

Acts: Quick Facts

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Background

Author: No specific claim to authorship is contained in the text of the book itself. But, most believe it was written by Luke.

Date: appears to date from the end of the 2nd century.

Style: Efficient reporting in brief is a feature of the book. Peter's group of sermons and speeches of defense, the astonishing précis of the Areopagus address, with its allusiveness and evocation of atmosphere, and the communication to the Ephesian elders on the beach at Miletus are examples.

The Resurrection is a prominent theme, and it might be supposed that this was the first and most relevant Christian emphasis.

The Contents

The first section could be described as The Acts of the Church, the second, The Acts of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

The story overlaps the last scenes of the gospels and shows the risen Christ commissioning His apostles for a world-wide task, and their enabling for its performance by the gift of the Holy Spirit.

A world is visibly opening as the reader turns the pages. Asia Minor is listening and eager. Neither Jerusalem nor Antioch could resist the evidence that something novel was afoot, a movement requiring decisions, vast reappraisal, and a wisdom in organization beyond anything envisaged in those first phases of the community's life, which were described with cameo vividness in the opening chapters.

The writer clearly had his purpose and plan and was not to be diverted from it. He set out to use one roll of papyrus and used it well.

The Purpose

The Great Commission spoke of expanding areas of witness from Jerusalem to Judea, to Samaria, and the uttermost parts of the earth. Luke's book interprets the words. The gospel had set out to record with historical exactitude all that Jesus "began to do and to teach." The word "began" is significant because the first book was a beginning; the second recorded the next phase of the vast movement, with Christ's power operative in the lives of His men. Six sections of the book seem to record the outward surge of the apostolic witness. Each ends with a general statement and comment upon the process.

FAQ

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WHAT ARE THE RULES?

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