

# When Were Paul's Epistles Written?

*A timeline of Paul's epistles, missionary journeys and visits to Jerusalem.*

36AD	Conversion on the road to Damascus (Acts 9.1-9)
37-39AD	Visit to Arabia, then 3 years in Damascus (Gal 1.15-17)
39AD	Escape from Damascus: <b>first visit to Jerusalem</b> (Acts 9.23-26)
39-43AD	In Tarsus and the regions of Syria and Cilicia for 4 to 5 years
44AD	A year in Antioch with Barnabus (Acts 11.26)
45AD	<b>Second visit to Jerusalem</b> bearing financial help (Acts 11.30)
45-47AD	<i>First missionary journey</i> , lasting 2 years (Acts 12.24-14.28)
48-49AD	Stayed "a long time" – 2 years – in Antioch (Acts 14.28)
50AD	<b>Third visit to Jerusalem</b> for the council (Acts 15.1-35)
51-54AD	<i>Second missionary journey</i> , lasting 3 years (Acts 15.36-18.22)

1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians written at Corinth, 52AD

2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians written at Corinth, 53AD

54AD **Fourth visit to Jerusalem** at end of 2<sup>nd</sup> journey (Acts 18.22)

54-58AD *Third missionary journey*, lasting 4 years (Acts 18.23-21.26)

1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians written at Ephesus, in the Spring of 57AD

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians written in Macedonia, Autumn of 57AD

Galatians written at Corinth, in the Winter of 57AD

Romans written at Corinth, in the Spring of 58AD

58AD **Fifth visit to Jerusalem** and arrest in the Temple (Acts 21.17-27)

59-60AD Imprisonment at Caesarea for 2 years (Acts 24.23-27)

60-61AD *Journey to Rome*, Autumn through to Spring (Acts 27.1-28.16)

61-63AD First Roman captivity for 2 years (Acts 28.30)

Philemon written 61 or 62AD in prison

Colossians written 61 or 62AD in prison

Ephesians written 61 or 62AD in prison

Philippians written 63AD in prison

63-67AD Between the first and second Roman captivities, 4-5 years

1<sup>st</sup> Timothy written in Macedonia 67AD

Titus written at Ephesus 67AD

68AD Second Roman captivity

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy written at Rome 68AD in prison

68AD Paul's death (2 Tim 4.6-7)