

A Survey of the New Testament

I. Introduction

II. The 400 Silent Years

A. The Political Preparations for the Gospel

- Stability of the Roman Empire (peace, road system, political stability)

B. The Religious Preparations for the Gospel

- Anticipation of the Messiah
- Development of the Sects of the Jews we see in the New testament (Pharisees, Saducees, Herodians, Essemes, Zealots)

III. The Manifestation of the Gospel: The Words and Works of Christ

A. The Early Life of Christ

1. Anticipated and Announced

- By Old Test Prophets
- By Angels
- By John the Baptist

2. Adolescence and Early Manhood

- Limited material

B. The Public Ministry of Christ

1. The Beginning of Christ's Public Ministry

- Baptism/Temptation/Cana for 1st Miracle/Events in Capernaum/Cleansing of the Temple/Nicodemus/Samaria/Galilee

2. The Great Galilean Ministry
 - Rejection at Nazareth/Settles in Capernaum/Call of the Disciples/Sermon on the Mount/Ministry in Galilee/Sending forth of the 12
3. The Special Training of the Twelve
 - Withdrawal and the feeding of the 5000/travels up to Tyre and Sidon
4. Later Judean Ministry
5. Later Perea Ministry
6. The Last Week of Jesus' Life: The Passion
7. The Risen Ministry

IV. The Proclamation of the Church

Acts 1:8 but you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

- A. The Gospel in "Jerusalem"
- B. The Gospel in "Judea and Samaria"
- C. The Gospel to the "uttermost parts of the world"

V. The Explanation and Application of the Gospel: The Letters of the New Test.

Ephesians 3::8 To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ, 9 and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God, who created all things; 10 in order that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly places. 11 This was in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,

- A. The 1st Missionary Journey
- B. The 2nd Missionary Journey
- C. The 3rd Journey
- D. The Later Apostolic Ministry

VI. The Final Consumation of the Gospel

Revelation 1:19 “Write therefore the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall take place after these things.”

- A. The “things which are” (Rev. 1)
- B. The “things which shall be” (Rev. 2-3)
- C. The “things which shall take place after these things” (Rev. 4-22)