

AN OUTLINED STUDY OF THE BOOK OF ACTS

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The goal of the study, which is only eight lessons, is to summarize the major steps by which the gospel went forth into all the world, using Acts 1:8 as the foundational text.

The studies are divided according to internal markers of geographic expansion.

The goal in each lesson is not to explain the meaning of the text.

The goal is to show how the events in each subsection of the text contributed to the advance of the gospel, while noting obstacles, challenges, significant advances, and new methods.

1 Intro to Book, sequences, 1

Historical, spiritual, geographical, opposition—external, internal, Jews—Gentiles, hindrances

Pre-Pentecost, getting ready for the spread of the gospel

2 Jerusalem, 2-6

2-4, external challenges

5-6, internal challenges (6:7 is a summary/transition verse)

3 Galilee, Judea, Samaria, 7-9:31

Stephen, scattering, eunuch, 7-8

Saul, 9 (9:31 is a summary/transition verse)

4 On to Antioch, 10-12:24

Cornelius, 10-11

Expansion, 11-12, through 12:24-25 (12:24 is a summary/transition verse)

5 Into Galatia

First journey, 13-14

Jerusalem, 15 – 16:5, through 16:5 (16:5 is a summary/transition verse)

6 Second journey, 16-19:20

On to Macedonia, 16-17

Achaia and Ephesus, 18-19:20 (19:20 is the summary/transition verse)

7 Chapters 20-28 (Part 1, 20-24)

Leaving Ephesus, through Macedonia and Greece, on to Jerusalem, 19:21-20-21

Paul's arrest, trial before Sanhedrin, Felix, 22-23-24

8 Chapters 20-28, Part 2, 25-28:31

Festus, Agrippa, 25-26

On to Rome, 27-28 (28:31 is a summary/transition verse)