

Charts and Lists

FIRST CENTURY CHRONOLOGY

Acts 1-12 covers approximately 15 years from 30 - 45 AD

- 31 - 33 AD Jesus' Ascension, Pentecost, Ananias & Sapphira, Stephen, Philip, persecution.
- 33 AD Conversion of Saul of Tarsus.
- 33 - 43 AD Peter's Ministry; Saul in Arabia, Damascus, Jerusalem & Tarsus.
- 43 - 44 AD Antioch church is formed; it is the first local church outside the land of Israel; it is the first place the name "Christian" is used.
- 44 AD James martyred; Peter imprisoned; Herod Agrippa I dies.
- 45 AD Famine relief sent from Gentile Christians in Antioch to Jewish believers in Jerusalem.

Paul's Life: dates are approximate

Birth in Tarsus c. 1 AD

Education in Jerusalem under Gamaliel from 13 - 22 AD; trained as rabbi & theologian in Tarsus in the university; also rabbi in one of the synagogues from 22 - 32 AD

Rabbi in Jerusalem 32 - 33 AD

Training 33 - 45 AD

- Conversion on Damascus Road 34 AD
- Preparation & preaching in Arabia & Damascus 33-36 AD
- First visit to Jerusalem as a believer 36 AD
- Teaching in Tarsus 36-43 AD
- Pastor with Barnabas in Antioch 44-46 AD
- Famine visit to Jerusalem 45 AD

Missionary 46-56 AD Council visit in Jerusalem 49 AD

Prisoner in Caesarea & Rome 56-60 AD

Last years of ministry 60-68 AD

Paul's Writings

1st Trip 46-49 AD no books written

2nd Trip 49-53 AD
from Corinth, he wrote **1-2 Thessalonians**

3rd Trip 53-56 AD
from Ephesus, he wrote **1 Corinthians**
from Macedonia, he wrote **2 Corinthians**
from Corinth, he wrote **Romans, Galatians**

As **prisoner** 58-60 AD
from house arrest in Rome, he wrote **Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon, Philippians**

In his **last years of freedom** 60-68 AD
from Macedonia, he wrote **1 Timothy, Titus**
from prison in Rome, he wrote **2 Timothy**

Other New Testament Writings

- 45 AD James
- 58-60 AD Luke, Acts
- 60-64 AD Mark, Matthew
- 64-70 AD Hebrews, 1-2 Peter
- 70-75 AD Jude
- 90-91 AD Gospel of John, 1-3 John
- 95-96 AD Revelation

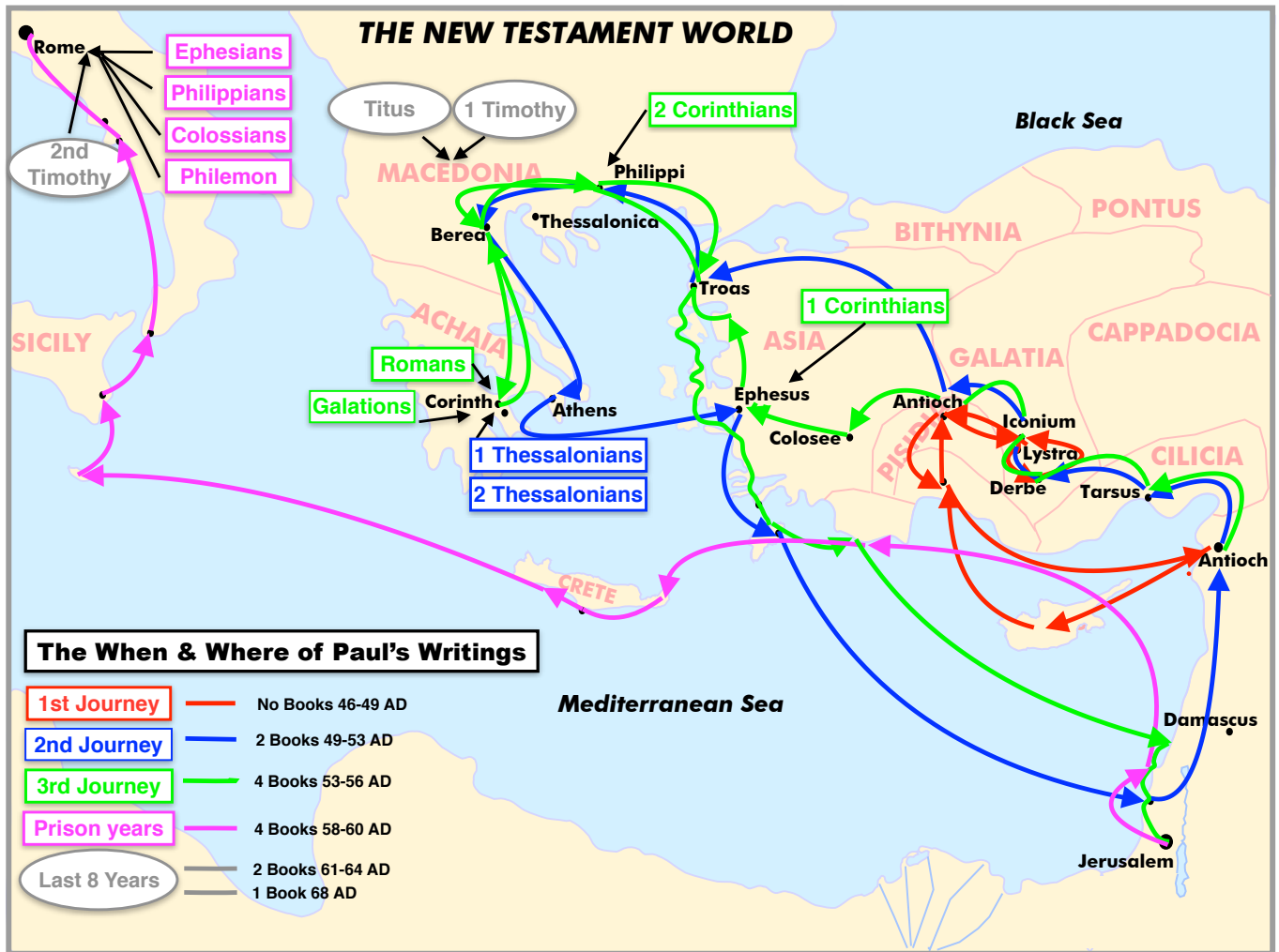
Later Important Dates

- 64 AD Fire burned part of Rome and Nero blamed the Christians. This began a wave of persecution.
- 68 AD Peter and Paul were martyred for their faith in Jesus.
- 70 AD The Roman army burned the Jewish Temple, destroyed Jerusalem and removed the nation of Israel from the map. One million Jews were killed.
- 81 AD Domitian became Caesar of the Roman empire.
- 94 AD Domitian required everyone to say, *Caesar is Lord*.
- 94-95 AD At least 40,000 believers in Jesus refused and were killed. John is exiled to Patmos island.

Maps



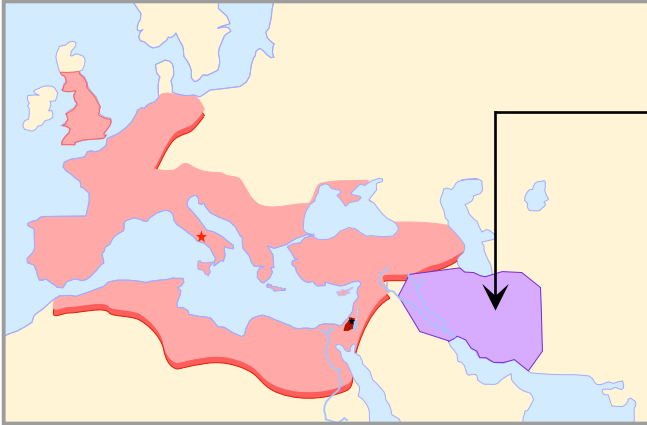
WHEN & WHERE PAUL WROTE HIS LETTERS



PAUL'S MISSIONARY TRAVELS



LOCATION OF READERS



Bible scholars believe James is writing dispersion Jews who lived to the east of the Roman empire.

John writes to Jewish pastors & believers who live in the western part of Asia province



Illustrations

SALVATION is when our imperfection is removed and Jesus' perfection is credited to us.

The Sin and Burnt Offerings in the Old Testament were picture language.

Jesus came as the perfect Lamb of God.

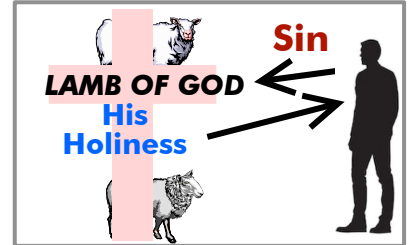
All of our sin was transferred to Jesus on the cross.

All of His perfection and holiness is credited to us,
when we accept His payment

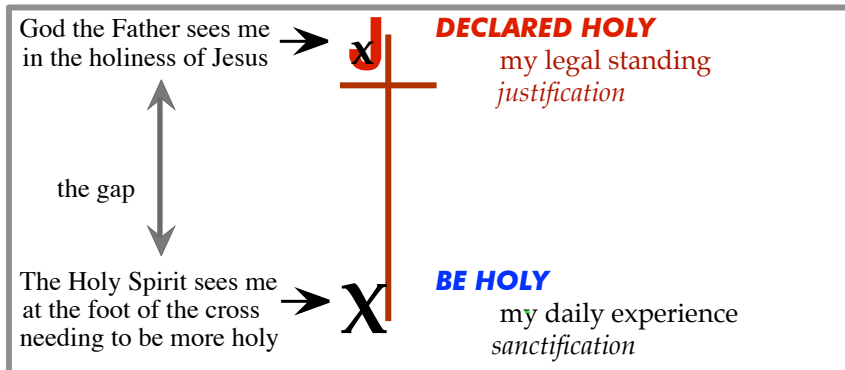
God took the sinless Christ & poured onto Him our sins.

Then in exchange, He poured God's goodness into us.

2 Cor 5:21 (Living Bible)



The Christian Life How God sees us



Salvation is when I receive **justification**. The **Christian life** is when I am receiving **sanctification**.

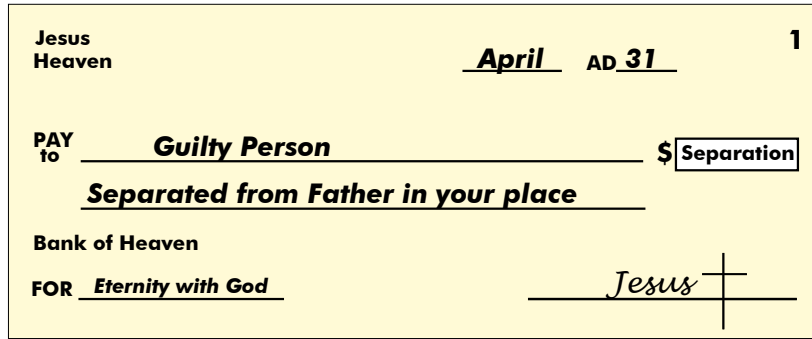
Salvation is when I am declared **holy**. The **Christian life** is when I am becoming **holy**.

The goal is to close the gap between the holiness that God put on my account
and the holiness I have in my daily experience.

The return of Jesus is when my holiness will be complete; there will be no more gap.

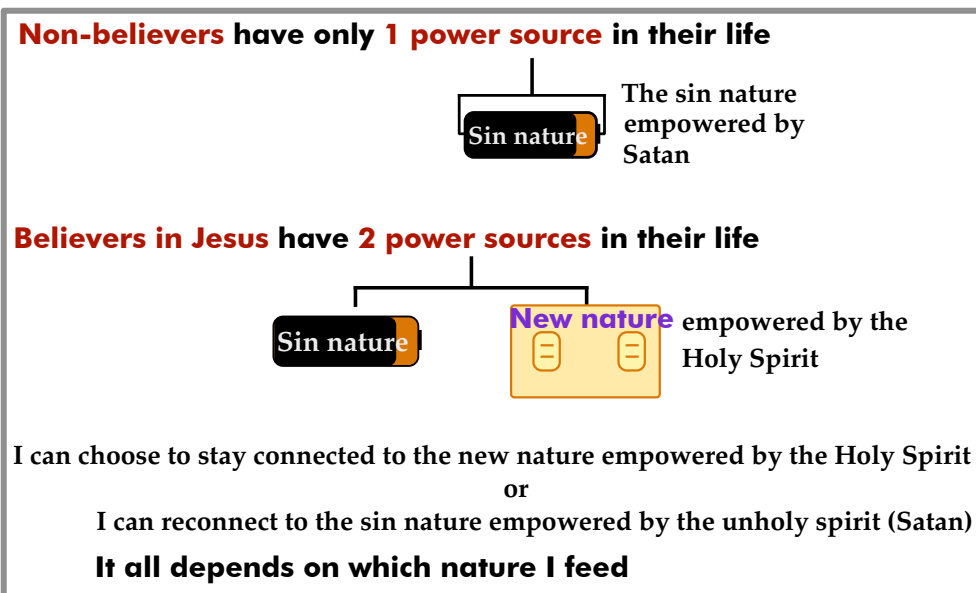
OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

Saved from the penalty of sin

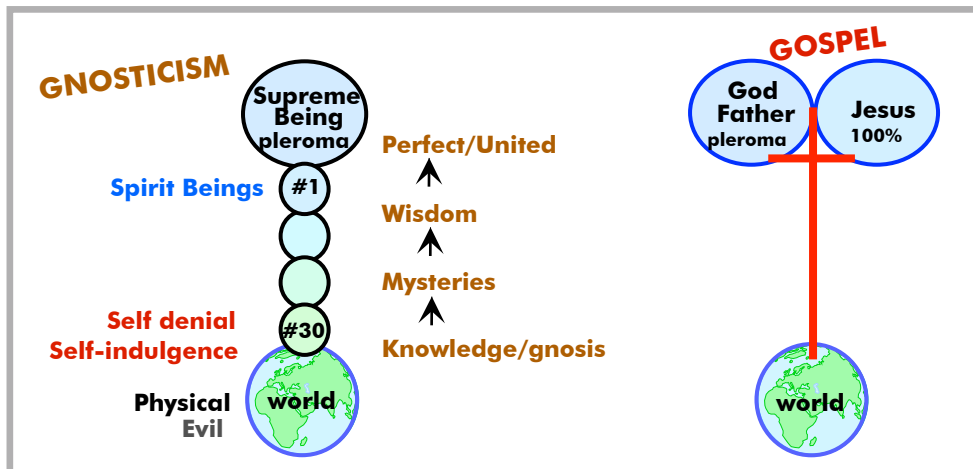


The check Jesus offers us in order to pay our fine/penalty.

Saved from the power of sin

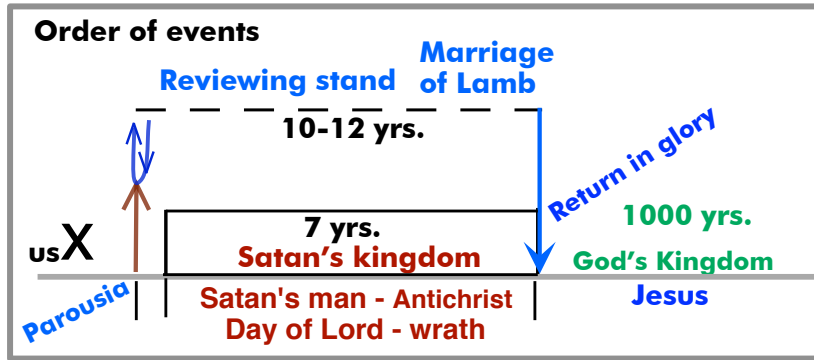


GNOSTICISM



FUTURE EVENTS

The 2 Returns of Jesus



<u>PAROUSIA</u>	<u>RETURN IN GLORY</u>
Comes as far as the clouds	Comes to the earth
Is about blessing & reward	Is about judgment
Comes as bridegroom	Comes as King of God's Kingdom
Comes to remove believers	Comes to destroy the wicked
Is encouragement for believers	Is to bring fear to non-believers

<u>PAROUSIA</u>	<u>DAY OF THE LORD</u>
Future of believers	Future of non-believers
Takes place in the air	Takes place on the earth
Blessing	Judgment
Encouragement	Darkness, wrath