

The Book of Acts in 3 Minutes.

Pentecost is a Jewish celebration of the giving of the Law from Mt. Sinai. It is celebrated 50 days after the Passover. **Jesus was crucified on Passover day, and He died at the exact time of the day that the Passover lamb was to be killed.** The specific Pentecost shown on this timeline came the normal 50 days after Passover (50 days after the death of Jesus), but just 10 days after Jesus ascended into Heaven.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. 3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Healing of the Cripple Man

Acts 3:1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, [being] the ninth [hour]. 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

Peter speaks before Annas (high priest) and Caiaphas

4:18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. 4:23 And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

Ananias and Sapphira

5:1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, 5:2 And kept back [part] of the price, his wife also being privy [to it], and brought a certain part, and laid [it], at the apostles' feet. 5:11 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

Freed from Prison

5:17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation, 5:18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison. 5:19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said, 5:20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

Seven Deacons Chosen

Acts 6:1 And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. 6:5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:

First Christian Martyr

Acts 6:8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. 7:59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon [God], and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. 7:60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Conversion of Paul - Chapter 8:1 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

Eunich of Ethiopia

8:26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

8:27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

8:40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

Dorcus:

9:36 Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and alms deeds which she did.

9:40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning [him] to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up. 9:42 And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord

Cornelius:

9:43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.

10:1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian [band], 10:2 [A] devout [man], and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.

10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

Damascus (Saul becomes known as Paul)

Acts 9:1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

Escape in a Basket

Acts 9:22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

James & Peter Jailed, Peter freed by Angel

12:2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

12:3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)

Barnabas

11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

11:22 Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.

Stoned at Lystra

Acts 14:6 They were ware of [it], and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

14:12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

14:14 [Which] when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard [of], they rent their clothes, and ran in

among the people, crying out,

14:16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.

14:19 And there came thither [certain] Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew [him] out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

14:20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

Both Silas and Timothy (Timotheus)

Acts 15:22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; [namely], Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

15:37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.

15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

15:40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.

Paul is Freed by an Earthquake 50-53AD

Acts 16:9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.

16:22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat [them].

16:23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast [them] into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

16:40 And they went out of the prison, and entered into [the house of] Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

Escape from Thessalonica

Acts 17:1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

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17:15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.

Aquila and Priscilla

Acts 18:1 After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

18:2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.

18:21 But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

Letters to the Thessalonians 45-50AD

During the time Paul was in Corinth he wrote letters to encourage the converts in Thessalonica.

On the Way to Jerusalem

Acts 18:18 And Paul [after this] tarried [there] yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn [his] head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.

18:28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, [and that] publicly, showing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.

Paul's Letters to the Corinthians 45-53AD

Paul's Letter to the Romans 45-53AD

Paul's Letter to the Galatians 53-57AD

A Young Man Falls

20:9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

20:12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

Paul Arrested in Caesarea

Acts 21:8 And the next [day] we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was [one] of the seven; and abode with him.

22:25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?

22:29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

Felix, Festus & King Agrippa II

Acts 22:30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him from [his] bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

26:32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Caesar.

Shipwrecked

Acts 27:1 And when it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other 28:4 And when the barbarians saw the [venomous] beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.

28:7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

28:8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.

28:9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:

28:10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded [us] with such things as were necessary.

28:11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

In Rome & Paul's Letter to Philemon 50-55AD

Acts 28:16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.

28:30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,
28:31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

The Lost Chapter of Acts 29

Also known as the **Sonnini Manuscript**, is a short text purporting to be the translation of a manuscript containing the 29th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, detailing St. Paul's journey to Britain, where he preached to a tribe of Israelites on Ludgate Hill, the site of St Paul's Cathedral. (The canonical book of Acts ends rather abruptly with Paul kept under house arrest in chapter 28, which has led to various theories about the history of the text.)

The text was found interleaved in a copy of the French naturalist Sonnini de Manoncourt Voyage en Grèce et en Turquie and purchased at the sale of the library and effects of Sir John Newport, Bart., MP (1756–1843) in Ireland, whose family arms were engraved on the cover of the book, and in whose possession it had been for more than thirty years.

The Sultan of Turkey granted Sonnini permission to travel in all parts of the Ottoman dominions and he supposedly discovered the text from a "Greek manuscript discovered in the archives at Constantinople and presented to him by the Sultan Abdoul Achmet.

The text made its first appearance in London in 1871 and was printed as a six page pamphlet by Geo. J. Stevenson entitled: The long lost chapter of the Acts of the Apostles: containing an account of the Apostle Paul's journey into Spain and Britain, and other interesting events.

Stevenson listed the following reasons in favour of the text's genuineness:

- It has all the appearance of being of ancient date.
- It is written in Greek, and in the style of the Acts.
- The places and peoples mentioned are called by their ancient or Roman names.
- Its tone is dignified and spiritual.
- Its scriptural brevity.
- The remarkable character of its prophetic expressions.
- Its being preserved in the Archives of Constantinople.
- Its pure gospel character and generous conception of the Divine purpose and plan.

However no trace of the original (Greek) manuscript has been found, and from internal evidence, mainstream philology considers it to most likely be a fraud, thus it is classed among the modern pseudepigrapha (falsely attributed works, texts whose claimed authorship).

As of 2005, it is available in a 1982 edition by E. Raymond Capt (ISBN 0-934666-09-1) from Artisan Publishers, Muskogee, which is a publisher specializing in evangelical fringe subjects. More recently the British-Israel-World Federation have printed the text in PDF, with added notes.