

Some Wrap Up Points from Acts 10 - 11:18

- Same plan of salvation repeated
- Power of necessary conclusion
- Purpose of the Holy Spirit falling upon the Gentiles
- What does it mean to "receive the word of God"? (Acts 11:1)
- What is "repentance to life"? (Acts 11:18)



Dating of Events in Acts

- Secular History
 - AD 51-52: Gallio proconsul in Achaia (limestone inscription found 1909 near Delphi, Greece)
 - Acts 18:12 Paul's second journey
 - AD 44: Herod's death, per Josephus
 - Acts 12:23 (possibly Spring? v.4)
 - AD 60: Festus begins as procurator in Judea
 - Acts 24:27 Paul in prison in Caesarea
 - AD 34-37: Aretas Arabian king, Damascus
 - Acts 9:22-25 (c.f. 2 Corinthians 11:32)
- Time markers in Acts (so far)
 - Paul went to Jerusalem for first time 3 years after his conversion
 - Gal 1:18 Acts 9:26
 - Paul went to Jerusalem after 14 years (after the 3 years, or after his conversion?)
 - Gal 2:1 Acts 15
 - Paul and Barnabas spent 1 year in Antioch
 - Acts 11:26

Dating Events in Acts: Working Backwards

Year	Event	Based on
51/52	Gallio proconsul in Corinth	Per secular history
51-53	Paul in Corinth, 2 nd journey, 1 ½ years	Acts 18:11
50	Meeting in Jerusalem in Acts 15	Conjecture, but occurred just before 2 nd journey
45	Relief sent to saints in Judea	Acts 11:27-30; conjecture that famine occurred after Herod's death, due to 12:20
44	Herod's death	Per Josephus
43-44	Paul & Barnabas spend 1 year in Antioch	Acts 11:26
39	Saul's first trip to Jerusalem	Acts 9:27; Gal 1:18; based on 1) if "after 14 years" in Gal 2:1 is after his conversion, and Jerusalem meeting was in 50 AD (constrained by date of Gallio's rule in Corinth), then his conversion was in 36 AD, and 2) Saul went to Jerusalem 3 years after his conversion
37	Saul's time in Damascus between the time of his conversion and his first trip to Jerusalem	Aretas, king in Damascus in the timeframe of 37 AD (ISBE) Acts 9:22-25; 2 Corinthians 11:32
36	Saul's conversion	Acts 9

Note Luke's Narration

- ▶ Acts 8:1–3...9:1
- Acts 8:4...11:19
- Acts 11:27-30...12:25
- This sequence could be possible:
 - Acts 8:4 Christians scattered everywhere preaching the word
 - Acts 9:1–11:19
 - Acts 8:5–40; Acts 11:20ff