

Chronological Table

As with all ancient history, most dates are approximations. At several points these rely on particular arguments reflected in the text. Main journeys are in bold text; letters are in capitals.

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| ?4 BC | Birth of Jesus of Nazareth |
| ?AD 5–10 | Birth of Saul of Tarsus |
| 30 | Crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth |
| ?33 | Revelation of Jesus to Saul on the road to Damascus |
| 33–36 | Paul in Damascus, Arabia, Damascus again |
| 36 | Paul's first post-Damascus visit to Jerusalem (Gal. 1:18–24) |
| 36–46 | Paul in Tarsus; brought to Antioch by Barnabas |
| 40 | Caligula's plans to erect his statue in Jerusalem |
| 41 | Assassination of Caligula; accession of Claudius |
| 46/47 | "Famine visit" to Jerusalem (Acts 11:30; Gal. 2:1–10) |
| 47–48 | Paul and Barnabas on first missionary journey: Cyprus and South Galatia |
| 48 | Peter in Antioch (Gal. 2:11–21); Crisis in Galatia |
| 48 | GALATIANS |
| 48/49 | Jerusalem Conference (Acts 15) |
| ?49 | Claudius's expulsion of Jews from Rome |
| 49 | Paul and Silas on second missionary journey: Greece |
| 50/51 | 1 and 2 THESSALONIANS |
| 51 (early)–52 (late) | Paul in Corinth |
| 52/53 | Paul in Jerusalem, Antioch; third missionary journey: Ephesus |
| 53–56 | Paul in Ephesus |
| ?53 | 1 CORINTHIANS |
| 53/54 | Short, painful visit to Corinth |
| 54 | Death of Claudius; accession of Nero |
| ?55–56 | Imprisonment in Ephesus |
| ?55 | PHILIPPIANS |
| ?55/56 | PHILEMON, COLOSSIANS, EPHESIANS |
| 56 | Release from prison; travel from Ephesus to Corinth |

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| 56 | 2 CORINTHIANS |
| 57 | ROMANS |
| 57 | Travel from Corinth to Jerusalem |
| 57–59 | “Hearings” and imprisonment in Jerusalem and Caesarea |
| 59, autumn | Voyage to Rome; shipwreck on Malta |
| 60, early | Arrival in Rome |
| 60–62 | House arrest in Rome |
| ?62–64 | Further travels, either to Spain or to the East, or both? |
| ?after 62 | 1 and 2 TIMOTHY, TITUS? |
| 64 | Fire in Rome; persecution of Christians |
| ?64 or later | Death of Paul |
| 66–70 | Roman-Jewish war 68 Death of Nero 70 Fall of Jerusalem ¹ |

¹ N. T. Wright, *Paul: A Biography* (San Francisco: HarperOne, 2018), 433.