

### A Chronological Table of Paul's Life and Ministry

Year	Bible Events	Contemporary Events
44 BC		Julius Caesar Assassinated
4 BC	Birth of Jesus Christ	
2 BC	Birth of Paul (Saul of Tarsus)	
6		Herod Archelaus deposed by Augustus; Samaria, Judea and Idumea placed under Roman administration, capital, Caesarea
7		Quirinius: Governor ( <i>legatus</i> ) of Syria, 1st Roman tax census of Judaea. He appoints Ananus ben Seth as High Priest.
8	Jesus (age 12) at the Temple	
9		M. Ambivius: Roman Prefect of Judaea
12		Annius Rufus: Roman Prefect of Judaea
14		<b>TIBERIUS</b> becomes emperor.
15		Valerius Gratus: Roman Prefect of Judaea
18		Joseph Caiaphas: High Priest of Jerusalem Temple, appointed by Valerius Gratus
26		Pontius Pilate: Roman Prefect of Judaea
27	John the Baptist begins ministry	
33	John the Baptist killed by Herod Antipas	
33-36	Jesus' Ministry	
36	Paul's Conversion	
37		Marcellus: Roman Prefect of Judaea
37	Paul at Damascus	<b>CALIGULA (Gaius Augustus Caesar)</b> becomes emperor (37 to 41), upon the death of TIBERIUS.
37		Herod Agrippa I: king of tetrarchies of Philip and Lysanias
38	Flight from Damascus to Jerusalem, then to Tarsus	
39		Herod Antipas exiled to Gaul on charges of secret alliance with Parthians. Caligula gives his tetrarchy (Galilee) to Herod Agrippa.
40	Paul goes to Jerusalem to meet with Peter [Gal 1:18-20]	
41		<b>CLAUDIUS</b> becomes emperor (41 to 54), upon the death of CALIGULA.
39 to 43	Paul preaches in Syria and Cilicia, making his headquarters in Tarsus.	Judea and Samaria given to Herod Agrippa I. Invasion of Britain by Aulus Plautius.
44	Paul brought from Tarsus to Antioch; stays there one year before the famine. James brother of John executed by Herod Agrippa.	Death of Herod Agrippa I. Cuspius Fadus, procurator, succeeds to the government of Judea.
45	Paul visits Jerusalem with Barnabas to relieve the famine.	
46	At Antioch.	Tiberius Alexander made procurator of Judea.
47	At Antioch	
48	First Missionary Journey (Paul and Barnabas) - from Antioch to Cyprus, Antioch of Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe	Agrippa II (Acts 25) made king of Chalcis.

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49	... and back through the same places to Antioch	Cumanus made procurator of Judea
50	Paul and Barnabas attend the Council of Jerusalem	Caractacus captured by Romans in Britain; Cogdinus, father of Claudia (? 2 Tim. 4:21) assists the Romans in Britain.
51	Second Missionary Journey - from Antioch to Cilicia, Lycaonia, Galatia	
52	... Troas, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, and Corinth (writes <b>1 THESSALONIANS</b> )	Claudius expels the Jews from Rome (Acts 18:2).
53	At Corinth; writes <b>2 THESSALONIANS</b>	Tetrarchy of Trachonitis given to Agrippa II; Felix procurator.
54	Spring: leaves Corinth and reaches Jerusalem at Pentecost; goes to Antioch Autumn: Third Missionary Journey - goes to Ephesus.	<b>NERO</b> becomes emperor (54-68), upon the death of <b>CLAUDIUS</b> (who was poisoned by his wife, Agrippina).
55, 56	Paul at Ephesus	
57	Spring: writes <b>1 CORINTHIANS</b> Summer: leaves Ephesus for Macedonia where he writes <b>2 CORINTHIANS</b> in Autumn. Winter: goes to Corinth, writes <b>GALATIANS</b>	
58	Spring: writes <b>ROMANS</b> , leaves Corinth, going by Philippi and Miletus to ... Summer: ...Jerusalem at Pentecost. He is arrested and sent to Caesarea.	
59	At Caesarea	Nero murders his mother, Agrippina
60	Autumn: Sent to Rome by Festus Winter: Shipwrecked at Malta	Felix is recalled and is succeeded by Festus
61	Spring: Arrives at Rome	Embassy of Jews comes from Jerusalem to petition about the wall.
62	At Rome. Spring: Writes <b>PHILEMON, COLOSSIANS, EPHESIANS</b> Autumn: Writes <b>PHILIPPIANS</b> .	Burrus dies; Albinus succeeds Festus as procurator of Judea; Nero marries Poppaea.
63	Paul acquitted at Rome; goes to Macedonia and Asia Minor	Daughter Claudia born to Poppaea
64	Paul goes to Spain (?)	Great fire at Rome; Roman Christians blamed and persecuted by Nero.
65	In Spain (?)	Gessius Florus made procurator of Judea; conspiracy of Piso and death of Seneca.
66	Summer: from Spain (?) to Asia	Jewish War begins.
67	Summer: Writes <b>1 TIMOTHY</b> from Macedonia Autumn: Writes <b>TITUS</b> from Ephesus. Winter: At Nicopolis	
68	Spring: In prison at Rome, writes <b>2 TIMOTHY</b> Summer: Paul executed at Nero's orders.	Death of Nero in middle of June. <b>GALBA</b> becomes emperor (68 to 69)

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