



# NT SURVEY

1 Corinthians

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Colosseum

**“This is the epistle of  
the cross in its social  
application”**

**GG Finlay**

**“The struggles of  
transformation from  
paganism to godliness”**

**RM**

# 1 CORINTHIANS

➤ **Author - Paul**

# **AUTHORSHIP**

➤ **Internal Evidence**

# **INTERNAL**

- 1. Named - 1:1, 16:21**
- 2. Apostle - 1:1, 4:9, 9:1, 15:9**
- 3. Vision of Christ - 9:1, 15:8**
- 4. Example - 1:12, 3:4-5**
- 5. Corinth ministry - 2:1-5**
- 6. Foundation laid - 3:10**

# **AUTHORSHIP**

- **Internal Evidence**
- **External Evidence**

# **EXTERNAL**

- 1. Apostolic Fathers - Clement of Rome, Polycarp**
- 2. 2nd century - Irenaeus, Justin Martyr, Clement of Alexandria, Tertulian**
- 3. Other - Didache**
- 4. 2Pet 3:16**



# **AUTHORSHIP**

- **Internal Evidence**
- **External Evidence**
- **Evidence Against**

# 1 CORINTHIANS

- **Author - Paul**
- **Audience - Church at Corinth**

# AUDIENCE

❖ Geographical



2 Corinthians written from Macedonia

1 Corinthians written from Ephesus



An aerial photograph of Greece with several labels overlaid. The Ionian Sea is labeled in red in the upper left. Athens is labeled in red on the eastern coast with a red dot. Corinth is labeled in red on the western coast with a red dot. The text 'Largest city in Greece' is written in yellow in the central part of the map. The Aegean Sea is labeled in red in the lower right. The map shows the green and brown terrain of Greece and the blue of the surrounding seas.

**Ionian**

**Athens**

**Corinth**

**Largest city  
in Greece**

**Aegean**

**Lechaeum**



**3.5 mi**



• **Corinth**



**Acrocorinth**

**Cenchreae**



**Attempts by  
Alexander the Great,  
Julius Caesar  
& Nero**





**Corinth Canal  
to east  
(1881-1893)**



# Isthmus of Corinth





Palatia Ethniki Odos Athinon-Patron  
Nea Ethniki Odos Athinon-Patron

8A



**Acrocorinth**

Palatia Ethniki Odos Athinon-Tripoleos  
Palatia Ethniki Odos Athinon-Nemeas



**Corinth**

# AUDIENCE

❖ Geographical

❖ Historical

❖ Political

**Corinth  
inscription  
with  
Caesar,  
Trajan,  
Hadrian**



**Nero at  
Corinth  
60 AD**





**Bema - Act 18:12**







**“Erastus in return for his appointment  
as city Treasure laid (the pavement)  
at his own expense”**



Theater



Erastus  
Inscription

# AUDIENCE

❖ **Geographical**

❖ **Historical**

❖ **Political**

❖ **Commercial**

❖ **Cultural**



**Lechaion  
Road**

# Agora





**Lechaion Road**



**Fountain of Peirene  
public bath**

# Acrocorinth (elev. - 1886')





# Acrocorinth

**Temple to Aphrodite**





**Temple of Apollo  
& excavations**

# Acrocorinth



Temple of Apollo

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❖ **Church**

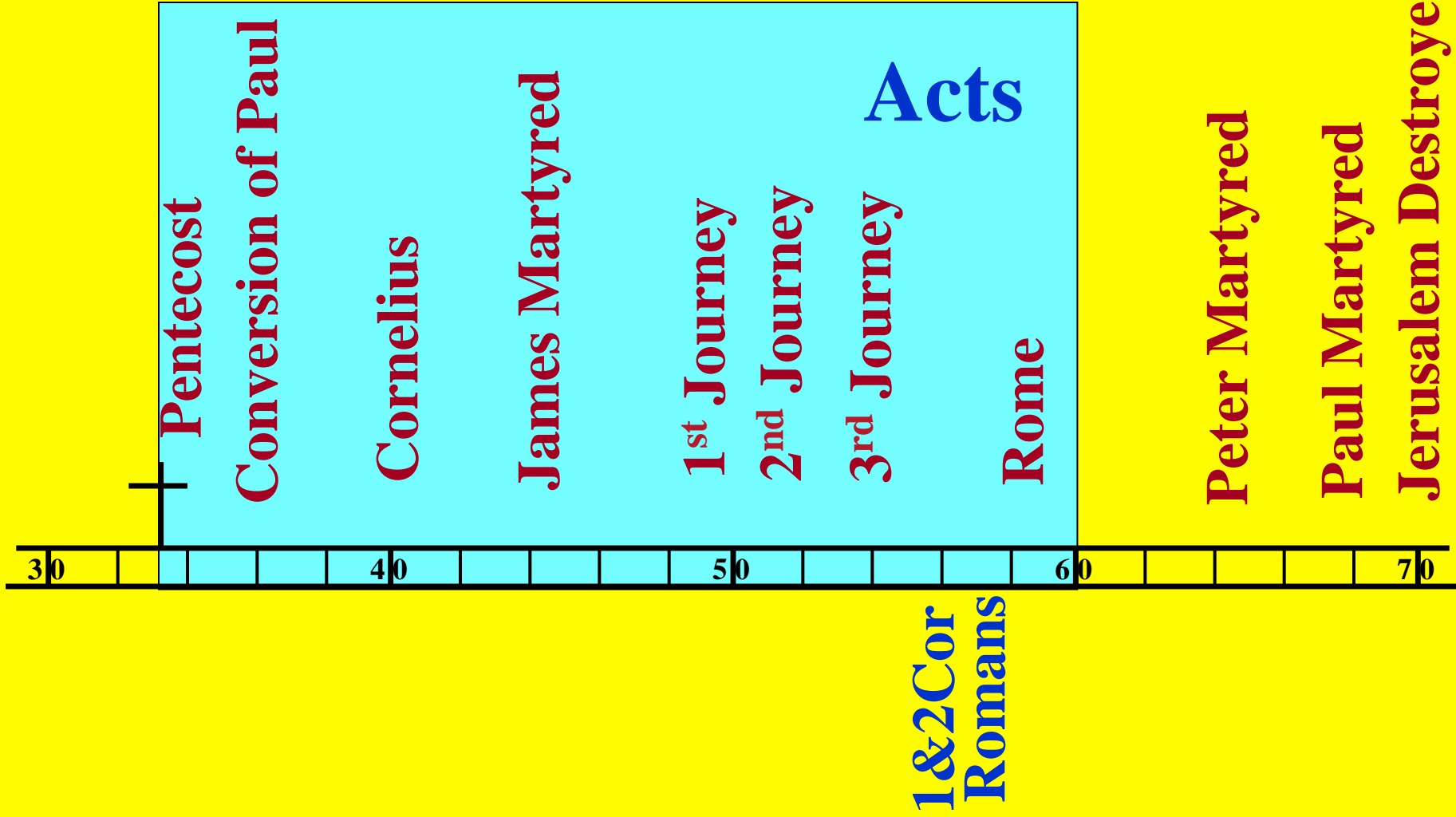
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- **Occasion - Spring 56**

# OCCASION

1. Founding - Ac 18:1-3, 11
2. First Letter - 5:9, 11
3. Timothy's Report - 1:11, 7:1
4. Anticipates Visit - 4:19
5. Writes book - 4:17, 16:5-8

# ACTS HISTORY



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Ephesus



# 1 CORINTHIANS

- **Author - Paul**
- **Audience - Church at Corinth**
- **Occasion - Spring 56**
- **Location - Ephesus**
- **Purpose - Practical**

# **CHARACTERISTICS**

- 1. Church Problems**
- 2. Problems Solved with  
Biblical Principles**

# **PROBLEMS**

- ✓ Divisions - message & ministry
- ✓ Incest - discipline & leaven
- ✓ Lawsuits - judge world & angels
- ✓ Immorality - one with Christ
- ✓ Marriage - sovereignty
- ✓ Idolatry - love & liberty
- ✓ Submission - Trinity
- ✓ Gifts - love

# **CHARACTERISTICS**

- 1. Church Problems**
- 2. Problems Solved with  
Biblical Principles**
- 3. Most varied in content**

# OUTLINE

- I. Correction of Reported Conditions 1-6**
  - A. Salutation 1:1-9**
  - B. Divisions in Church 1:10-4:21**
  - C. Disorders in Church 5-6**

# OUTLINE

- I. Correction of Reported Conditions 1-6**
- II. Concerns Requested by Cor. 7-15**
  - A. Marriage 7**
  - B. Idolatry 8:1-11:1**
  - C. Worship 11:2-16**
  - D. Spiritual Gifts 12-14**
  - E. Resurrection 15**

# OUTLINE

- I. Correction of Reported Conditions 1-6**
- II. Concerns Requested by Cor. 7-15**
- III. Collection for Church 16**



A photograph of a sunset over a large body of water, likely the Sea of Galilee. The sun is a bright orange circle on the horizon, with its light reflecting as a shimmering path on the water's surface. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds. The foreground shows the dark silhouette of a hillside with some sparse vegetation.

**Live out your  
Biblical Worldview!!**

**Sea of Galilee from Kursi**