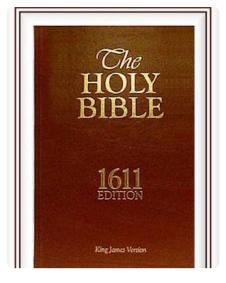
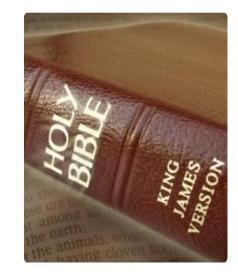
High, Low Road:
Initial then careful diagnosis,
Basic then in-depth analysis,
Macro then micro vision

By Wayne Stewart

Part A





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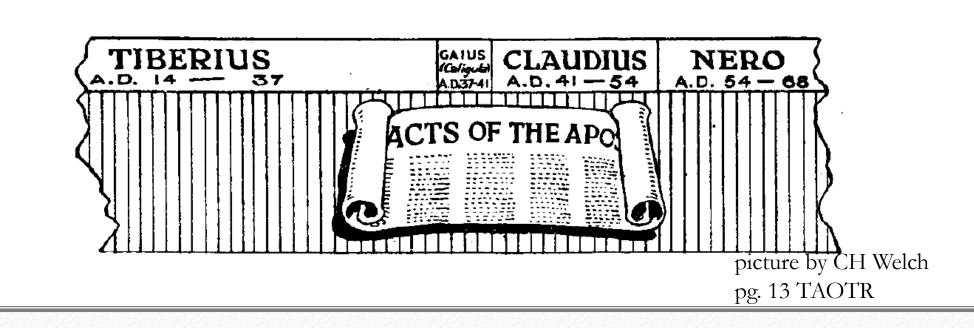
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Acts: When and why?

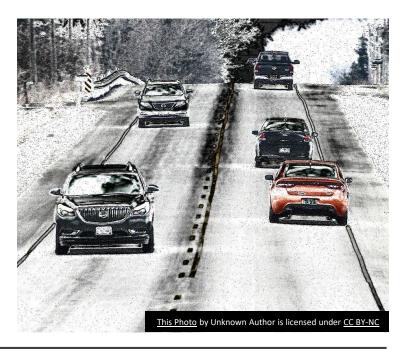
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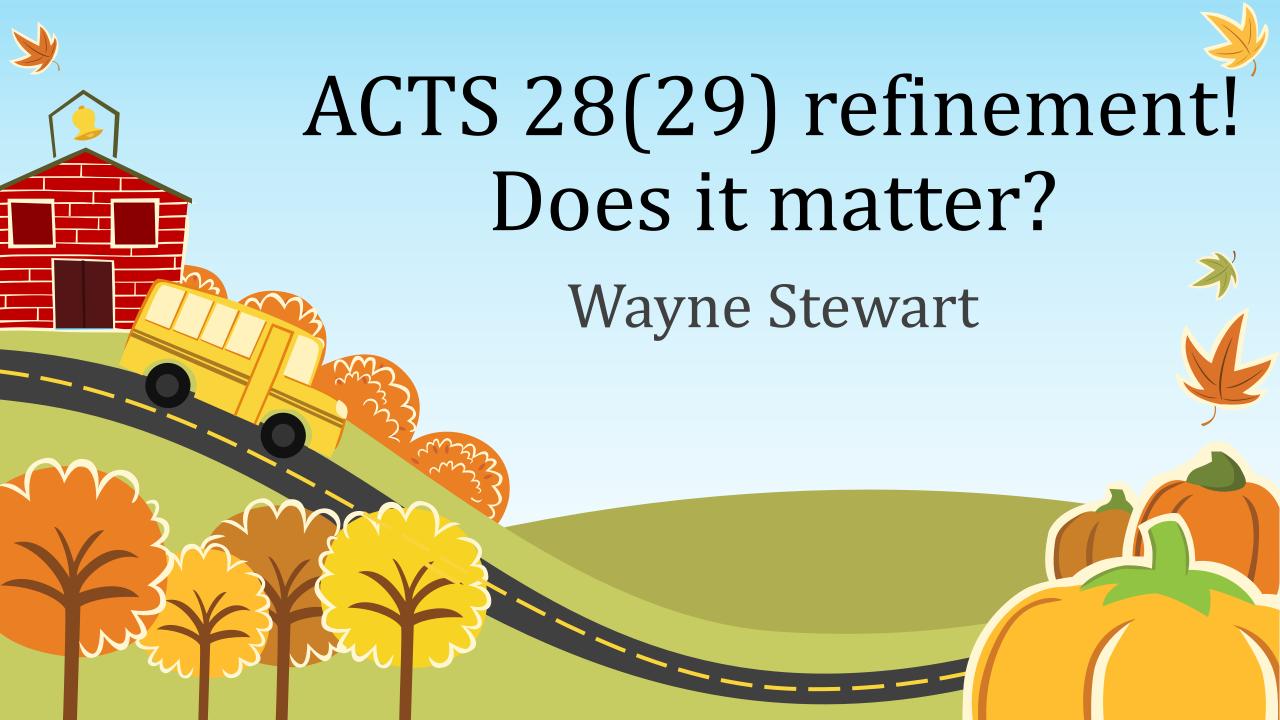






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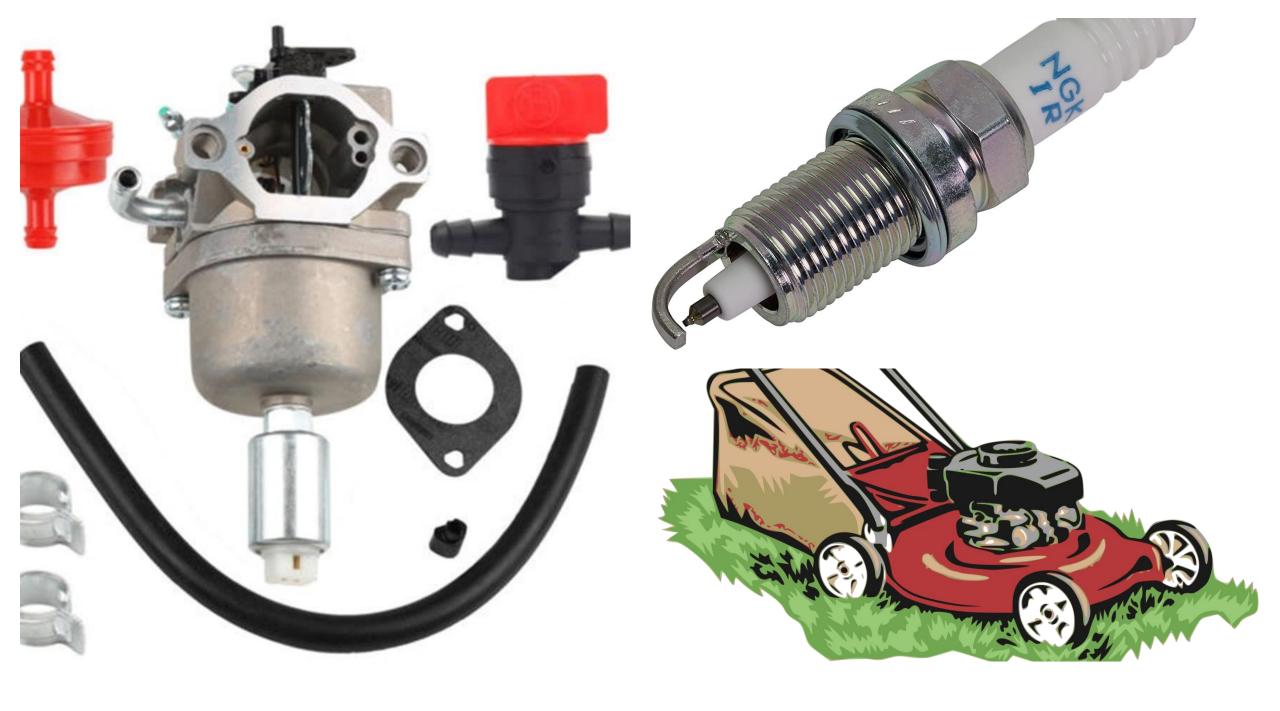
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understand the word of God rightly divided?



KJV Proverbs 3:6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

LXT Proverbs 3:6 έν πάσαις ὁδοῖς σου γνώριζε αὐτήν ἵνα όρθοτομῆ τὰς ὁδούς σου ὁ δὲ πούς σου οὐ μὴ προσκόπτη

ΤΒΤ 2 Timothy 2:15 σπούδασον σεαυτὸν δόκιμον παραστῆσαι τῷ Θεῷ, ἐργάτην ἀνεπαίσχυντον, ὀρθοτομοῦντα τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας.

KJV 2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Who are you — who who?

• TBT Romans 11:13 Ύμῖν γὰρ λέγω τοῖς ἔθνεσιν. ἐφ' ὅσον μέν εἰμι ἐγὼ ἐθνῶν ἀπόστολος, τὴν διακονίαν μου δοξάζω·

 KJV Romans 11:13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:



Are you a little puppy dog under the table?

- 24 But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
- 25 Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me.
- 26 But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs.
- 27 And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.
- (Matt. 15:24-27 KJV)



What message do you bring?

- ΤΒΤ Matthew 4:23 Καὶ περιῆγεν ὅλην τὴν Γαλιλαίαν ὁ Ἰησοῦς, διδάσκων ἐν ταῖς συναγωγαῖς αὐτῶν, καὶ κηρύσσων τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τῆς βασιλείας, καὶ θεραπεύων πᾶσαν νόσον καὶ πᾶσαν μαλακίαν ἐν τῷ λαῷ.
- KJV Matthew 4:23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

12 mmm? Are you a Gentile? What does this mean?

- 5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:
- 6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
- 7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.
- 8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.
- 9 Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,1
- 10 Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. 1 (Matt. 10:5-10 KJV)

Why 12?

- BT Matthew 19:28 ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ὑμεῖς οἱ ἀκολουθήσαντές μοι, ἐν τῆ παλιγγενεσία ὅταν καθίση ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπὶ θρόνου δόξης αὐτοῦ, καθίσεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς ἐπὶ δώδεκα θρόνους, κρίνοντες τὰς δώδεκα φυλὰς τοῦ Ἰσραήλ.
- KJV Matthew 19:28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Baptism

• TBT Mark 16:16 ὁ πιστεύσας καὶ βαπτισθεὶς σωθήσεται· ὁ δὲ ἀπιστήσας κατακριθήσεται.

• KJV Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.



Why did John baptize?

• TBT John 1:31 κάγὼ οὐκ ἤδειν αὐτόν· ἀλλ' ἵνα φανερωθῆ τῷ Ἰσραήλ, διὰ τοῦτο ἦλθον ἐγὼ ἐν τῷ ὕδατι βαπτίζων.

 KJV John 1:31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.

First tabernacle

• TBT Hebrews 9:10 μόνον ἐπὶ βρώμασι καὶ πόμασι καὶ διαφόροις βαπτισμοῖς καὶ δικαιώμασι σαρκός, μέχρι καιροῦ διορθώσεως ἐπικείμενα.

 KJV Hebrews 9:10 Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.1

What shall we do?

• TBT Acts 2:38 Πέτρος δὲ ἔφη πρὸς αὐτούς, Μετανοήσατε, καὶ βαπτισθήτω ἕκαστος ὑμῶν ἐπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ εἰς ἄφεσιν ἁμαρτιῶν, καὶ λήψεσθε τὴν δωρεὰν τοῦ Ἁγίου Πνεύματος.

 KJV Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

What about NOW?









Calling

• Rom. 11:29; 1 Cor. 1:26; 7:20; Eph. 1:18; 4:1, 4; Phil. 3:14; 2 Thess. 1:11; 2 Tim. 1:9; Heb. 3:1; 2 Pet. 1:10

Hope of the promise made to whom?

- TBT Acts 26:6 καὶ νῦν ἐπ' ἐλπίδι τῆς πρὸς τοὺς πατέρας ἐπαγγελίας γενομένης ὑπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἕστηκα κρινόμενος, 7 εἰς ἣν τὸ δωδεκάφυλον ἡμῶν ἐν ἐκτενεία νύκτα καὶ ἡμέραν λατρεῦον ἐλπίζει καταντῆσαι· περὶ ἡς ἐλπίδος ἐγκαλοῦμαι, βασιλεῦ Ἁγρίππα, ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων.
- KJV Acts 26:6 And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers: 7 Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come.
 For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.1

Adoption: υἱοθεσία, ας, ἡ adoption

• Rom. 8:15, 23; 9:4; Gal. 4:5; Eph. 1:5

That ye may know!!!!!

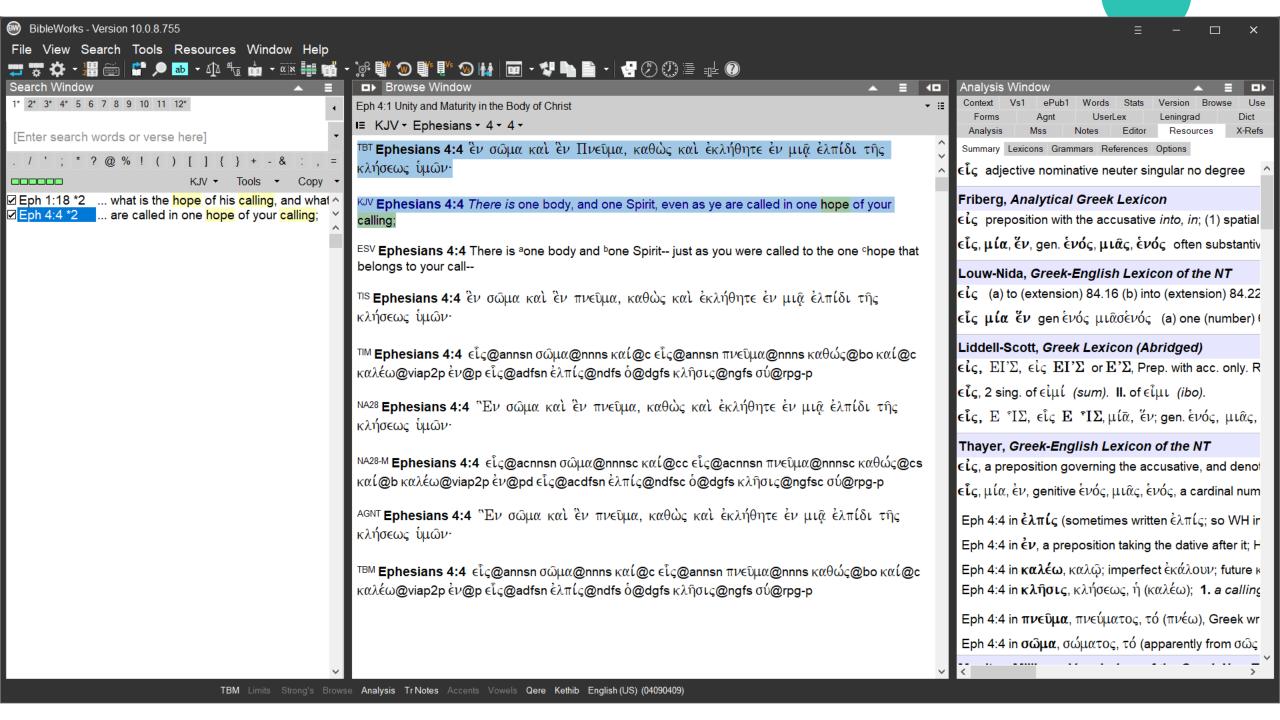
• TBT Ephesians 1:18 πεφωτισμένους τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς τῆς διανοίας ὑμῶν, εἰς τὸ εἰδέναι ὑμᾶς τίς ἐστιν ἡ ἐλπὶς τῆς κλήσεως αὐτοῦ, καὶ τίς ὁ πλοῦτος τῆς δόξης τῆς κληρονομίας αὐτοῦ ἐν τοῖς ἁγίοις,

 KJV Ephesians 1:18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

ONE HOPE of YOUR CALLING

• TBT Ephesians 4:4 εν σῶμα καὶ εν Πνεῦμα, καθὼς καὶ ἐκλήθητε ἐν μιᾳ ἐλπίδι τῆς κλήσεως ὑμῶν·

 KJV Ephesians 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;



Three spheres of blessing

Eph. 1:3, 20; 2:6; 3:10; 6:12

THE WIFE

The earth Mat. 5:5

THE BRIDE

The Heavenly City Heb. 3:1, 11:10,13,16 12:22,23 THE NEW MAN

Super celestial Eph. 2:6, 4:10

Mat. 6:10 Rom. 9:3-5 Rev. 21:9,10 Gal. 3:3-9, 27-29 Eph. 2:15 Eph. 3:6 Col. 3:11

Time in Matthew

- TBT Matthew 4:17 Ἀπὸ τότε ἤρξατο ὁ Ἰησοῦς κηρύσσειν καὶ λέγειν, Μετανοεῖτε· ἤγγικε γὰρ ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.
- KJV Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
- TBT Matthew 16:21 Ἀπὸ τότε ἤρξατο ὁ Ἰησοῦς δεικνύειν τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ ὅτι δεῖ αὐτὸν ἀπελθεῖν εἰς Ἱέροσόλυμα, καὶ πολλὰ παθεῖν ἀπὸ τῶν πρεσβυτέρων καὶ ἀρχιερέων καὶ γραμματέων, καὶ ἀποκτανθῆναι, καὶ τῆ τρίτη ἡμέρα ἐγερθῆναι.
- KJV Matthew 16:21 From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day

Metaphors of relationship, calling and hope

- KJV Jeremiah 2:2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown.1 (Jer. 2:2 KJV)
- Jer. 31:31-32
- Ezek. 16

Bride

- Mat. 13:44(All Israel),46 (pearl of great price)
- Pearls Rev. 18:16, 21:19,21
- Ex 19:5,6
- Deut. 26:18,19
- Psalm 135:4 "peculiar treasure"

Field is the world, Mat. 13:38



Body of which Christ is head

- Eph. 2: 11-19
- Col 1:25-26

When God finally set the nation Israel aside He said, through the Apostle Paul:

"Be It known therefore unto you, that THE SALVATION OF GOD IS SENT UNTO THE GENTILES, and that they will hear it" (Acts 28:28).

Therefore Paul says, by inspiration:

"... I SPEAK TO YOU GENTILES, INASMUCH AS I AM THE APOSTLE OF THE GENTILES, I MAGNIFY MINE OFFICE" (Rom. 11:13).

Thus, while Israel and the prophetic program are temporarily set aside, the church is made up predominantly of Gentiles in the flesh, with Paul as their apostle.

This is why the apostle speaks of "this mystery among the Gentiles" (Col. 1:27) and explains to the Gentile believers of this day:

"For I would not, brethren, that you should be ignorant of THIS MYSTERY, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; THAT BLINDNESS IN PART IS HAPPENED TO ISRAEL, UNTIL THE FULNESS OF THE GENTILES BE COME IN" (Rom. 11:25).





hope

- Acts 7:2,44,51
- Acts 13:16,17
- Acts 26:7
- Acts 28:20
- Import the hope of Israel into Ephesians 1:18, 4:4??

But concerning the body of Christ, with its heavenly calling and position, not one word is to be found in the pages of prophecy. Indeed, God kept this great purpose a secret until He was ready to bring the body itself into being, and then He revealed it first to the Apostle Paul. The apostle says of this great purpose, that it was:

"KEPT SECRET SINCE THE WORLD BEGAN" (Rom. 16:25).

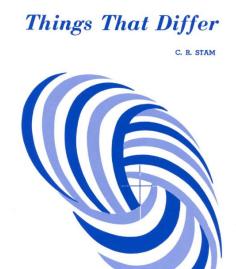
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"IN OTHER AGES ... NOT MADE KNOWN" (Eph. 3:5).

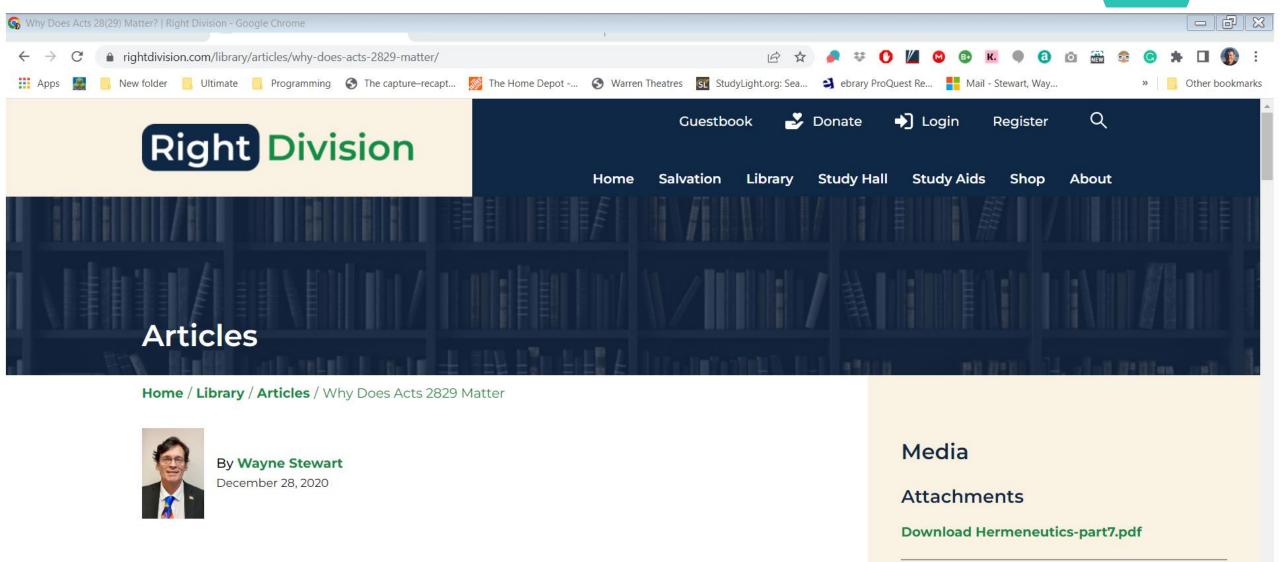
"FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD ... HID IN GOD" (Eph. 3-9).

"HID FROM AGES AND FROM GENERATIONS" (Col. 1:26).

Manifestly there is a great difference between that which was "spoken by the mouth of all [God's) holy prophets since the world began" and that which was "kept secret since the world began."



Part B



Why does Acts 28(29) matter?
Introduction

The writings of the author CH Welch have been and continue to be a tremendous influence on those who look for dispensational truth. One of his great and influential contributions is the destring sensorping the "dispensational boundary of Acts 28". Over the years I have also

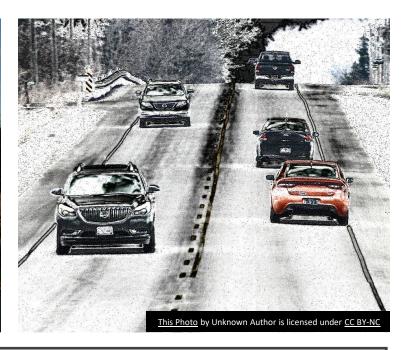


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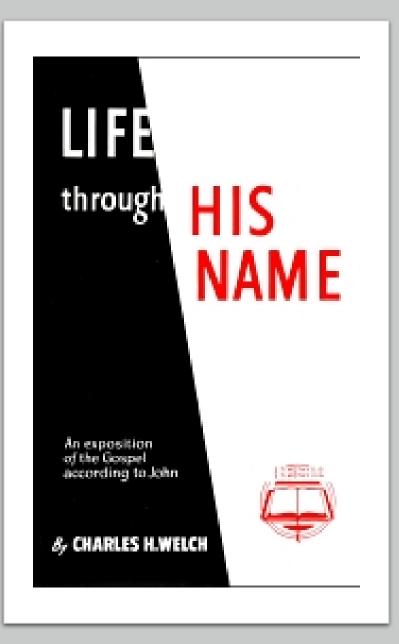
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Modus Operandi (Lat.: Method of working)

- Learn quickly from what has been established
 - Use Welch's "Life through his name" commentary on John.
- Ask and answer "good" questions:
 - From biblical context
 - Assuming what we strongly believe to be true
- Refashion our systematic to conform to the scriptures rightly divided







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- Cool summaries
- Lots of linking passages
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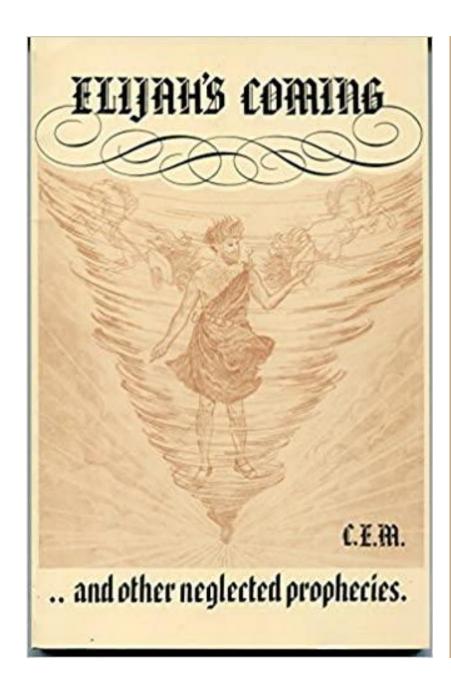
JOHN AND THE MYSTERY

Charles H. Welch

THE BEREAN PUBLISHING TRUST 52A WILSON STREET LONDON EC2A 2ER ENGLAND

Second book: Also useful to our study

https://levendwater.org/books/john and the mystery.pdf

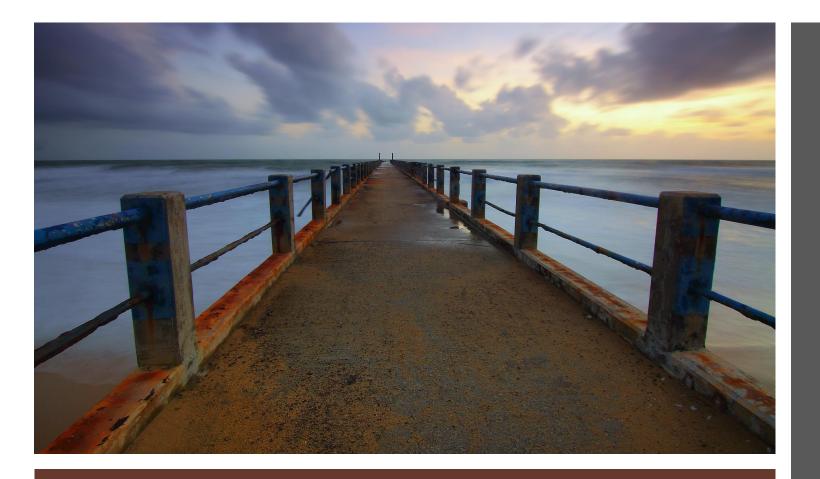


Third Book: Elijah's coming (Not dedicated to "John" – but overlaps ideas we will discuss)





Motivation



John 20:30-31

- KJV John 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:
- 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

"The world", 5.1,6.4"Feast of the Jews", 20.16 Rabbi

KOSMOS

• Jn. 1:9-10, 29; 3:16-17, 19; 4:42; 6:14, 33, 51; 7:4, 7; 8:12, 23, 26; 9:5, 39; 10:36; 11:9, 27; 12:19, 25, 31, 46-47; 13:1; 14:17, 19, 22, 27, 30-31; 15:18-19; 16:8, 11, 20-21, 28, 33; 17:5-6, 9, 11-16, 18, 21, 23-25; 18:20, 36-37; 21:25

SOME QUESTIONS

- How does Israel become Lo-ammi –does it happen all at once?
- What happens when Israel/Judah becomes Lo-ammi?
- Does the prophecy stop?
- Does God stop using Israel's prophets?

... οἱ δὲ κεκλημένοι οὐκ ἦσαν ἄξιοι. (Mat 22:8 TBT)

KJV **Revelation 19:9** And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

ΤΒΤ **Revelation 19:9** καὶ λέγει μοι, Γράψον, Μακάριοι οἱ εἰς τὸ δεῖπνον τοῦ γάμου τοῦ ἀρνίου κεκλημένοι. καὶ λέγει μοι, Οὖτοι οἱ λόγοι ἀληθινοί εἰσι τοῦ Θεοῦ.

ACTS 28 - LOOK AGAIN!

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- vs24 some believed some believed NOT
- vs25 "dismissed" ἀπελύοντο
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 - vs29 the Jews departed ἀπέρχομαι

Compare: Matt. 13:12-14

KJV Acts 28:28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

Are they hearing "the Mystery"?
How about the Jewish Kingdom message?

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γνωστὸν οὖν ἔστω ὑμῖν, ὅτι τοῖς ἔθνεσιν ἀπεστάλη τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ, αὐτοὶ καὶ ἀκούσονται.

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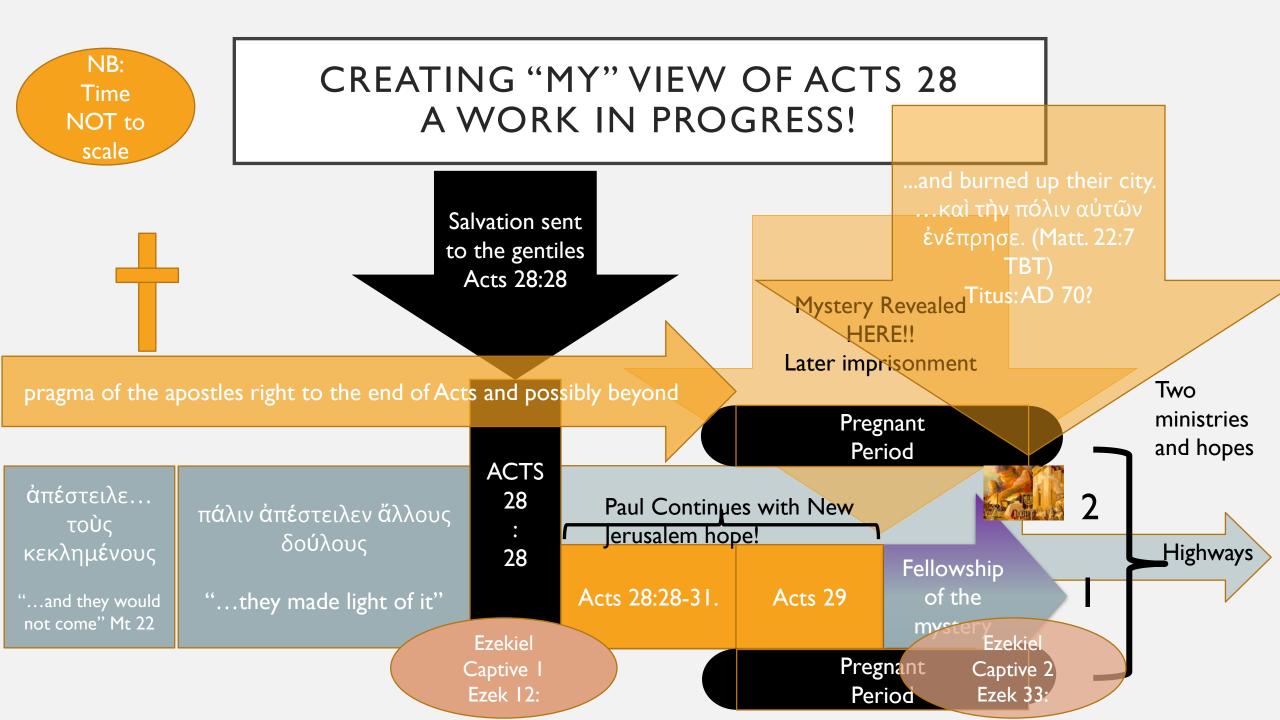
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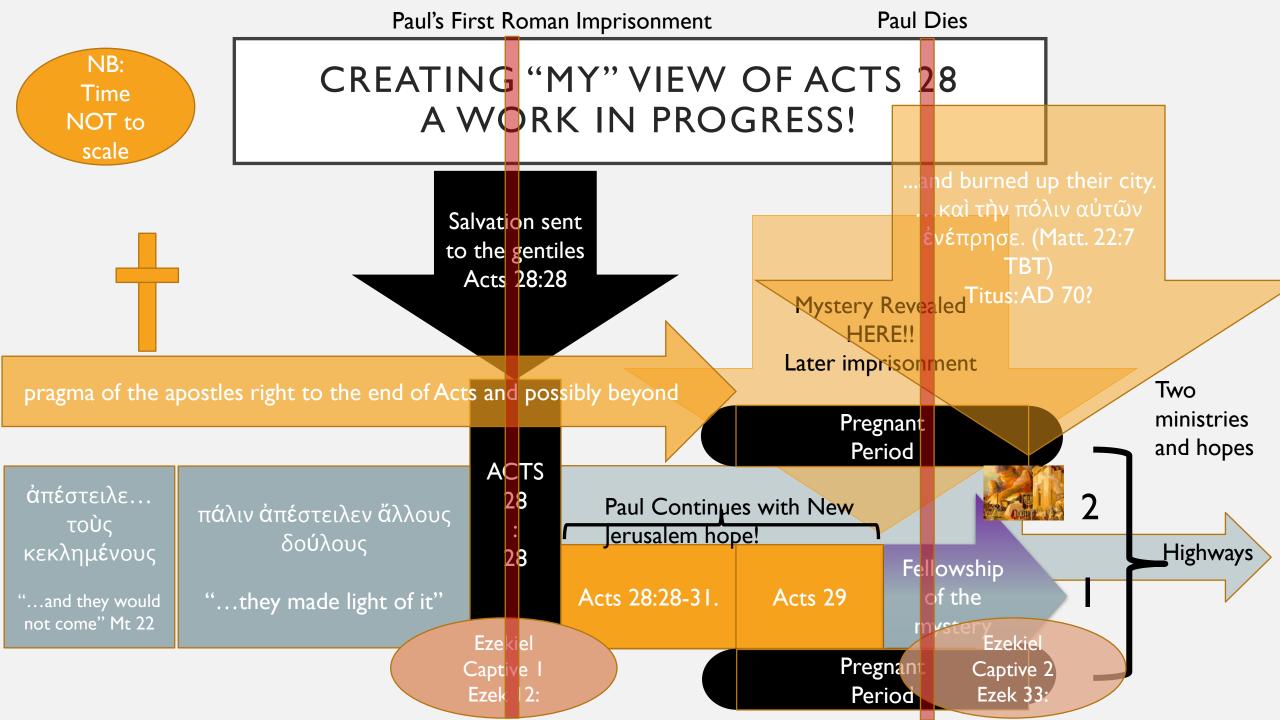
"THEY DEPARTED"

Matt. 1:19; 5:31-32; 14:15, 22-23; 15:23, 32, 39; 18:27; 19:3, 7-9; 27:15, 17, 21, 26; Mk. 6:36, 45; 8:3, 9; 10:2, 4, 11-12; 15:6, 9, 11, 15; Lk. 2:29; 6:37; 8:38; 9:12; 13:12; 14:4; 16:18; 23:16, 18, 20, 22, 25; Jn. 18:39; 19:10, 12; Acts 3:13; 4:21, 23; 5:40; 13:3; 15:30, 33; 16:35-36; 17:9; 19:40; 23:22; 26:32; 28:18, 25; Heb. 13:23

[Fri] ἀπολύω impf. ἀπέλυον; fut. ἀπολύσω; 1aor. ἀπέλυσα; pf. pass. ἀπολέλυμαι; 1aor. pass. ἀπελύθην; fut. pass. ἀπολυθήσομαι; (1) of a prisoner or debtor set free, release, pardon (MT 27.15); (2) of divorce send away, dismiss, let go (MT 1.19; 19.3); (3) of a crowd or assembly dismiss, send away (MT 14.15); (4) middle go away, depart (AC 28.25); (5) euphemistically, for death let die, let depart (LU 2.29) ἀπολῦσαι VNAA ἀπολύω













ACTS 28:1-31 **■** (29) FREE

Prison Epistles Containing the Mystery Paul's latter life and final execution



ACTS 28:28

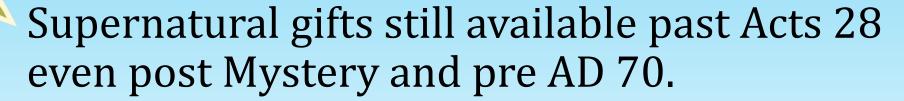


Lo-Ammi



Later Imprisonment





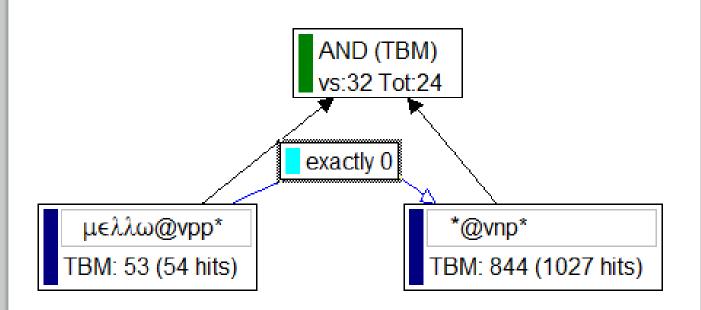
- KJV 2 Timothy 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. (2 Tim. 1:6 KJV)
- KJV **1 Timothy 4:14** Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. (1 Tim. 4:14 KJV)
- KJV 1 Timothy 1:20 Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme. (1 Tim. 1:20 KJV)
- KJV **1 Timothy 1:18** This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare; (1 Tim. 1:18 KJV)
- KJV Ephesians 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; (Eph. 4:11 KJV)





Motivation

- Can two dispensations run together?
- Paul said near the end of his life:
- KJV 2 Timothy 4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
- TBT 2 Timothy 4:1 Διαμαρτύρομαι οὖν ἐγὼ ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τοῦ μέλλοντος κρίνειν ζῶντας καὶ νεκροὺς κατὰ τὴν ἐπιφάνειαν αὐτοῦ καὶ τὴν βασιλείαν αὐτοῦ,



Hits

Matt. 11:14; Lk. 21:36; 22:23;
24:21; Acts 3:3; 13:34; 20:3, 7, 13;
23:15, 27; 26:2, 22; 27:2; 1 Tim.
1:16; 2 Tim. 4:1; Heb. 1:14; 8:5;
Jas. 2:12; 1 Pet. 5:1; 2 Pet. 2:6;
Rev. 3:10; 6:11; 8:13

Select examples of μέλλω

• KJV **Acts 20:3** And *there* abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.

• ΤΒΤ **Acts 20:3** ποιήσας τε μῆνας τρεῖς, γενομένης αὐτῷ ἐπιβουλῆς ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων <mark>μέλλοντι ἀνάγεσθαι</mark> εἰς τὴν Συρίαν, ἐγένετο γνώμη τοῦ ὑποστρέφειν διὰ Μακεδονίας.

Select examples of μέλλω

- KJV **Hebrews 8:5** Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, *that* thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.
- ΤΒΤ Hebrews 8:5 οἵτινες ὑποδείγματι καὶ σκιᾳ λατρεύουσι τῶν ἐπουρανίων, καθὼς κεχρημάτισται Μωσῆς μέλλων ἐπιτελεῖν τὴν σκηνήν, Όρα, γάρ φησι, ποιήσης πάντα κατὰ τὸν τύπον τὸν δειχθέντα σοι ἐν τῷ ὄρει.

"about to judge"

Young's Literal Translation

I do fully testify, then, before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who is about to judge living and dead at his manifestation and his reign –

Weymouth New Testament

I solemnly implore you, in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is about to judge the living and the dead, and by His Appearing and His Kingship:

Darby Bible Translation

I testify before God and Christ Jesus, who is about to judge living and dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom,

Berean Literal Bible

I earnestly declare before God and Christ Jesus, the *One* being about to judge *the* living and *the* dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom:

So what? How can the appearing be close?

John 1.11 Matt. 22:7

Second invitation (Parousia close)

Third invitation
Parousia Not close

Acts 28

about to Judge the living and dead at his appearing and kingdom 2 Tim 4.1



Mystery revealed

AD 70



Textbook: I will quote liberally from this text

LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME

being

an exposition of the Gospel of John

by

Charles H. Welch

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The Apostle of the Reconciliation
The Testimony of the Lord's Prisoner
Parable, Miracle, and Sign
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Point of view

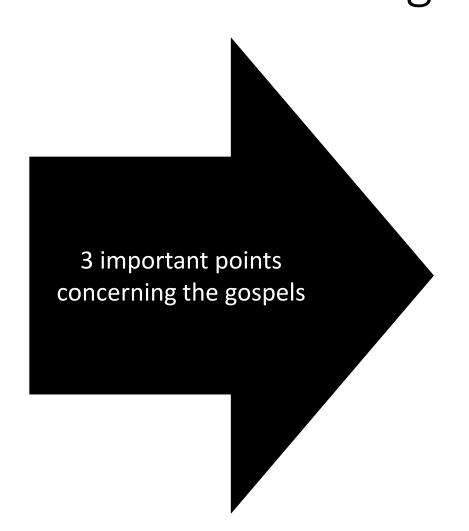
LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME

CHAPTER 1

Introduction

A Question of View Point

Basis of our blessings – goes back to Christ and His sufferings



(1) The historic facts which they record are basic. The birth, death, resurrection and ascension of the Lord are fundamental to doctrinal and practical truth.

'If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain' (1 Cor. 15:14).

(2) While the Gospels are, in a sense, complete in themselves, the Lord told His disciples that there was still further truth to be revealed to them when the Spirit of Truth should come.

'I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now' (John 16:12).

(3) There is a Divine purpose in the fact that the earthly life of our Lord is recorded from four different aspects. The only One Who could have inspired a single complete account of that life and ministry has not done so, but has been pleased to inspire four different writers to write individual and selective accounts from four different points of view.

- MATTHEW. The point of view of this writer is that of the Kingdom, and his readers are Jews and Jewish believers. He begins with Abraham.
- MARK. This Gospel follows the same line as that of Matthew, but is shorter and omits some subject matter that would not appeal to the Gentile proselytes, for whom the account was primarily intended.
- LUKE. Luke writes for the Gentiles evangelized by Paul. He goes back to Adam.
- JOHN. John's point of view is to be discovered. All we will say at the moment is that in 20:31 the apostle has plainly indicated the great object he had in mind in writing his account of the ministry of Christ.

John wrote for non-Jews

That John wrote for non-Jewish readers is at once evident, for it is obvious that no Jew needed to be told that the 'Passover' was a feast of the Jews, or that 'Rabboni' meant My Master. Here is further evidence that non-Jewish readers are in view:

The *world* is the sphere of John's ministry.

The fact that Jewish customs are explained.

The rejection of the Lord by His own people is at the very forefront of the Gospel.

No mention is made of the Lord's Supper, the *New Covenant* feast.

The ascension is emphasized.

The 'Word' in John 1:1 is parallel with the 'Image' in Colossians 1:15.

The prayer of John 17 is, among other things, that 'the world' may know.

Miracles are not mentioned as such; they are called 'signs'.

THE EIGHT SIGNS

A 2:1-11.THE MARRIAGE IN CANA. The third day. No wine. Glory manifested.

B 4:46-54. THE NOBLEMAN'S SON. After two days. At the point of death.

C 5:1-15. THE IMPOTENT MAN

The Pool of Bethesda.

Thirty-eight years.

Sabbath. Sin.

D 6:1-14. FEEDING FIVE THOUSAND. Many went back (6:66).

D 6:15-21. WALKING ON THE SEA. Many of the people believed (7:31).

C 9:1-14. THE MAN BORN BLIND. The Pool of Siloam. From Birth. Sabbath. Sin.

B 11:1-44. THE SISTERS' BROTHER. Two days. Lazarus is dead.

A 21:1-14. THE DRAUGHT OF FISHES The third time. No meat. The Lord magnified.

John's gospel Paul's epistles

BEREAN TWO MINISTRIES SINCE ACTS28 NUMBER PLANTS. JOHN GUESTS, PAUL BODY. THIRTEEN.					
First invitation to Marriage.					
(Gospels) They would not come, (Period)					
Second	invitation				
(Acts)	They made	eli <u>ght of</u> it	, (Period)		
srael set a	aside	CLEY do	estroyed.		
Acts XXVIII.					
John the	Paul the	Prisoner	Elder		
Christ	Christ, th	e Image	TheWord		
Only	First b	orn	Begotten		
lis Fulness	Fulnessy		we receive		
Children	Adoption		of God		
Heavenly	Heavenly		things		
From heaven	Far above al		above all		
Nhere before	He asce	nded	lascend		
riend of	Perfect	Man	Bridegroom		
O ther	Past	ors	sheen		
World	Pr. & Powers	s may know	may Know		
Vine &	Head & M	lembers	branches		
Clory before	Chosen bef	ore overthrow	Overthrow		
Many	Manifested	in Glory	Mansions		
Goshel o	f John.	Enhe	sians		
The World		The Church			
Non-Jewish		To Gentiles			
Jn.i.II.=Acts xxvIII.		Mystery			
The other sheep		Israel set aside			
Signs "		No miraculous gifts.			

Historical evidence and scope

antiquity. We give a few pointed references. Clement of Alexandria (A.D. 150-215) writes:

'St. John, the last (of the evangelists), when he saw that the outward bodily facts had been set forth in the (existing) Gospels, impelled by his friends (and) divinely moved by the Spirit, made a spiritual Gospel'.

Word Frequencies – showing how John differs

	Word.	John's Gospe		vnoptic Fospels.
Kosmos	THE WORLD	79 times	15	times.
Ho Pater	THE FATHER (used of GOD)	121 ,,	66	,,
Martureo	WITNESS	33 "	3	,,
Aletheia	Truth	25 ,,	7	,,
Pempo	SEND	33 "	15	,,
Teleioo	FINISH	19 ,,	2	,,

These six words, which are so characteristic of John's message, would, if studied together, throw considerable light upon the special purpose of his Gospel.

MATTH. - Christ is set forth as KING. 'Behold *thy King*' (Zech. 9:9).

Christ is set forth as David's BRANCH. 'Behold ... I will raise unto David a righteous *Branch* and a King shall reign and prosper' (Jer. 23:5,6; 33:15).

Christ's *genealogy* is therefore given from Abraham through David (Matt. 1:1-17).

Christ, *relatively*, presented as in the highest earthly position, a KING.

MARK.- Christ is set forth as SERVANT. 'Behold *My Servant*' (Isa. 42:1).

Christ is set forth as the BRANCH. 'Behold I will bring forth My Servant, *the Branch*' (Zech. 3:8).

Christ as a servant, needs no genealogy.

Christ, *relatively*, presented as in the lowliest earthly position, a SERVANT.

LUKE.- Christ is set forth as MAN. 'Behold *the Man*' (Zech. 6:12). Christ is set forth as the BRANCH. 'Behold the man whose name is *the Branch*' (Zech. 6:12).

Christ's *genealogy* is traced back to Adam.

Christ, *intrinsically*, presented as the ideal MAN.

JOHN.- Christ is set forth as GOD. 'Behold *your God*' (Isa. 40:9). Christ is set forth as Jehovah's BRANCH. 'In that day shall Jehovah's *Branch* be beautiful and glorious' (Isa. 4:2). Christ, as God can have no *genealogy*. He 'was' in the beginning.

Christ, *intrinsically*, presented as 'GOD', mediatorially as the 'WORD', and savingly as 'JESUS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD', 'THE WORD MADE FLESH'.

Simplest structure for the Gospel of John

A 1:1-18.

The PROLOGUE. The theme enunciated.

A 1:19 to 21:25.

The GOSPEL. The theme elaborated.

Elaborating the second member A

Taking the second member A, we can set it out in its simplest form as follows:

B 1:19-51. WITNESSES.

C 2:1 to 21:14. SIGNS.

B 21:15-25. WITNESSES.

Further structure in B, B

- B 1:19-51. WITNESSES.
 - a 1:19-34. The witness of John the Baptist. 'This is the record ... I saw and bare record'.
 - **b** 1:35-51. Andrew, Simon the son of Jona, Philip,

Nathanael. 'Follow Me.'

- *B* 21:15-25. WITNESSES.
 - **b** 21:15-23. Simon Peter, Son of Jonas, John. 'Follow Me'.
 - a 21:24,25. The witness of John. 'We know that his testimony is true'.

The Eight Signs

Intervening

The Eight Signs (2:1 to 21:14)

FIRST SIGN. MARRIAGE AT CANA (2:1-11).

'My meat ... to finish His work' (ergon).

'Now we believe' (pisteuo) (2:13 to 4:42).

SECOND SIGN. NOBLEMAN'S SON. 'Except ye see signs' (4:43-52). 'He believed' (pisteuo) (4:53,54).

THIRD SIGN. IMPOTENT MAN (5:1-15).

'My Father worketh ... and I work' (ergon).

'Believe on Him that sent Me' (pisteuo) (5:16-47).

FOURTH AND FIFTH SIGNS. 5,000 FED. WALKING ON SEA (6:1/25).

'This is the work (ergon) of God that ye believe (pisteuo) ... the works of your father' (6 to 8).

SIXTH SIGN. MAN BORN BLIND (9:1-41).

'The works (ergon) ... in My Father's name bear witness'.

'Ye believed not' (pisteuo) (10:1-42).

SEVENTH SIGN. SISTERS' BROTHER RAISED (11:/1-46).

'I have finished the work' (ergon).

'That the world may believe' (pisteuo) (11:47 to 20:31).

EIGHTH SIGN. DRAUGHT OF FISHES (21:1-14).

Structure of the intervening links

A 2:13 to 4:42. My meat is ... to finish His work.

B 4:53,54. He believed.

C 5:16-47. My Father worketh ... and I work.

C 6:26 to 8:59. This is the work of God ... the works of your father.

B 10:1-42. The works ... in My Father's name bear witness.

A 11:47 to 20:31. I have finished the work.

John 20:30

'And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name' (30,31).

Any structure that ignores this testimony must be faulty, and consequently misleading. We were therefore obliged to start afresh, and the result we commend to the discriminating reader.