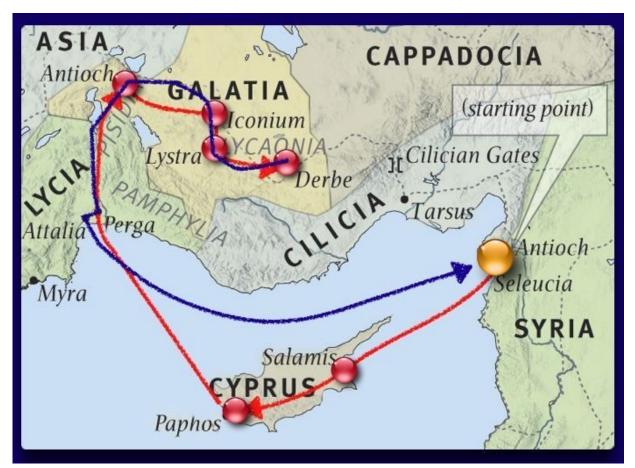


One of Paul's earliest letters: 48/49AD

Written to churches planted during first missionary journey; Acts 13-14

'Hot' letter - emotion and urgency





Dangerous Situation

- Paul's opponents Jewish Christians insisting on Jesus + the Law for salvation
 - Acts 15.5: Then some of the believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees stood up and said, "The Gentiles must be circumcised and required to keep the law of Moses."
 - Under Gods' curse hell
- Galatians turning away from God; salvation is at stake

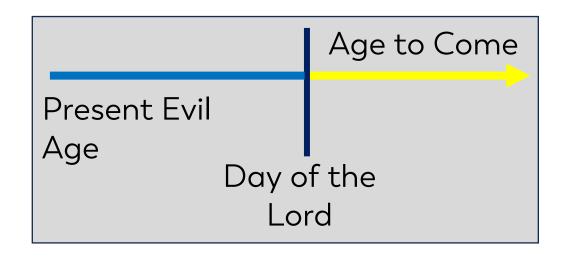


Apostles

- Sent one; messenger
- Two categories of apostle in NT
 - The Twelve the 12 Jesus chose during His earthly ministry to be with Him
 - More generally those sent by the church as missionaries or church planters; i.e. Barnabas
- Paul claims to be in first category
 - 1 Cor 15.7-8: Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.



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