

Bible in a Year #49- The Book of Acts, Intro

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BIBLE IN A YEAR- The Acts of the Apostles

The Author and Purpose

1. Luke was the auhor of Luke and Acts (1:1-2); (Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-11).
2. Commisioned by Theolophilus, a Gentile; **historical** account of Jesus.
3. Believed relation to Paul’s upcoming court date in Rome, **apologetic**.
4. In each case, the emphasis is on having a **knowledge of Him**.

Definitions

1. What is the church? _____
 - a. Ekklesia- _____
2. What is the gospel? _____
 - a. Evangelion- _____
3. Who is the Holy Spirit? _____
 - a. Parakletos- _____

ACTS

	The Church Established at “Jerusalem” The church is . . . born tested purified strengthened CHAPTERS 1–7	The Church Enlarged to “Judea and Samaria” The gospel is . . . spreading multiplying changing lives breaking traditions CHAPTERS 8–12	The Church Expanded to “the Ends of the Earth” The witness is . . . extended received and rejected changing lives unifying Jews and Gentiles CHAPTERS 13–28	
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).			