



A Few Important Details:

Author

Luke (a doctor who accompanied Paul on his church planting trips).

Scope of the Book

The book focuses in on the work of the Apostles (especially Peter and Paul) during the first 30 years of the Church.

Introduction

The book of Acts, sometimes called the "Acts of the Apostles", tells us what happened after Jesus left the earth and ascended back to heaven. The accounts (gospels) written by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John tell us Jesus amassed a significant number of followers during His ministry. So, what happened to them when He left? This is their story. But more important than their individual stories, this is the story of how God worked through them to accomplish His bigger worldwide plan.

A1

Jesus ascends to heaven and the Apostles pick a replacement for Judas Iscariot

A2

The Apostles receive the Holy Spirit's power and invite people to join the Kingdom of God.

A3

Peter and John heal a lame man and preach to the people in the Temple.

A4

Peter and John arrested by the Jewish leaders, but are later released without punishment.

A5

Ananias and Sapphira lie about their charity. An angel breaks the Apostles out of prison.

A6

7 men chosen to care for the widows of the Church. Stephen arrested for preaching Jesus.

A7

Stephen is murdered after angering the Jewish council with his preaching.

A8

Simon, a magician, and an Ethiopian treasurer become disciples after hearing Phillip teach.

A9

Saul (Paul) becomes a disciple. Peter heals Aeneas and raises Dorcas from the dead.

A10

Peter visits Cornelius' house and baptizes the first Gentile converts.

A11

Peter defends his work at Cornelius' house. Barnabas and Paul begin working in Antioch.

A12

Herod kills the Apostle James. Peter is imprisoned but an angel frees him in the night.

A13

Paul and Barnabas set out to plant churches. They visit Cyprus and Antioch in Pisidia.

A14

Barnabas and Paul visit Iconium, Lystra, and Derbe before returning to Antioch in Syria

A15

The saints meet in Jerusalem to discuss circumcision. Paul starts his 2nd missionary trip.

A16

Paul, Silas, and Timothy go to Philippi. While there, they baptize Lydia and the local jailer.

A17

Paul preaches in Thessalonica and Berea before visiting the Areopagus in Athens.

A18

Paul works in Corinth and Ephesus before going back to Antioch. He then begins a 3rd trip.

A19

Paul preaches in Ephesus for ~2 years. The idolatrous craftsmen start a riot in the city.

A20

Paul in Macedonia, Greece, Troas, and Ephesus. Eutychus raised from the dead in Troas.

A21

From Ephesus, Paul travels by sea to Caesarea. In Jerusalem, a mob of Jews attack Paul.

A22

Paul recounts his conversion to the Jews who attacked him. He is put in jail for the night.

A23

Paul appears before the Jewish council. He is sent to Governor Felix to evade a murder plot.

A24

Paul and the Jews make their case before Felix. Felix keeps Paul in prison without cause.

A25

Paul put on trial before Festus, the new governor, and king Agrippa in Caesarea.

A26

Paul gives his defense before Agrippa and tells him the story of his conversion.

A27

Paul begins his journey to Rome to stand trial. His ship is wrecked on the island of Malta.

A28

Paul finally makes it to Rome and spends 2 years in house arrest.