

SURVEY OF THE BIBLE
LESSON VI
HISTORICAL BOOKS-NEW TESTAMENT

I. Introduction

A. Looked at O.T.

1. Law
2. History
3. Poetry
4. Prophecy

B. New Testament

1. Gospels
2. Acts
3. Epistles
4. Prophecy

C. This Lesson-Acts

II. Matthew

A. Author

1. Tax collector, publican
2. From Capernaum
3. Wealthy Luke 5:29
4. Tradition says died in Ethiopia

B. Purpose

1. Written for Jews primarily
2. Prove Jesus is Messiah of O.T.

C. Date

1. 48-54 A.D.
2. 65-69 A.D.

D. Outline

1. Preparation for ministry 1:1-4:11
a. birth, wise men, Egypt, Nazareth, John the Baptist, baptism, temptation
2. Galilean ministry 4:12-13:58
a. sermon on mount, centurion servant, calmed sea, demons and swine, raised dead, blind men healed, twelve sent, parables
3. With twelve 14:1-18:35
a. death of John the Baptist, feeds 5,000, walking on water, great confession, transfiguration, little children, forgiveness
4. Perea ministry 19:1-20:34
a. discourse on marriage, rich young ruler, request by James
5. Ministry in Jerusalem 21:1-25:46
a. entry, cleansed temple, Pharisees and Sadducees, Jerusalem destroyed, judgement
6. Death, resurrection, appearances 26:1-28:20
a. Judas, last supper, Gethsemane, Caiaphas, Pilate, crucifixion, resurrection, last words

E. Key Verses

1. Matthew 1:21
2. Matthew 16:13-21
3. Matthew 17:5
4. Matthew 27:35; 28:6
5. Matthew 28:18-20

III. Mark

A. Author

1. Son of Mary Acts 12:12
2. First journey with Paul
 - a. Acts 13:5,13
 - b. Acts 15:36-40
3. Colossians 4:10; II Timothy 4:11
4. I Peter 5:13
5. Some believe that man of Mark 14:51,52 was Mark
6. Died in Egypt 65-67 A.D.

B. Purpose

1. Mark 1:1
2. Written to mostly Gentile readers
3. Gospel of deeds not words

C. Date 63-67 A.D.

D. Outline

1. Preparation for ministry 1:1-13
 - a. John the Baptist, baptism
2. Galilean ministry 1:14-6:29
 - a. call of apostles, fasting, Sabbath, parables, legion, Jairus daughter
3. With twelve 6:30-10:52
 - a. feeding 5,000, walking on water, feeding 4,000, transfiguration
4. Ministry in Jerusalem 11:1-16:8
 - a. entrance, parables, temple, last supper, Gethsemane, trial, death, resurrection
5. Epilogue 16:9-20
 - a. appearances, great commission, ascension

E. Key Verses

1. Mark 1:17
2. Mark 9:1
3. Mark 16:15,16

IV. Luke

A. Author

1. Mentioned in N.T. three times
 - a. Colossians 4:14
 - b. Philemon 24
 - c. II Timothy 4:11
2. Some believe brother of Titus II Corinthians 8:18
3. Probably native of Antioch of Syria

4. Companion of Paul

- a. tell by we passages in Acts
- b. joined Paul on 2nd journey Acts 16:10,11
- c. travelled to Phillipi where stayed Acts 17:1
- d. rejoined Paul on 3rd journey Acts 20:5
- e. journey to Rome 27:1

5. Left Rome, worked in Greece til death

B. Purpose Luke 1:1-4

C. Date

- 1. Written before Acts Acts 1:1
- 2. Acts in 61-63 A.D.
- 3. Probably written in Caesarea 58-60 A.D.

D. Outline

- 1. Birth and infancy of Jesus Luke 1-2
 - a. announcement to Zacharias, Mary, Mary visits Elisabeth, birth of John then Jesus, Simeon and Anna, trip to Jerusalem at 12
- 2. Preparation for Ministry 3:1-4:13
 - a. preaching of John, genealogy of Jesus, temptation of Jesus
- 3. Galilean ministry 4:14-9:50
 - a. Nazareth, heal sick, choose 12 apostles, centurion, touched garment, sent 12, feeding 5,000, transfiguration
- 4. Perea Ministry 9:51-19:28
 - a. mission of 70, good samaritan, parables, Zachaeus
- 5. Jerusalem ministry 19:29-23:56
 - a. entrance, cleanses temple, silence critics, plans kill Christ, last supper, Gethsemane, denial of Peter, Caiphas, Pilate, Herod, Pilate, crucified
- 6. Resurrection and Ascension 24
 - a. resurrection, Emmaus, appears to 11, commission, ascension

E. Key Verses

- 1. Luke 2:7
- 2. Luke 4:1-12
- 3. Luke 24:46-49

V. John

A. Author

- 1. Son of Zebedee and Salome, brother of James
- 2. Fishing partners with Simon and Andrew
- 3. First a disciple of John the Baptist
- 4. One of inner circle, disciple whom Jesus loved
- 5. Care of Jesus mother John 19:25-27
- 6. Moved to Ephesus 69 A.D.
- 7. Exiled to Patmos, returned to Ephesus
- 8. Died near 100 A.D. only apostle to die natural death
- 9. Wrote 5 books of N.T.

B. Purpose

1. Supplement other 3 gospels
2. Jesus is Son of God John 20:30,31

C. Date

1. Written from Ephesus moved there 69 A.D.
2. After destruction of Jerusalem no longer an issue
3. About 85-90 A.D.

D. Outline

1. Introduction 1:1-18
2. Revealed to Israel 1:19:12:50
 - a. John the Baptist, water into wine, cleanses temple, Nicodemus, Samaritan woman, healing on Sabbath day, feeds 5,000, walks on water, bread of life, goes to Jerusalem, woman in adultery, blind man healed, door, Lazarus, entrance into Jerusalem
3. Revealed to disciples 13:1-17:26
 - a. washing feet, last supper, mansions, vine and branches, H.S., prayer for unity
4. Death and Resurrection 18:1-20:31
 - a. betrayal, Malchus, Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, crucified, resurrection, appearances
5. Epilogue 21:1-25

E. Key Verses

1. John 1:1-3,14
2. John 3:16
3. John 4:24
4. John 7:46
5. John 10:27-29
6. John 18:36
7. John 21:25

VI. Acts

A. Author

1. Luke refer to Acts 1:1; Luke 1:3
2. Refer to Luke for bio

B. Date

1. Written near end of Roman imprisonment
2. 63 A.D.

C. Purpose

1. Acts 1:8
 - a. 1:8-8:4 Jerusalem and Judea
 - b. 8:5-12:25 Samaria and Palestine
 - c. 13-28 uttermost parts of earth
2. Answers question "what must i do to be saved?"
 - a. believe Acts 16:30
 - b. repent Acts 17:30,31
 - c. confess Acts 8:36,37
 - d. baptized Acts 22:16
3. Jews and Gentiles together
4. Approved of God

D. Outline

1. Establishment of church 1:1-2:47
 - a. ascension, Matthias, church began
2. Early history of church 3:1-12:25
 - a. lame man healed, Peter and John arrested, Ananias and Sapphira, apostles arrested and released by angel, choosing seven, Stephen, persecution, Samaria, eunuch, Saul converted, Dorcas, Cornelius, James martyred, Peter imprisoned,
3. Paul's 1st journey 13:1-14:28
 - a. Leave Antioch, Elymas, Mark returns, Antioch of Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe, Paul stoned, return, elders
4. Jerusalem 15:1-29
5. Paul's 2nd journey 15:30-18:22
 - a. Paul and Barnabas split, Timothy, Galatia, Troas, Phillippi, Lydia, jailed, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Antioch
6. Paul's 3rd journey 18:23-21:16
 - a. Apollos, Ephesus, Demetrius, Macedonia, Greece, Troas, Miletus, Caesarea, Jerusalem
7. Arrested and sent to Rome 21:17-28:31
 - a. talks to church, Nazarite vow, mob, saved by Romans, defends self, Sanhedrin, Caesarea, Felix, Festus, Agrippa, journey to Rome, shipwrecked, snake, Rome, own hired house

E. Key Verses

1. Acts 1:8
2. Acts 2:4;6-11
3. Acts 5:29
4. Acts 5:42
5. Acts 10:34,35
6. Acts 17:11
7. Acts 20:7
8. Acts 20:32