

Acts Series

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The Acts of the Apostles “To the end of the earth” Acts 1:8

Acts as a Transition and
Overview of Things to Come
Acts 13; Matthew 16:15–18; John 21:15–17



Matt. 16:15, “He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’

Matt. 16:16, “Simon Peter answered and said, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’

Matt. 16:17, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

Matt. 16:18, “ ‘And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.’”

οἰκοδομέω *oikodomeō*
FUTURE act indic 1 sing
to build
JESUS performs the action of building

John 21:15, “So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, ‘Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?’

He said to Him, ‘Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.’

He said to him, ‘Feed My lambs.’

John 21:16, “He said to him again a second time, ‘Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?’

He said to Him, ‘Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.’

He said to him, ‘Tend My sheep.’

John 21:17, “He said to him the third time, ‘Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?’ Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, ‘Do you love Me?’

And he said to Him, ‘Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.’

Jesus said to him, ‘Feed My sheep.’ ”

**βόσκω *boskō* v. 15, 17
pres act impera 2 sing
to feed, graze**

**ποιμαίνω *poimaino*
pres act impera 2 sing
to shepherd, feed**

Focus	Witness in Jerusalem		Witness in Judea & Samaria		Witness to the Ends of the Earth		
	1:1	6:7	6:8	12:25	13:1	28:31	
Divisions	Power of the Church		Expansion of the Church		Paul's Three Journeys		Paul's Three Trials
	1:1	2:47 3:1	6:7	6:8 12:25	13:1	21:16	21:17 28:31
Topics	Jews		Samaritans		Gentiles		
	Peter		Philip		Paul		
Place	Jerusalem		Judea & Samaria		Uttermost Part		
Time	2 Years (A.D. 33–35)		13 Years (A.D. 35–48)		14 Years (A.D. 48–62)		

Outline

- I. God, through the Holy Spirit, authenticates, empowers, and directs the apostles' witness in Jerusalem. (1:1–6:7)**
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A. God gives birth to a new spiritual entity, the Church. (1:1–2:47)

Matthias, Day of Pentecost, Authentication

B. The Lord expands the Church in Jerusalem. (3:1–6:7)

Healings; opposition; prayer; service

Outline

- II. God expands the witness of the Church into Judea and Samaria. (Acts 6:8–9:31)**
 - A. God allows persecution to drive the Church out of Jerusalem. (Acts 6:8–8:3)**
 - B. God sends Philip out to the Samaritans and demonstrates their unity with the work in Jerusalem by a similar outpouring of the Holy Spirit by the hands of Peter and John. (Acts 8:4–40)**
 - C. God saves Saul which prepares the way for the Gentiles. (Acts 9:1–31)**
 - D. God directs Peter to take the gospel to the Gentiles, who become equal members in the body of Christ. (Acts 10:1–11:30)**
 - E. God allows persecution to develop under Herod Agrippa I, disciplines him through death, and moves Paul and Barnabas to Antioch, the new center for the expansion of Christianity. (Acts 12:1–25)**

- Antipas
- Philip
- Archelaus (ruled by governor after A.D. 6)
- Decapolis



Outline

III. God expands the Church to the end of the earth. (13:1–28:31)

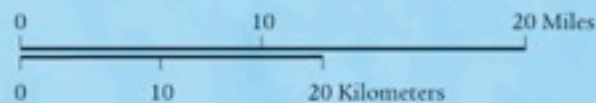
**A. God expands the Church into Asia Minor.
(Acts 12:25–18:22)**

1st two missionary journeys

**B. God expands the Church to Rome:
Paul's third missionary journey and the
trip to Rome. (Acts 18:23–28:31)**

THE MINISTRY OF PETER AND PHILIP

- ★ Capital city
- City
- ▲ Mountain
- ← Philip ministers in Samaria
- ← Peter and John minister throughout Samaria
- ← Philip ministers on the plains
- ← Peter ministers on the plains



MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Peter receives a vision (Acts 10:9ff)
Tabitha is raised (Acts 9:36ff)

Philip preaches throughout coast (Acts 8:40)

Cornelius is converted and baptized (Acts 10:34ff)

Simon the sorcerer converted (Acts 8:13ff)

Aeneas is healed (Acts 9:32ff)

Peter and John are arrested (Acts 4:1ff); Stephen is martyred (Acts 7:54ff); James is martyred and Peter is imprisoned (Acts 12:1ff)





MACEDONIA

THRACE

BITHYNIA AND PONTUS

GALATIA

CAPPADOCIA

COMMAGENE

CILICIA

SYRIA

NABATEA

JUDEA

ASIA

CARIA

LYCIA

PAMPHYLIA

ACHAIA

BLACK SEA

MARMARA SEA

AEGEAN SEA

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

DEAD SEA

Jerusalem

Caesarea Maritima

Sidon

Damascus

Hamath

Antioch

Tarsus

Derbe

Lystra

Iconium

Antioch in Pisidia

Laodicea

Sardis

Smyrna

Ephesus

Miletus

Saguntum

Patmos

Naxos

Chios

Mitylene

Lesbos

Troas

Lemnos

Samothrace

Thasos

Neapolis

Philippi

Amphipolis

Thessalonica

Berea

Delphi

Corinth

Athens

Sparta

Crete

Rhodes

Salamis

Cyprus

Paphos

Alps River

Hellespont

Jordan River

PAUL'S FIRST AND SECOND MISSIONARY JOURNEYS

- City
- ← 1st missionary journey: outbound
- 1st missionary journey: inbound
- ← 2nd missionary journey: outbound
- 2nd missionary journey: inbound



PAUL'S THIRD MISSIONARY JOURNEY

- City
- One of the "Seven Churches" (Rev. 2-3)
- ← Paul's route



PAUL'S TRIP TO ROME
● City
→ Paul's route



- City
- Perimeter boundary of Roman Empire
- Roman territory by the time of Julius Caesar (d. 44 BC)
- Roman territory by the time of Augustus Caesar (d. 14 BC)
- Roman territory by the time of Trajan (d. AD 117)
- Territory temporarily controlled by Rome
- - - East-West division of the Roman Empire (AD 395)

500 1,000 Miles
 500 1,000 Kilometers



C I L I C I A

Tarsus

Antioch

Aleppo

Cyprus

S Y R I A

Hamath

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Sidon

Tyre

Damascus

Arabian Desert

Sea of Galilee

Jerusalem

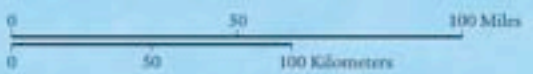
Philadelphia

DEAD SEA

Gaza

J U D E A

T E A



PAUL'S EARLY TRAVELS

- City
- ← Paul journeys from Jerusalem to Damascus to seek out Christians (*Acts 9:1ff*)
- ← Paul spends time in Arabia (*Gal 1:17*)
- ← Paul returns to Jerusalem (*Acts 9:26ff*)
- ← Paul flees from Jerusalem to Tarsus (*Acts 9:28ff*)
- ← Barnabas journeys from Antioch to Tarsus to bring Paul



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Paul's Discourses

Antioch Pisidia	13:16–41	Jews
Lystra	14:15–17	Gentiles
Areopagus	17:22–31	Gentiles
Ephesus	19:35–41	Gentiles
Jerusalem	22:1–21	Jews
Sanhedrin	23:1–6	Jews
Felix	24:10–25	Jews
Festus/Agrippa II	26:1–32	Jews
Rome	28:17–29	Jews