

Unpacking the Book

Lesson #26: Life of Paul (c)

I. Introduction

- A. Acts 18:22 Paul finishes his second journey
 - B. Acts 18:23 Paul begins his third journey
- Purpose: to strengthen the disciples

II. The Church at Ephesus (18:23-19:41)

- A. Spent 2 ½ years ministering there
- B. Note his farewell: 20:17-38

III. His trip to and time in Jerusalem (21:1 – 23:33)

- A. Received by the Church
- B. His defenses

IV. His time in Caesarea (24-29)

- A. Defense before Felix
- B. Two years of imprisonment
- C. Appeal to Caesar
- D. Defense before King Agrippa

V. His fourth journey: voyage to and time in Rome (27:24-28:31)

- A. Wrote epistles from Rome (Eph. 3:1, 4:1, 6:20, Col. 4:18, Phil. 1:13, Philemon 10)
- B. His last words: 2 Tim 4:6-8

VI. Potential 5th journey

- A. Many scholars believe that Paul was held in Rome from 61-63 AD
- B. 65-66 AD 5th Missionary Journey: If Paul didn't go to Spain, he left Nicopolis in the spring and made a second pass through Miletus, Troas and Corinth then arrested and taken to Rome.

1. He must have taken a second pass through Miletus because he wrote 1 Timothy after his first pass through, but it was in 2 Timothy that Paul told Timothy about Trophemus.
 2. A single pass would require Paul to leave Trophemus sick at Miletus, write 1 Timothy, get arrested, then from Rome tell Timothy about Trophemus in 2 Timothy 4:20.
 3. This virtually proves that Paul must have taken a second pass through, hence a 5th missionary journey!
- C. 66 AD Paul arrested sometime after being in Corinth and taken to Rome and writes 2 Timothy.
- D. 67 AD Paul martyred soon after

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VII. Paul's fellow worker

Timothy	Acts 16:1, 17:14, 18:5
Tychius	Acts 20:4, Eph. 6:21, Col. 4:7, Titus 3:12, 4:12
Luke	Acts 20:5, Col. 4:14, Philemon 24, 2 Tim. 4:11
Demas	Col. 4:14, Philemon 24, 2 Tim. 4:10
Epaphras	Col. 1:6, Col. 4:12, Philemon 28
Aristarchus	Acts 27:2, 19:29, Col. 4:10, Philemon 24
John Mark	Acts 15:38-41, Col. 4:10, Philemon 24, 2 Tim. 4:11

VIII. So what?

Paul really understood the implications of Romans 8:28 for himself. We need to have the same perspective.