10:44 to 11:18**
- Barnabas' work sanctioned by the church at Jerusalem, **11:22 ff**
- Paul and Barnabas build church at Antioch, **11:25,26**
- Herod's persecution; death of James; Peter in prison, **12:1-19**

##### Paul's First Missionary Journey: **13:4 to 14:26**

- CYPRUS: Salamis** – Paul and Barnabas preach in synagogue; **Paphos** – Sergius Paulus converted; Elymas the sorcerer; Saul's name changed to Paul.
  - PERGA IN PAMPHYLIA** – John Mark deserts the apostles
  - ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA** – Paul's address; The Apostles are rejected by the Jews and turn to the Gentiles; Paul is ill and helped by the Galatians; Persecution
  - ICONIUM** – persecution causes apostles to flee to Lystra.
  - LYSTRA** – Paul heals lame man; people try to deify Paul and Barnabas; Paul's speech; Paul is stoned.
  - DERBE, LYSTRA, ICONIUM, ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA, PERGA** – the return trip.
  - ANTIOCH IN SYRIA** – the apostles stay two years.
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### **The Council at Jerusalem, 15:1-30**

**Preliminary Meetings:** (1) Formal reception of delegates from Antioch; (2) Private interviews of Paul; (3) Public discussions of Titus' circumcision

**The Meeting of the Council:** (1) Peter's speech; (2) Paul and Barnabas report on work with Gentiles; (3) James' speech; (4) Selection of delegates to the churches; (5) The letter to the churches; (6) Paul and Barnabas approved to go to the Gentiles.

### **Paul's Second Missionary Journey, 15:36 to 18:22**

**ANTIOCH IN SYRIA** – Paul and Barnabas disagree over John Mark and separate.

**SYRIA AND CILICIA** – Paul and Silas working together

**DERBE AND LYSTRA** – circumcision of Timothy; decrees delivered to the churches.

**PHRYGIA AND GALATIA**

**MYSIA**

**TROAS** – Paul's vision of the man from Macedonia; Luke joins Paul as companion.

**SAMOTHRACIA**

**NEAPOLIS**

**PHILIPPI**

- First European church founded
- Paul's arrival in the city
- Euodias, Syntyche, Syzygus, Clement
- Conversion of Lydia
- The healing of the demon-possessed girl
- Paul and Silas in prison, the earthquake, salvation of the Philippian jailer
- Luke remains in Philippi

**AMPHIPOLIS**

**APPOLONIA**

**THESSALONICA**

- Paul and Silas preach in synagogue
- Jason is brought before the magistrates.

**BEREA** – Jews from Thessalonica oppose them, Paul departs by Silas remains.

**ATHENS**

- Silas and Timothy sent for
- Paul disputes with Jews and with Greek philosophers
- Paul's speech on Mars Hill.

**CORINTH**

- Paul lives with Priscilla and Aquila, works as a tentmaker
- Philippians send him aid
- Silas and Timothy return from Macedonia
- The conversion of Crispus, Gaius, and the household of Stephanus
- Paul's vision
- Paul before Gallio.

**CENCHREA**

**EPHESUS**

**CAESAREA**

**JERUSALEM** – Paul's fourth visit.

**ANTIOCH**

### **Paul's Third Missionary Journey, 18:23 to 21:15**

**GALATIA AND PHRYGIA**

**EPHESUS**

- Account of Apollos at Ephesus
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- Paul in synagogue and school of Tyrannus
- His miracle of healing
- Defeat of the Jewish exorcists
- Paul visits CORINTH, returns to Ephesus
- Paul plans to go to Macedonia, Achaia, Jerusalem, and Rome
- Timothy and Erastus sent to Macedonia; Timothy to continue on to Corinth
- Paul sends Titus and another believer to Corinth to help believers and begin the collection for the poor in Jerusalem
- Demetrius the silversmith raises uproar against Paul

#### **TROAS**

#### **MACEDONIA**

- Timothy joins Paul
- Titus brings good news from Corinth
- Paul preaches
- Macedonians give generously for the relief of Jerusalem believers
- Timothy is sent back to Corinth with two brethren

#### **ILLYRICUM**

**GREECE** – Paul stays in Greece about three months.

#### **CORINTH**

**FROM CORINTH TO JERUSALEM** via Philippi, Troas, Assos, Mitylene, Chios, Samos, Trogyllium, Miletus, Coos, Rhodes, Patara, Cyprus, Tyre, Ptolemais, Caesarea (Agabus' prophecy), Jerusalem

#### **Paul in Jerusalem and Caesarea, 21:18 to 26:29**

- He relates his experiences to the church, **21:18-20**
- He takes a Jewish vow to silence suspicion, **21:20-26**
- He is seized by Jews, rescued by Roman soldiers, **21:27-40**
- His defense before the crowd, **22:1-21**
- He asserts Roman citizenship to escape scourging, **22:25-30**
- His appearance before the Sanhedrin, **23:1-10**
- The message from the Lord, **23:11**
- Jewish conspiracy to kill him; he is sent to Caesarea, **23:12-33**
- His defense before Felix, **24:1-21**
- His speech to Felix about faith in Christ, **24:24-46**
- His defense before Festus; his appeal to Caesar, **25:1-12**
- His address before Agrippa, **26:1-19**

#### **Paul's Journey to Rome, 27:1 to 28:31**

- First stage of the voyage, **27:1-13**
  - The storm and leadership of Paul, **27:14-36**
  - The shipwreck and escape, **27:38-44**
  - Paul on Malta, **28:1-10**
  - His arrival at Rome and ministry there, **28:16-31**
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