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Unit 7: Jesus and the Apostles

There are three groups that are a part of Jesus' Ministry:

1. **Crowds** (Mk 5:31):

2. **Disciples:**

Who qualified as a Disciple of Jesus?

a. Response to Jesus' Call (Mk: 1:16-20):

b. Physically Leaving One's Home (Lk 9:59-62):

c. Risking Danger and Hostility:

Saving or Losing One's Life (Mt 10:39):

Denying One Self and Taking up the Cross (Mk 8:34-38):

Facing Hostility from One's Family (Lk 18:29-30; 14:26):

3. **Apostles** (Mk 3:16-19):

Simon Peter	James
John	Andrew
Philip	Bartholomew
Matthew	Thomas
James	Thaddeus/Jude of James
Simon the Zealot	Judas Iscariot/Matthias

4. What did the Twelve Apostles symbolize?

- a.
- b.
- c.

5. What is so special about Peter?

- a. Spokesperson (Mk 3:16-19; Acts 2:14):
- b. Name (Mt 16:18):
- c. Profession of Faith (Mk 8:27-29):
- d. Keys/Shepherd (Mt 16:19; Jn 21:15-17):
- e. Prayer for Strength (Lk 22:31-32; 24:34):

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Unit 7: Jesus and the Apostle Paul

1. What came first, the Gospels or epistles? What is an epistle?

2. What's the difference between the Gospels and Epistles of Paul?

a.

b.

3. The letters in Paul's day were formal and structured and followed a certain pattern.

1. Letter Beginning	2. Letter Body	3. Letter Conclusion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sender(s): From whom</li><li>• Recipient(s): To whom</li><li>• Formulaic Greeting</li><li>• Thanksgiving (or Blessing)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Initial Exhortation</li><li>• Thesis Statement</li><li>• Theological Discussion</li><li>• Ethical Admonition</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Practical Matters</li><li>• Individual Greetings</li><li>• Personal Postscript</li><li>• Doxology or Prayer</li></ul>

4. Paul himself is second only to Jesus himself as the central figure in the New Testament. There are thirteen letters *attributed* to Paul, which were written between 50-100 c.e.

Authentic

First Letter to the Thessalonians

Letter to the Galatians

Letter to the Philippians

Letter to Philemon

**First Letter to the Corinthians**

**Second Letter to the Corinthians**

**Letter to the Romans**

Questionable

2nd Letter to Thessalonians

Letter to the Colossians

Letter to the Ephesians

Letter to Titus

1st and 2nd Letter to Timothy

5. The Book of Acts describes three main journeys that Paul undertook in spreading the Gospel message.

a. First Journey (46-49 c.e.): dealt with question whether gentiles should be circumcised before becoming Christian (refuted gentiles did not have to become Jews in order to be accepted into Christianity).

b. Second Journey (50-52 c.e.): While traveling, Paul wrote his FIRST letter, the first letter to the Thessalonians (oldest letter in the Christian testament, written some twenty years before the gospel of Mark).

c. Third Journey (54-58 c.e.): During this journey Paul wrote his greatest writings: 1 and 2nd Corinthians and the Letter to the Romans. Romans in particular reflects Paul's lengthy missionary experience, his maturity as an apostle, and his insight full understanding of the Christian Faith.

6. Paul eventually ended his journeys in Rome, where he was kept under house arrest for two years and probably beheaded between 64-67 CE.



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1. The purpose of this part will be to identify and briefly explain Paul's ideas on sin, grace, and salvation.

2. What is sin?

3. What was the Jewish answer to sin? (Phil 3:4-11)

4. How did these laws/commandments come about?

5. Paul's views on the law changed in two ways:

a. The Law as Guide:

b. What the Law Lacks (Romans 13:8-10):

6. What does salvation mean, especially for Paul? 7. What are we being "saved from" in

contemporary society?

a.

b.

c.

d.

8. What is grace?

9. What is Love?

10. What are the different types of love?

a.

b.

c.

11. Why do we love?