

THE
ACTS
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
THROUGH THE APOSTLES



The Acts of the Apostles

PURPOSE:

To give an accurate account of the birth and growth of the Christian church.

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TO WHOM WRITTEN:

Theophilus and all lovers of God

DATE WRITTEN:

A.D. 63

SETTING:

Acts is the connecting link between Christ's life and the life of the church, between the Gospels and the Letters

KEY VERSE:

Acts 1:8

KEY PEOPLE:

Peter, Paul also John, James, Stephen, Philip, Barnabas, Cornelius, James, Timothy, Lydia, Silas, Titus, Apollos, Agabus, Ananias, Felix, Festus, Agrippa, Luke

KEY PLACES:

Jerusalem, Samaria, Lydda, Joppa, Antioch, Cyprus, Pisidian, Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Caesarea, Malta, Rome

OUTLINE:

Peter's Ministry (Acts 1:1-12:25)

Establishment of the church

Expansion of the church

Paul's Ministry (Acts 12:1-28:31)

First missionary journey

The council at Jerusalem

Second missionary journey

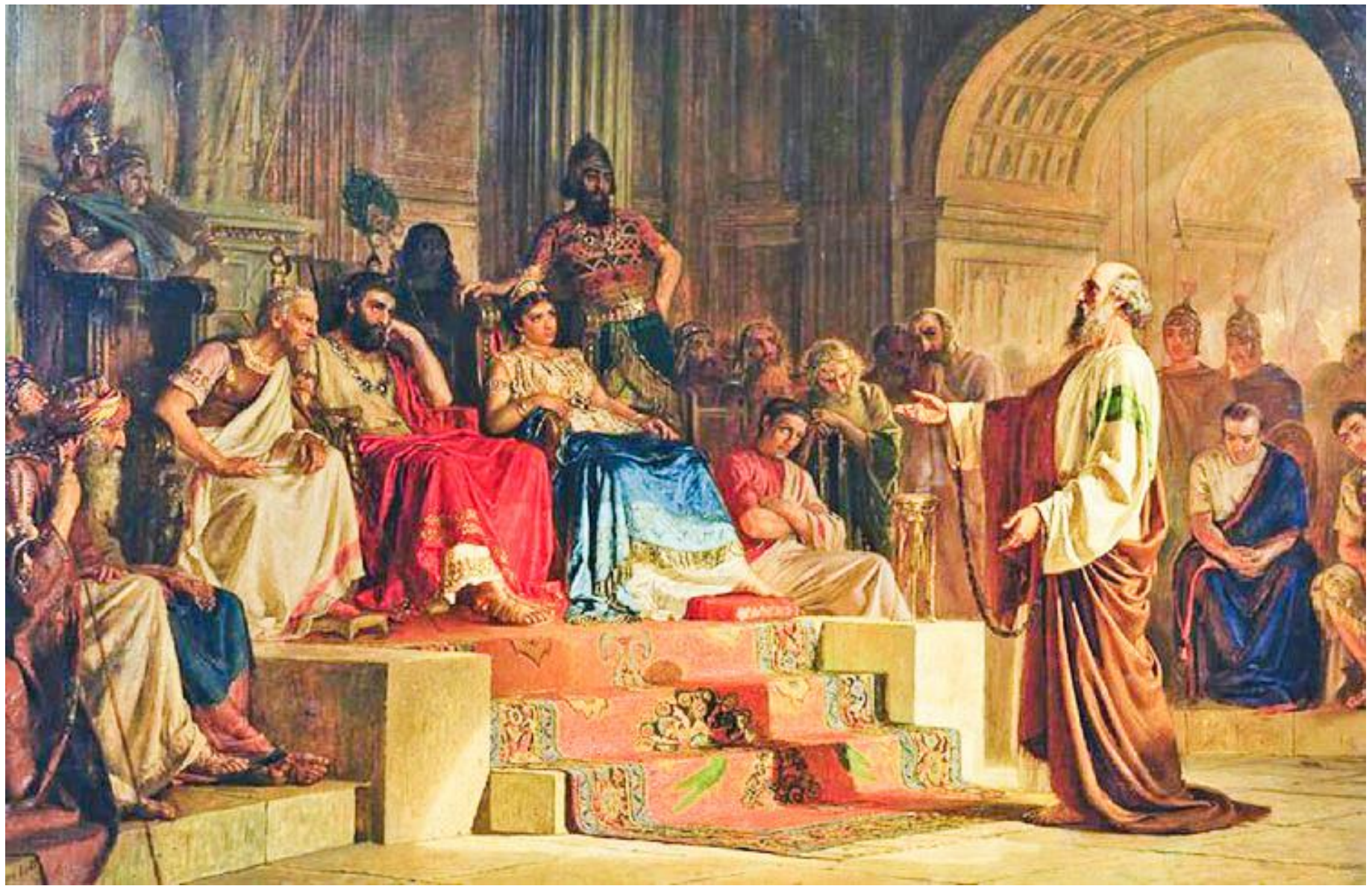
Third missionary journey

Paul on trial

ACTS

	The Church Established at “Jerusalem”	The Church Enlarged to “Judea and Samaria”	The Church Expanded to “the Ends of the Earth”		
AD 30	<p>The church is . . .</p> <p>born</p> <p>tested</p> <p>purified</p> <p>strengthened</p> <p><i>CHAPTERS</i> 1–7</p>	<p>The gospel is . . .</p> <p>spreading</p> <p>multiplying</p> <p>changing lives</p> <p>breaking traditions</p> <p><i>CHAPTERS</i> 8–12</p>	<p>The witness is . . .</p> <p>extended</p> <p>received and rejected</p> <p>changing lives</p> <p>unifying Jews and Gentiles</p> <p><i>CHAPTERS</i> 13–28</p>		
Leaders	The apostle Peter		The apostle Paul		
Emphasis	Jewish evangelism	Transition	Gentile evangelism		
Time	AD 33 (1:1–2:47)	AD 36 (8:1)	AD 40 (9:32)	AD 46 (13:1)	AD 57 (21:18)
Scope	City evangelism	National evangelism		Cross-cultural evangelism	
Theme	In the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus’s followers carry the good news of Christ to the world.				
Key Verse	1:8				
Christ in Acts	Jesus is the glorified, enthroned Savior, who continues His ministry in the world by means of the Holy Spirit working through His disciples until He returns (1:7–9).				

AD 60



Paul stands before Governor Porcius Festus and Herod Agrippa II



Paul boards ship to Rome



MAP OF PAUL'S JOURNEY TO ROME

Acts 27 & 28

- City
- One of the "Seven Churches"
- ← Paul's Itinerary





storm at sea

Application

1. **Trust God in the trials in life.** He's in control. Sometimes life brings good things, and sometimes life brings bad things. But there isn't such a thing as luck, fate, or chance. You can't walk around and say 'Why has this happened to me? Arrg!' Or 'I hope I get lucky today.' No. You must trust God in two aspects: His Word and His Character. He loves you with unconditional love. Just trust Him.

2. **Realize your responsibilities are as children of God.** a. We belong to Him. You belong to Jesus Christ. You are not your own. You have trusted Christ as Savior and Lord. He has bought you. b. We are His servants. Our lives should count for Christ. Every day.

3. **Be ready to proclaim the Good News Message.** The truth about Jesus Christ. Your goal, plans, and responsibility as someone who has trusted Christ as Savior, we have the privilege to tell others about Jesus Christ. So be ready. Look and pray for opportunities. Know the Gospel. Know your testimony. Know a method of sharing your faith. He is working all things for His glory.