

Part 1: INTRODUCTION

BIBLE READING

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by God's will: To the saints and believers in Christ Jesus at Ephesus.

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, in Christ.

⁴ For He chose us in Him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless in His sight. In love

⁵ He predestined us to be adopted through Jesus Christ for Himself, according to His favor and will,

⁶ to the praise of His glorious grace that He favored us with in the Beloved.

⁷ In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

⁸ that He lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.

⁹ He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure that He planned in Him

¹⁰ for the administration of the days of fulfillment—to bring everything together in the Messiah, both things in heaven and things on earth in Him.

¹¹ In Him we were also made His inheritance, predestined according to the purpose of the One who works out everything in agreement with the decision of His will,

¹² so that we who had already put our hope in the Messiah might bring praise to His glory.

¹³ In Him you also, when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation – in Him when you believed - were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit.

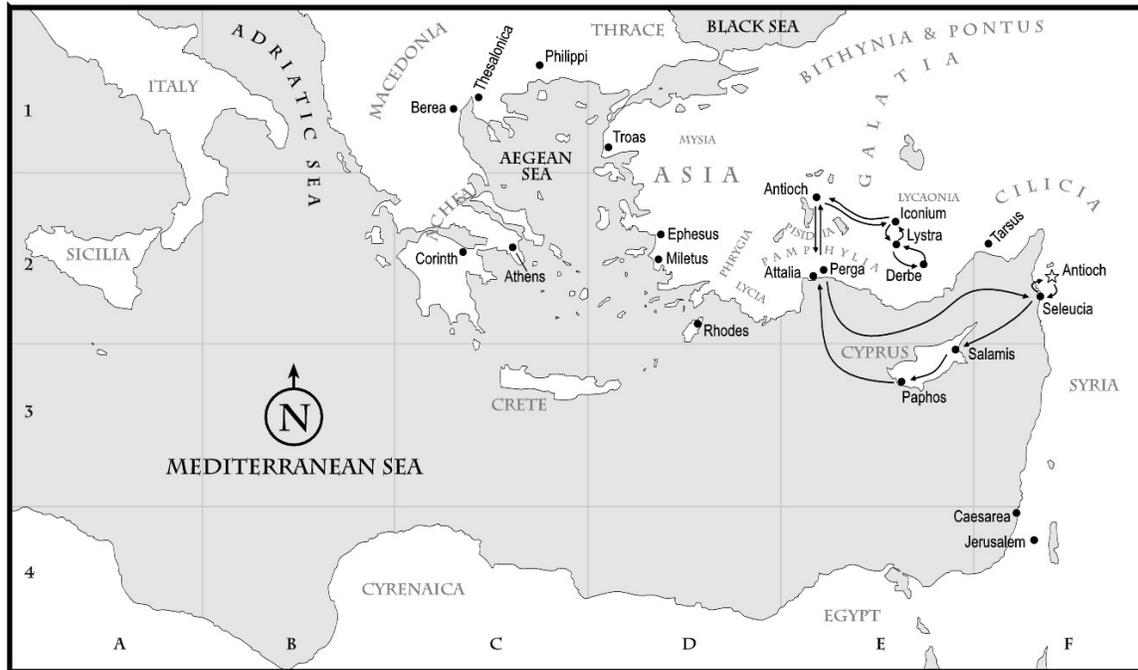
¹⁴ He is the down payment of our inheritance, for the redemption of the possession, to the praise of His glory. Ephesians 1:1-14 p1524

EPHESUS

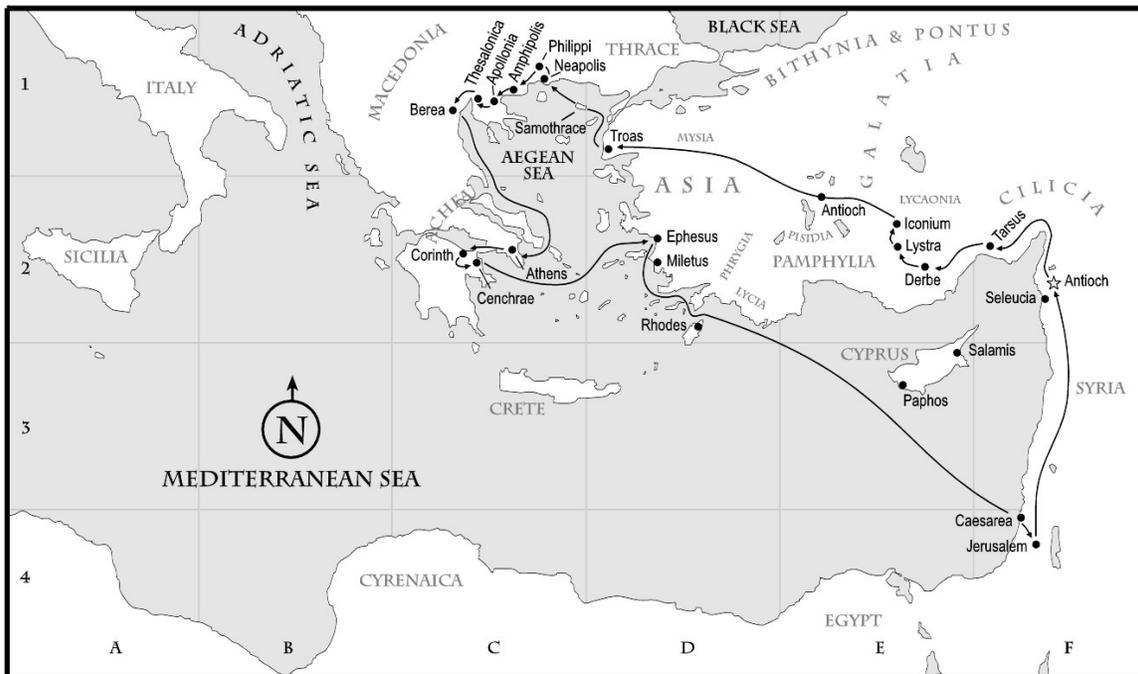




PAUL'S FIRST JOURNEY



PAUL'S SECOND JOURNEY



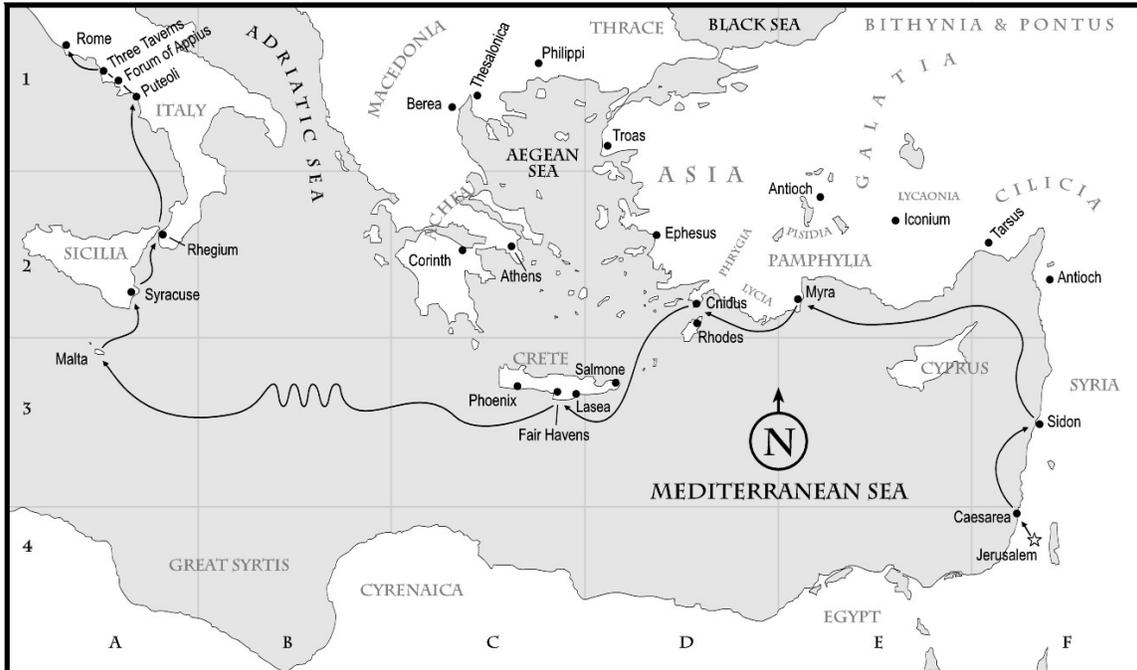
PAUL'S FIRST VISIT TO EPHESUS

When they reached Ephesus he left them there, but he himself entered the synagogue and engaged in discussion with the Jews.²⁰ And though they asked him to stay for a longer time, he declined,²¹ but he said good-bye and stated, "I'll come back to you again, if God wills." Then he set sail from Ephesus.²² On landing at Caesarea, he went up and greeted the church and went down to Antioch. Acts 18:19-22 p1448

PAUL'S THIRD JOURNEY



PAUL'S JOURNEY TO ROME



PAUL WROTE 4 LETTERS FROM PRISON IN ROME

Philemon, Colossians, Ephesians, Philippians

WHY DID PAUL WRITE THIS LETTER?

To encourage his friends in Ephesus to think of themselves in a while new way... as people in Christ.

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To the saints in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus.

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Ephesians 1:1-2

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For to me, to live is Christ. Philippians 1:21

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Saint means set apart for God

The faithful in Christ Jesus

IN CHRIST JESUS

We are IN CHRIST.

Our status with God could not be any closer than IN CHRIST.

We are ACCEPTED IN CHRIST.

All our sins were punished IN CHRIST.

IN CHRIST, I am as perfect as Christ.

IN CHRIST I am loved as much as God loves Christ.

Being IN CHRIST changes us completely in God's eyes.

IN CHRIST we are secure.

Grace and Peace to you