

The Book of Acts – A Dispensational View

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| <p>The Lord is Allowing Israel a Second Chance for National Repentance</p> | <p>The Kingdom Gospel of John and Jesus Continues Acts 2:38 & Sign Gifts are Given for the Jews 1Co 1:22</p> | <p>Chapter 1 Promise of the Holy Ghost</p> | <p>Ac 1:5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. The Holy Ghost (comforter) was a foreign concept to the disciples. Therefore, it would come with the sign of tongues.</p> |
| | | <p>Chapter 2 The Holy Ghost Fell on Apostles and validated by tongues Holy Ghost by Baptism</p> | <p>Sign of Tongues: 1Co 1:22 For the Jews require a sign... 1Co 14:21-22 In the law it is written, With <i>men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people</i>; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord. 22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign... Pentecost: Ac 2:4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Kingdom Gospel: Ac 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.</p> |
| | | <p>Chapter 4 The early church was not the same as today</p> | <p>The Apostles Doctrine: Ac 2:41-47 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added <i>unto them</i> about three thousand souls. 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers... Communal Living: Ac 4:32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any <i>of them</i> that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.</p> |
| | | <p>Chapter 7 The Kingdom could have come</p> | <p>Jesus was Ready to Return: Ac 7:56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Not sitting as in Ac 2:34, Heb. 8:1, 10:12 indicating he would have returned. James 5:8-9 and Rev. 3:20 speak of him standing before his return. Rev. 19:11 speaks of Heaven being opened before his return. The Stoning of Stephen Postponed the Kingdom: Ac 7:58 And cast <i>him</i> out of the city, and stoned him...</p> |
| <p>The Gospel is shifting to the Gentile world. Acts 10:34-35 11:1,17</p> | <p>The Gospel of the Grace of God is the main message Water baptism is now after salvation Apostolic signs continue</p> | <p>Chapter 8 The Holy Ghost was given by the laying on of hands</p> | <p>Samaritans (half-Jews) Getting Saved: Ac 8:14-17 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John... 17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost was held back until they were confirmed by the Jews. Jn.4:22 An Ethiopian Gets Saved: Ac 8:36-38 And as they went on <i>their way</i>, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, <i>See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?</i> This is the first record of a Gentile getting saved just as we do today</p> |
| | | <p>Chapter 9 Saul is saved and becomes the Apostle Paul</p> | <p>Ac 9:6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord <i>said</i> unto him, <i>Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do</i>. Paul's conversion experience was not like ours because the Lord had specially chosen him as an apostle, 9:15.</p> |
| | | <p>Chapter 10 The Holy Ghost Fell on the Gentiles</p> | <p>Cornelius Gets Saved: Ac 10:44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. These gentiles spoke with tongues for the benefit of Peter and his men. In this case, the sign was to confirm that God is no respecter of persons with regard to salvation by grace through faith. And Baptized: Ac 10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.</p> |

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| | | Chapter 10 <i>continued</i> | They were baptized " <i>in the name of the Lord</i> " which agrees with Matt. 28:19. All the new bibles say Jesus instead of Lord negating the dispensational difference of Acts 2:38 – " <i>in the name of Jesus</i> " |
| Paul's Missionary Journeys Begin | | Chapter 13 First Jewish rejection of Paul | Ac 13:46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. |
| The Church (body of Christ) is the focus Acts 15:41, 16:5 | Paul becomes the main spokesman Rom.11:13 Paul's Gospel is preached Rom.2:16, 16:25 | Chapter 15 The Apostles agree on the gospel for today | Jew and Gentile saved the same: Ac 15:8-11 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us; 11... But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they. |
| | | Chapter 16 Two more Gentiles get saved | Lydia: Ac 16:14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard <i>us</i> : whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul. Philippian Jailer: Ac 16:30-31 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? 31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house. |
| 1&2 Thess. 49-54AD | The Mysteries are revealed directly to Paul by Jesus himself Gal.1:15-24, 1Cor.4:1 | Chapter 18 Second Jewish rejection of Paul | Ac 18:6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook <i>his</i> raiment, and said unto them, Your blood <i>be</i> upon your own heads; I <i>am</i> clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles. |
| Galatians 57-60AD | | Chapter 19 Holy Ghost given by the laying on of hands (Last recorded incident) | John's Converts: Ac 19:3-6 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. 4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him , that is, on Christ Jesus. 5 When they heard <i>this</i> , they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. Why was this necessary. First, it was no longer automatic through baptism. Second, to confirm Paul's authority to these Jewish believers. |
| 1&2 Cor. 57-60AD | | Chapter 24 Paul is imprisoned | Ac 24:23, 27 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul , and to let <i>him</i> have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him. 27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound. Paul would spend the rest of his ministry as "an ambassador in bonds" (Eph.6:20) and begin writing his prison epistles. |
| Romans 58-60AD | | Chapter 28 Paul's final miracle | Island of Melita: Ac 28:8-9 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. 9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed: Third Strike: Ac 28:28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and <i>that</i> they will hear it. The Jews refused their Messiah, they refused the preaching of Stephen, and they refused the preaching of Paul. The gospel has now gone primarily to the Gentile nations for the last 2,000 years. Apostolic signs are no longer necessary. |
| Ephesians 62AD | | The third and final Jewish rejection of Paul | |
| Philippians 62-64AD | | | |
| Colossians 64AD | | | |
| Philemon 64AD | | | |
| Titus 65AD | | Signs Have Ceased | |
| 1 Timothy 65-66AD | | 1 Tim.5:23 | |
| 2 Timothy 66-68AD | 2 Tim.4:20 | | |