

## PAULINE CHRONOLOGY<sup>1</sup>

Crucifixion of Christ	Fri., Apr. 3, 33
Pentecost (Acts 2)	Sun., May 24, 33
Peter's second sermon and brought before the Sanhedrin (Acts 3:1-4:31) summer 33	
Death of Ananias and Saphira (Acts 4:32-5:11)	33-34
Peter brought before Sanhedrin (Acts 5:12-42)	34-25
Deacons selected (Acts 6:1-7)	late 34 -early 35
Stephen Martyred (Acts 6:8-7:60)	Apr. 35
Paul's Conversion (Acts 9:1-7)	summer 35
Paul in Damascus and Arabia (Acts 9:8-25; Gal. 1:18-20)	summer 37
Paul in Jerusalem, first visit (Acts 9:26-29; Gal. 1:18-20)	summer 37
Paul went to Tarsus and Syria-Cilicia area (Acts 9:30; Gal. 1:21)	autumn 37
Peter ministers to Gentiles (Acts 10:1-11:18)	40-41
Barnabas sent to Antioch (Acts 11:19-24)	41
Paul went to Antioch (Acts 11:25-26)	spring 43
Agabus predicts a famine (Acts 11:27-28)	spring 44
Agrippa's persecution, James <sup>2</sup> martyred (Acts 12:1-23)	spring 44
Relief visit, Paul's second visit to Jerusalem (Acts 11:30; Gal. 2:1-10)	autumn 47
Paul in Antioch (Acts 12:25-13:1)	autumn 47 -spring 48
First Missionary Journey (Acts 13-14)	Apr. 48-Sept. 49
Departure from Antioch	Apr. 48
Cyprus	Apr.-June 48
Pamphylia	first of July-middle of July 48
Pisidian Antioch	middle of July-middle of Sept 48
Iconium	Oct. 48- last of Feb. 49
Lystra-Derbe	Mar. middle of June 49
Return visit to churches	middle of June to Aug. 49
Return to Antioch in Syria	Sept. 49
Peter in Antioch (Gal. 2:11-16)	autumn 49

<sup>1</sup>The basic outline is taken from the conclusion to Dr. Hoehner's Dissertation of the same name, *The Chronology of the Apostolic Age*, by Harold Hoehner, Th.D. Ph.D., Chairman of the Department of New Testament Literature and Exegesis at Dallas Theological Seminary. Footnotes, Book Purposes, and emphasis added.

<sup>2</sup>This is James the disciple, brother of John, not the author of the Epistle or brother of Jesus.

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<b>Galatians</b> written from Antioch Purpose: To combat legalism of Judaizers who added the law to the requirements for salvation & sanctification.	autumn 49
Jerusalem Council, Paul's third visit (Acts 15)	autumn 49
Paul in Antioch (Acts 15:30-35)	winter 49/50
Second Missionary Journey (Acts 15:36-18:22)	Apr. 50-Sept. 52
Departure from Antioch	Apr. 50
Syria and Cilicia	Apr. 50
Lystra-Derbe	May 50
Iconium	last of may-middle of June 50
Pisidian Antioch	middle of June-first of July 50
Antioch to Troas	July 50
Philippi	Aug. to Oct. 50
Thessalonica	Nov. 50-Jan. 51
Berea	Feb. 51
Athens	last of Feb. middle of Mar. 51
Arrival at Corinth	middle of Mar. 51
Silas and Timothy arrive from Berea	Apr./May 51
<b>1 Thessalonians</b> written from Corinth Purpose: To encourage a model church to continue in their good works in light of the Lord's return.	early summer 51
<b>2 Thessalonians</b> written from Corinth Purpose: To encourage steadfast living and correct a misunderstanding about the Lord's return.	summer 51
Departure from Corinth	first of Sept. 52
Ephesus	middle of Sept. 52
Jerusalem, Paul's fourth visit	last of Sept. 52
Return to Antioch	first/middle of Nov. 52
Paul's stay in Antioch	winter 52/53
Third Missionary Journey (Acts 18:23-21:16)	spring 53 - May 57
Departure from Antioch	spring 53
Visiting Galatian churches	spring-summer 53
Arrival at Ephesus	Sept. 53
<b>1 Corinthians</b> written from Ephesus Purpose: To correct divisions and disorders in the church and answer a number of questions.	early spring 56
Departure from Ephesus (riot)	first of May 56
Troas	May 56
Arrival in Macedonia	first of June 56
<b>2 Corinthians</b> written from Macedonia Purpose: To defend Paul's apostolic authority and concern for the church and warn them of the false teachers.	Sept./Oct. 56
Departure from Macedonia	middle of Nov. 56
Arrival at Corinth	last of Nov. 56

<b>Romans</b> written from Corinth	winter 56/57
Purpose: To make a clear presentation of the Gospel which is the righteousness of God as a preparation for his visit to Rome on the way to Spain.	
Departure from Corinth	last of Feb. 57
Philippi	Apr. 6-14, 57
Troas	Apr. 19-25, 57
Troas to Assos	Mon., Apr. 25, 57
Assos to Mitylene	Apr. 26, 57
Mitylene to Chios	Apr. 27, 57
Chios to Trogyllium	Apr. 28, 57
Trogyllium to Miletus	Apr. 29, 57
Ephesian Elders see Paul	Apr. 30- May 2, 57
Miletus to Patara	May 2-4, 57
Patara to Tyre	May 10-16, 57
Stay at Tyre	May 10-16, 57
Tyre to Caesarea	May 17-19, 57
Stay at Caesarea	May 19-25, 57
Caesarea to Jerusalem	May 25-27, 57
Jerusalem, Paul's fifth visit	eve of Pentecost. May 27, 57
Meeting with James <sup>3</sup> (Acts 21:13-23)	May 28, 57
Paul's arrest and trial before Felix (Acts 21:26-24:22)	May 29-June 9, 57
First day of purification	Sun. May 29, 57
Second day of purification	May 30, 57
Third day of purification	May 31, 57
Fourth day of purification	June 1, 57
Fifth day of purification, riot, Paul's speech	June 2, 57
Paul before Sanhedrin	June 3, 57
Appearance of the Lord (night) <sup>4</sup>	June 4, 57
Conspiracy (day)	June 4, 57
Journey to Antipatras (night)	June 5, 57
Journey to Caesarea (day)	June 5, 57
Waiting in Caesarea for trial	June 5-9, 57
Trial before Felix	Thurs., June 9, 57
Paul before Felix and Drusilla (Acts 24:24-26)	June 57
Casarean Imprisonment (Acts 24:27)	June 57-Aug. 59
Trial before Festus (Acts 25:7-12)	July 59
Trial before Agrippa (Acts 26)	first of Aug. 59
Voyage to Rome (Acts 27:1-28:29)	Aug. 59-Feb. 60
Departure from Caesarea	middle of Aug. 59
Myra	first of Sept. 59
Fair Havens	Oct. 5-10, 59
Shipwreck at Malta	last of Oct. 59
Departure from Malta	first of Feb. 60
Arrival at Rome	last of Feb. 60

<sup>3</sup>This is James the Brother of our Lord, author of the Epistle and elder of the Jerusalem church

<sup>4</sup>In Jewish calculations the night before a day is a part of that day.

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First Roman imprisonment (Acts 28:30)	Feb. 60-Mar.62
<b>Ephesians</b> written while in Prison Purpose: To encourage the Ephesians believers to live worthy of their calling as children of God.	autumn 60
<b>Colossians</b> and <b>Philemon</b> written while in Prison Purpose: Colossians - To demonstrate the supremacy of Christ over all else. Philemon - To encourage Philemon to accept his slave Onesimus as a brother in Christ	autumn 61
<b>Philippians</b> written while in Prison Purpose: To encourage the Philippian Church to continue in their partnership in the gospel.	early spring 62
James, the Lord's brother Martyred	spring 62
Paul in Ephesus and Colossae	spring-autumn 62
Peter went to Rome	62
Paul in Macedonia	late summer 62-early winter 62/63
<b>1 Timothy</b> written from Macedonia Purpose: To encourage Timothy to resume his responsibility as an elder.	autumn 62
Paul in Asia minor	spring 63-spring 64
Paul in Spain	spring 64-spring 66
Christians persecuted, Peter martyred	summer 64
Paul in Crete	early summer 66
Paul in Asia Minor	summer-autumn 66
<b>Titus</b> written from Asia Minor Purpose: To encourage Titus to set things in order on Crete.	summer 66
Paul in Nicopolis	winter 66/67
Paul in Macedonia and Greece	spring-autumn 67
Paul arrested and brought to Rome	autumn 67
<b>2 Timothy</b> written from Prison in Rome Purpose: To encourage Timothy to continue as Paul's disciple and to ask him to visit Paul in Rome.	autumn 67
Paul's death	spring 68
Destruction of Jerusalem	Sept. 2, 70