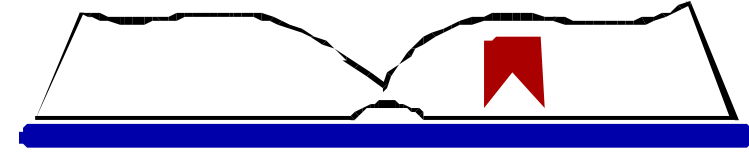


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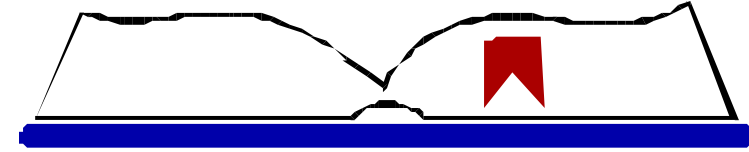
Acts 18:23-21:40

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- 1 - Ascension of Jesus, Replacement of Judas as Apostle
- 2 - Peter's Sermon in Jerusalem
- 3 - Beggar Healed, Preaching in Jerusalem
- 4 - Apostles Persecuted
- 5 - The Death of Ananias & Sapphary
- 6 - Servers (Deacons) Chosen
- 7 - Stephen stoned
- 8 - Philip in Samaria, Ethiopian eunuch converted.

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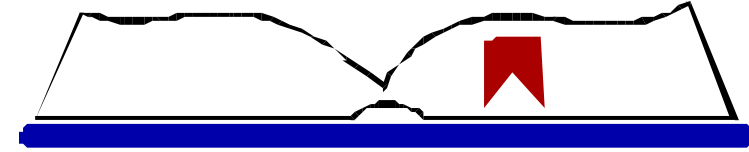
- 9 - Paul's Conversion
- 10 - Cornelius' Conversion
- 11 - Cornelius' Conversion Reported
- 12 - James Martyred, Herod Dies.
- 13 - Paul's First Missionary Journey
- 14 - Paul & Barnabus Preach in Various Cities
- 15 - Council in Jerusalem, Paul's 2nd Missionary Journey

Paul's Second Missionary Journey



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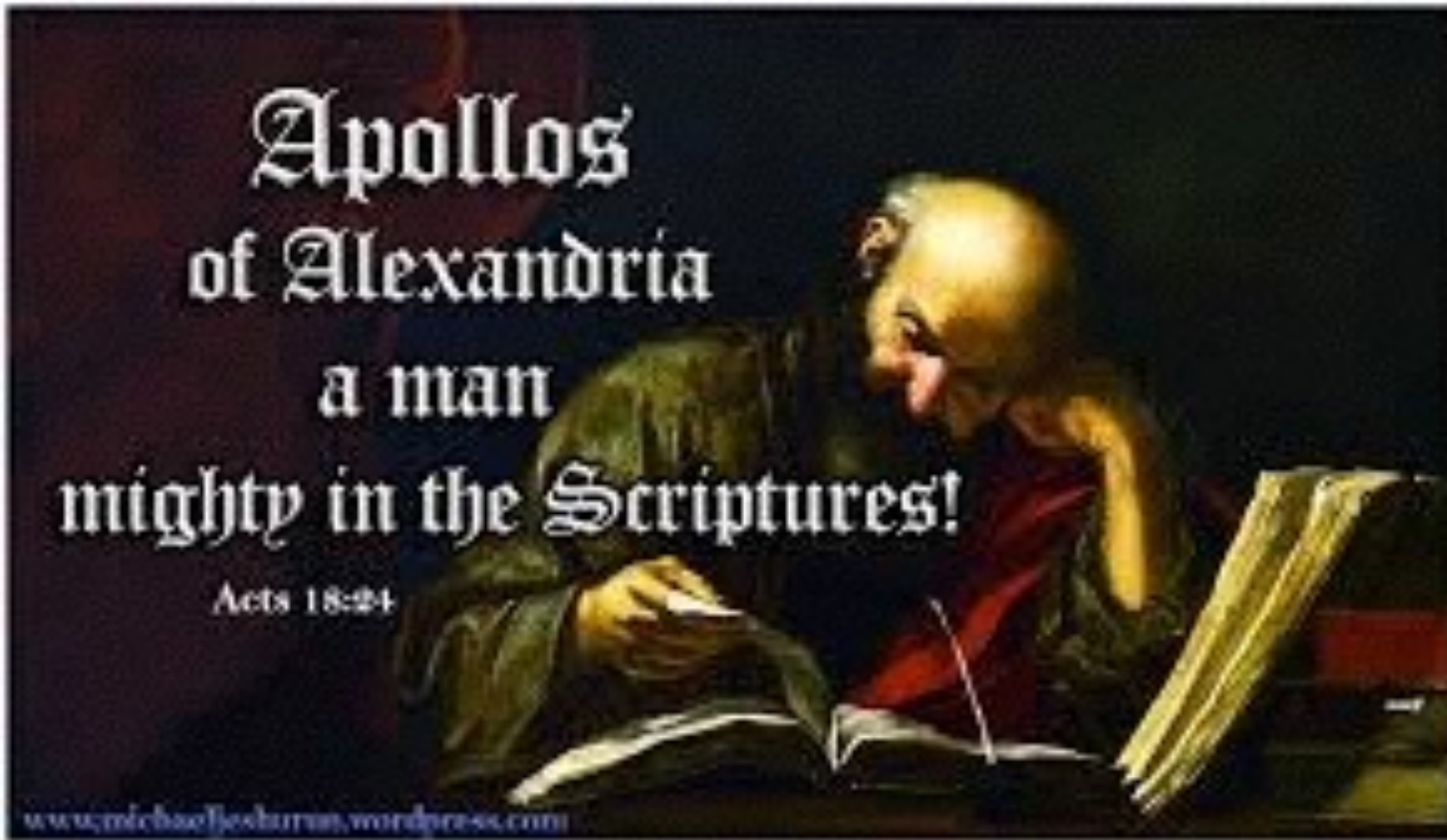
- 16 - Conversion of Philippian Jailer
- 17 - Paul at Athens
- 18 - Paul at Corinth----Jerusalem---Antioch
- 19 - Paul at Ephesus
- 20 - Paul at Macedonia & With Ephesus Elders
- 21 - Paul Journeys Back to Jerusalem

Acts 18:23

Acts 21:40

3RD
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Apollos Conversion: Acts 18:24-



- Converted by Priscilla and Aquilla
- Went to Corinth- became an influential leader 1Cor 1:13-
- Author of Hebrews?
- Its powerful for couples to work together in evangelism

Apollos





MACEDONIA

THRACE

BLACK SEA

BITHYNIA
AND PONTUS

GALATIA

ASIA

CAPPADOCIA

COMMAGENE

CILICIA

ACHAIA

CARIA

PAMPHYLIA

LYCIA

SYRIA

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

PHOENICIA

ABILENE

NABATEA

JUDEA

PAUL'S THIRD MISSIONARY JOURNEY

- City
- One of the "Seven Churches" (Rev. 2-3)
- ← Paul's route

Types of Baptisms in the NT: Acts 19:1-7

Baptism	Occasion(s)	Purpose
John's Baptism	Before and during Jesus' ministry	Baptism for “good” jews who were waiting for the messiah
Baptism of the Holy Spirit	Twice: Acts 2 (Day of Pentecost) Acts 10(Cornelius house)	Usher in the Church of Christ to the Jews and later to the Gentiles
Baptism in water for the forgiveness of sins	For Jews (after Acts 2) and Gentiles (after Acts 10) ie for everyone!	Completion of the conversion journey for Christians. Point at which sins are forgiven by faith.

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the NT: Acts 19:1-7

Manifestation	Occasion(s)	Purpose
Baptism with the Holy Spirit	Twice: Acts 2 (Day of Pentecost) Acts 10(Cornelius house) Power/Speaking in other languages (“tongues”)	Establishment of the Church
Indwelling of the Holy Spirit	Received at baptism in water for the forgiveness of sins. All Christians get Jesus	Enables one to be <u>Christ-like</u> and <u>Christ-centred</u>
Miraculous gifts of the holy Spirit	Apostles: 12+1 Anyone on whom the apostles laid their hands	To testify to the gospel (unwritten then-”rhema”)- Heb 2: 4; ”confirm” the Lord’s word- Mark 16:20

Daily “Bible Talks” at Tyrannus Hall : Acts 19:9



- Ruins of the Tyrannus hall in the right.
- Need for regular bible talks at specific venues
- Powerful avenues of evangelism

Paul could have spent 3,120 hours in “Bible Talks” at

- Ephesians worked until 11:00 am then went for a long siesta
- Tyrannus could have been using his hall lecturing until then, while Paul was busy making tents
- From 11:00 Tyrannus hall was available for BTs until 4:00 pm
- $5 \text{ hours} * 6 \text{ days} * 52 \text{ weeks} * 2 \text{ years} = 3,120 \text{ hours}$
- Result: “All the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord” vs 10

In contrast to Pauls' style, today's conversions may be

- too ecclesiastical (Church-based,
- too emotional (not intellectual)
- too superficial



Pergamum

Thyatira

Smyrna

Sardis

Philadelphia

Ephesus

Laodicea

Patmos

PROVINCE OF ASIA

THE BACK PEW - Jeff LARSON

Ok.. Jesus I know..
Paul.. I know.. but
who the -BLEEP-
are
you?

n-n-
nobody..
we were
just
leaving.



SPORTS UPDATE - Man with evil spirit..
KICKS BUTT on the seven sons of Scena
leaving all seven battered and **NAKED!!**
Acts 19:13-16

Acts 19:13-16

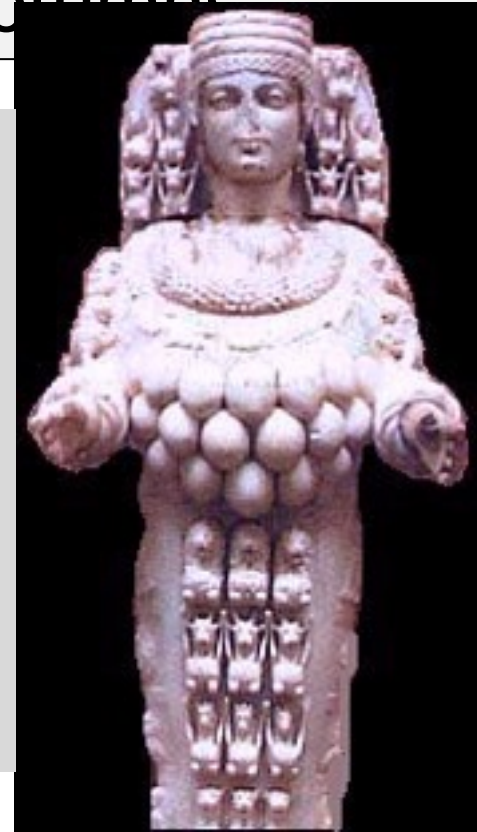
Illegitimate Authority

- Thought they could use titles to get it done without having the requisite relationship with Christ...Ride on Paul's faith
- The demon calls their bluff.
- He knows his enemy, and these foolish workers of

The Temple of Artemis in Ephesus-one of the 7 Great Ancient Wonders of the World: 423 ft*220 ft 127 marble columns



Acts 19: 23-
Silversmith called Demetrius accused Paul of discrediting Artemis, causing a tumult.



I have set eyes on the wall of lofty [Babylon](#) on which is a road for chariots, and the [statue of Zeus by the Alpheus](#), and the [hanging gardens](#), and the [colossus of the Sun](#), and the huge labour of the [high pyramids](#), and the vast [tomb of Mausolus](#); but when I saw the [house of Artemis](#) that mounted to the clouds, those other marvels lost their brilliancy, and I said, "Lo, apart from Olympus, the Sun never looked on aught so grand".

Where in the Ancient World Are the Seven Wonders?



**Apostle Paul's
Third Missionary Journey
53 - 58 A.D.**



Acts 20: 1-5, 7
Troas

1st Day of the
week-breaking
bread

Eutychus raised
from the dead
Miletus

vs 17-27, 35
Farewell

- Only words of Jesus not in the gospels

Acts 21: 1-On to Jerusalem

- Vs 8 Philip the Evangelist
- 21: 27 Arrested and never released

Was Paul teaching against the Jews?

- 21:38 “Egyptian terrorist”(sicarii-latin ‘dagger men’)
 - Led insurrection of 3,000 during the reign of Nero and the procuratorship of Felix in Judea-*Josephus*
 - Hundreds killed at Mt Olives but leader escaped
- Paul Speaks Greek to show he is not a Hebrew Zealot.

Acts 21: 1-On to Jerusalem



Jesus

Paul

Both travelled to Jerusalem with a group of disciples

Both were opposed by hostile Jews who plotted against their lives

Both made three successive predictions of their suffering in Jerusalem including being handed over to gentiles

Both declared their readiness to lay down their lives for the gospel

Both were determined to complete the work of the gospel

Both abandoned themselves to the will of God



HUDUMA NUMBER is NOT 666

Rev 13:1, 16-18

- Two eras of persecutions for Christians: Emperor Nero (54-68AD) and Domitian(81-89 AD)
- 1st “Beast” coming out of the sea - Anti-Christian political power
- Blasphemous name: eg Emperor Domitian (2nd Beast) was addressed as ’’*Dominus et Deus Noster* (Our Lord and God)



The Beast

- The cruelty and executions during his reign of terror were so odious that Domitian earned the nickname “the Beast” amongst Romans, Greeks, Christians and Jews, according to Ethelbert Stauffer.



Domitian's coins, which “would be held in the right hand for transactions” and which “were sometimes also worn in a band on the forehead.”

The numerology of the Hebrew language and alphabet, could be used to explain the Biblical number 666-practice called ‘gematria.

- It's the “number of a man”

The Jews were already sensitive enough to the blasphemous and idolatrous depictions of emperors on Roman coins that these coins were not allowed in the Jerusalem temple. That's why there were money-changers there.

- Many scholars have recognized, the consonants of “Neron Caesar” in Hebrew add up to 666.
- Domitian thinks he’s “lord and God” (as he proclaims on his [coins](#)), but he’s really just another evil emperor.



Nero Caesar

נ	=	50
ך	=	200
ו	=	6
נ	=	50
ק	=	100
ד	=	60
ך	=	<u>200</u>
		666

Stauffer computed this “Number of the Beast” using the short form of Domitian’s names and titles: Imperator Caesar Domitianus Augustus Germanicus...

‘Α ΚΑΙ ΔΟΜΕΤ ΣΕΒ ΓΕ and the gematrical formula reads.
 $1 + 20 + 1 + 10 + 4 + 70 + 40 + 5 + 300 + 200 + 5 + 2 + 3 + 5 = 666$