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PAUL

THE APOSTLE

(PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS "SAUL")

MAJOR THEOLOGICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH ALONE
Romans 3:28; 5:1

CHRISTIANS AS THE BODY OF CHRIST
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

THE ROLE OF GRACE IN SALVATION
Ephesians 2:8-9

TIMELINE

PHARISEE IN TRAINING
Philippians 3:5

BORN IN TARSUS
Acts 22:3

CONVERTED ON THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS
Acts 9:3-6

PERSECUTED THE EARLY CHURCH
Acts 8:1-3; 9:1-2

PREACHED IN THE SYNAGOGUES
Acts 9:20-22

RECOVERY OF SIGHT & BAPTISM
Acts 9:17-18

IMPRISONED IN ROME (HOUSE ARREST FOR 2 YEARS)
Acts 28:16-31

MISSIONARY JOURNEYS
Acts 13-14
Acts 15:36-21:17

MARTYRDOM
2 Timothy 4:6-8 (implied)

ALL BOOKS AUTHORED BY PAUL

- Romans
- 1 & 2 Corinthians
- Galatians
- Ephesians
- Philippians
- Colossians
- 1 & 2 Thessalonians
- 1 & 2 Timothy
- Titus
- Philemon
- Hebrews

PRISON EPISTLES

- Ephesians
- Philippians
- Colossians
- Philemon

PAUL'S WRITINGS PROVIDE US WITH:

PROFOUND THEOLOGICAL CONCEPTS

PASTORAL GUIDANCE

REFLECTIONS ON SUFFERING & SALVATION

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE APOSTLE PAUL'S LIFE

- Educated as a Jew and a Roman citizen
- Was a fervent opponent of early Christians
- Life-changing encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus
- Saul became Paul and changed the course of his mission
- His missionary journeys were pivotal in taking Christ's message to the Jews & Gentiles
- Was part preacher, part traveler, part writer
- Made substantial contributions to the New Testament
- The book of Hebrews is historically associated with Paul
- Went from being a fierce opponent of Christianity to one of its most passionate advocates

PAUL'S THREE MISSIONARY JOURNEYS

1



2



3



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THE AFFLICTIONS OF PAUL

2 Corinthians 11:23-28

- Whipped with 39 lashes (5 separate times)
- Beaten with rods three separate times
- Stoned
- Shipwrecked three times
- Adrift at sea for one night and one day
- Many journeys
- Dangers from:
  - Rivers
  - Robbers
  - His own people
  - Gentiles
  - Visiting cities
  - The wilderness
  - Being at sea
  - False brothers
- Toil and hardship
- Many sleepless nights
- Often hungry and thirsty
- Cold and exposed
- Daily care and concern for all the churches

PAUL'S 1ST MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Acts 13-14

- Traveled with Barnabas to Cyprus and Asia Minor
- Paul stoned in Lystra (Acts 14:19)

PAUL'S 2ND MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Acts 15:36-18:22

- Set out from Antioch with Silas
- Revisited areas from first journey and broke new ground
- Had a vision calling him to Macedonia (Acts 16:9)
- Imprisoned with Silas in Philippi (Acts 16:16-40)
- Intellectual engagement in Athens with Greek philosophers (Acts 17:22-31)

PAUL'S 3RD MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Acts 18:23-21:17

- Once again, set out from Antioch with Silas
- Stayed longer in Ephesus, where Paul performed extraordinary miracles (Acts 19:11-12)
- Experienced a riot of silversmiths whose livelihoods were threatened by Paul's teachings (Acts 19:23-41)

LESSONS FROM PAUL'S LIFE

THE POWER OF FAITH & THE POTENTIAL FOR TRANSFORMATION

PERSEVERANCE THROUGH HARDSHIPS

UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO HIS MISSION

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