

# The Gospel in Action!

## Studies in the Acts of the Apostles

### Lesson 1

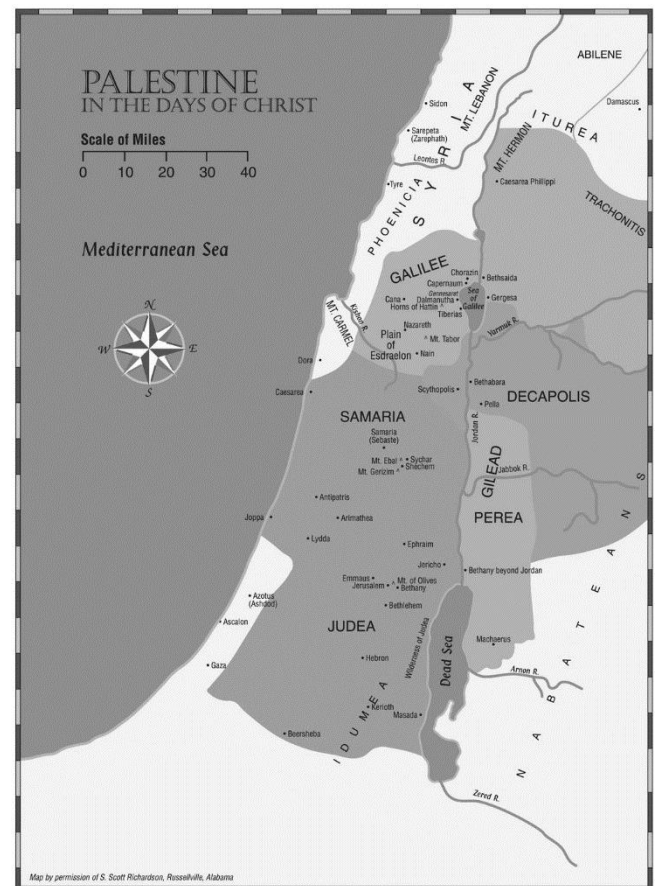
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#### Introduction:

- This is a continuation of Luke's writing: "The Gospel According to Luke".
- As the title suggests it is Luke's account of the actions of the Apostles in carrying out the work that Jesus gave them to do.
- Chapters 1-12 tell us of the work of Peter and others. Chapters 13-28 tell us of the work of Paul and his preaching companions (Luke was among them).
- As Luke gave an orderly account of the life of Jesus, he continues in the same manner with this writing.
- While these events take place shortly after Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection the date of the writing is thought to be in the early 60's A.D.

#### Chapter One

- Date of the events in this chapter: \_\_\_\_\_
- Where do these events take place?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Find and mark this location on the map.
- Who do we read about in this chapter?  
\_\_\_\_\_



## Opening Context – Acts 1:1-8

1. Acts is addressed to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. There is a brief review of the “former treatise”:
  - a. All Jesus began to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. He was \_\_\_\_\_ up.
    - i. He gave \_\_\_\_\_ to the Apostles.
    - ii. He presented Himself \_\_\_\_\_.
    - iii. Commanded the Apostles not to \_\_\_\_\_ from Jerusalem.
3. What were the Apostles waiting for? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What question do the Apostles ask Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Jesus describes their future work. They were to be \_\_\_\_\_ in many places and even to the end of the \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Ascension of Jesus – Acts 1:9-11

1. While the Apostles watched, Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ up and received by a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. THINK! Who were these two men in white apparel? \_\_\_\_\_
3. “Why do you stand gazing up into \_\_\_\_\_?”
4. What is revealed about Jesus’ return? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Return to Jerusalem – Acts 1:12-14

1. They returned from \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Where did they go in Jerusalem? \_\_\_\_\_
3. List the Apostles:

a. _____	g. _____
b. _____	h. _____
c. _____	i. _____
d. _____	j. _____
e. _____	k. _____
f. _____	
4. How many are listed? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who else was among them? \_\_\_\_\_

# Supplemental Material: Outline and Larger Map

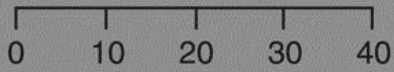
## Outline of Acts

(Adapted from Johnny Stringer's outline in Truth Commentary)

- I. Introduction: Summary of Luke's first treatise (1:1-2)
- II. The gospel in Jerusalem (1:3-7:60).
  - a. Events leading up to the first preaching of the gospel (1:3-26).
  - b. The gospel is preached and the church is established (2:1-47).
  - c. Healing of a lame man and its aftermath (3:1-4:31).
  - d. Godliness within the church (4:32-37).
  - e. Hypocrisy in the church (5:1-11).
  - f. Many miracles (5:12-16).
  - g. Apostles imprisoned and released (5:17-42).
  - h. Problem involving widows (6:1-6).
  - i. Disciples multiply (6:7).
  - j. Stephen — a martyr for Christ (6:8-7:60).
- III. The gospel spreads beyond Jerusalem (chapters 8-12).
  - a. The church is scattered because of persecution (8:1-4).
  - b. The work of Philip (8:5-40).
  - c. The conversion and early work of Saul (9:1-31).
  - d. The work of Peter (9:32-11:18).
  - e. The church at Antioch (11:19-30).
  - f. Herod's persecution in Jerusalem and the aftermath (12:1-24).
  - g. Paul and Barnabas return to Antioch (12:25).
- IV. Paul's journeys and labors (chapters 13-28).
  - a. First journey (13:1-14:26).
  - b. Activities following the first journey (14:27-15:35).
  - c. Second journey (15:36-18:22).
  - d. Third journey (18:23-21:17).
  - e. Imprisonment (21:18-28:31).

# PALESTINE IN THE DAYS OF CHRIST

Scale of Miles



Mediterranean Sea

