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# Acts 5:12-42

## Church's Second Persecution

### I. Apostles' Power (5:12-16)

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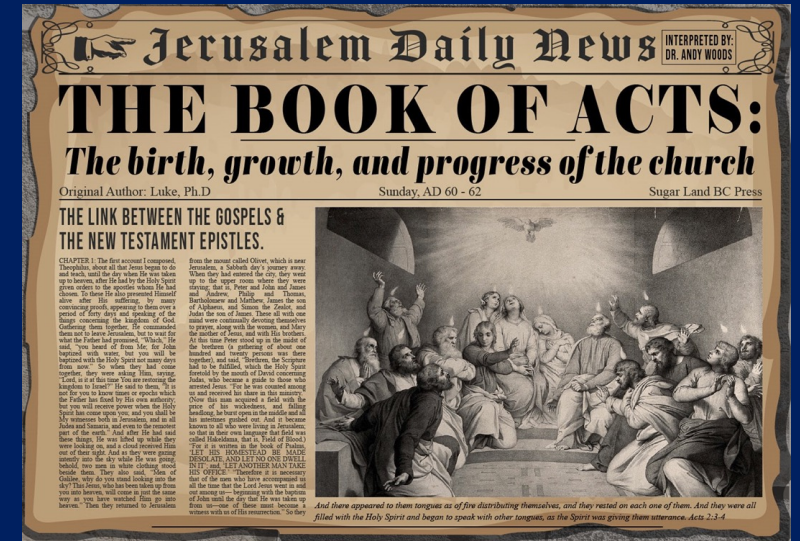


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From the moment called Christ, which is seen Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went up to the upper room where they were staying, and Peter and John and James and Andrew and Matthias, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Cananite, and Judas the son of James. These all with one mind were constantly agreeing themselves to pray, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with the brethren. At the time Peter stood up to the multitude of the brethren (a gathering of about one hundred and twenty persons, was there assembled, and said, "Brethren, the Spirit has testified by the mouths of all the brothers, who have become a guide to those who entered Jerusalem. For he was quoted among us and received his share in this ministry." Close their ears, requires a hand with the grace of the brethren, and having kneeling, he laid open the middle and all his brethren, prostrate, and it became known to all who were living in Jerusalem, and that he had even kneeling and had been called brethren that in Paul of Corinth. This is in written in the book of Psalms. "LET HIM THAT HATH HEARD THE VOICE OF MERRILL, AND LET HIM THAT HATH HEARD THE VOICE OF MERRILL TAKE HIS OFFICE." Therefore it is necessary one of the men who have accompanied in all the time that I have been with you, and out among us — bringing forth the baptism of John unto the day that he was taken up from us — one of these must become a witness with us of the resurrection." So they



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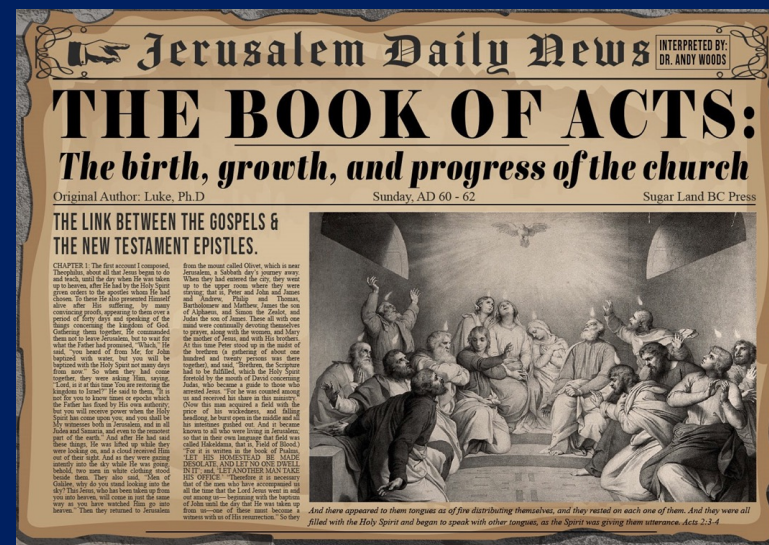




# Acts 3:13-15

## Israel's Rejection of Her Messiah

- a) God sent His Son (13a)
- b) Delivered to Pilate (13b)
- c) Rejection of the Holy & Righteous One (14)
- d) Killed the Prince of Life (15a)
- e) Messiah was Resurrected (15b)





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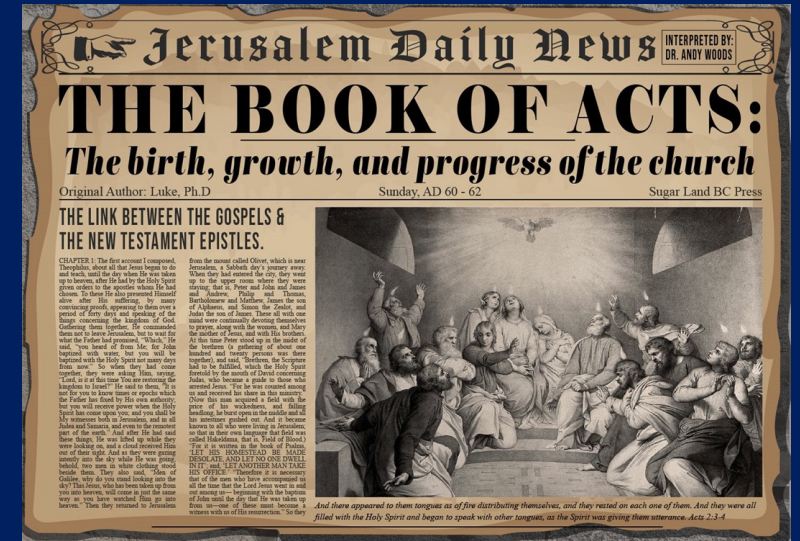


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# 3. Acts 5:21b-24 Sanhedrin's Meeting

- a) Assembly (21b)
- b) Empty prison (21c-23)
- c) Rulers' response (24)

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From the house called Upper, which is now Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went up to the upper room where they were staying, and Peter and John and James and Andrew and Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James. These all with one accord were constantly agreeing themselves to pray, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with the brothers, at the time Peter stood up to the right of the brethren (a gathering of about one hundred) and saying, "Brethren, we have heard that in the days of Jesus, the Holy Spirit testified by the mouth of every one of you, that Judas, who became a guide to those who captured Jesus, "For he was counted among us and received his share in this ministry." Close that man's ears, if he had with him the spirit of the brethren, and having kneeling, he laid open in the middle and all his brethren, great and small, and he began to all who were living in Jerusalem, and that he had ever kept; and that was the first foundation that is, Paul of Tarsus. This is in written in the book of Psalms: "LET HIM HOIST UP HIS MOUTH: AND LET HIM SPEAK OF HIS GLORY." Therefore it is necessary that one of the men who have accompanied us all the time that Jesus went with us and all among us — beginning with the baptism of Jesus until the day that he was taken up into us — one of these must become a witness with us of the resurrection." So they



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## Empty Prison

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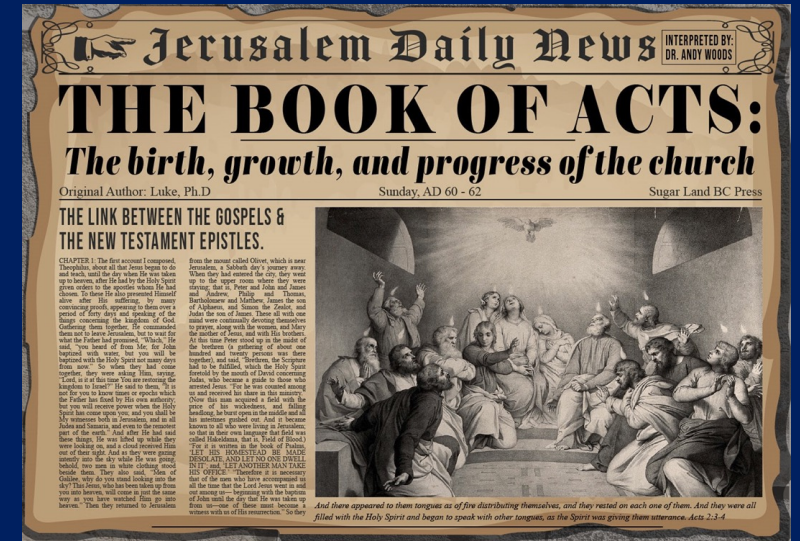
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2. Divine rescue (19-21a)
3. Sanhedrin's meeting (21b-24)
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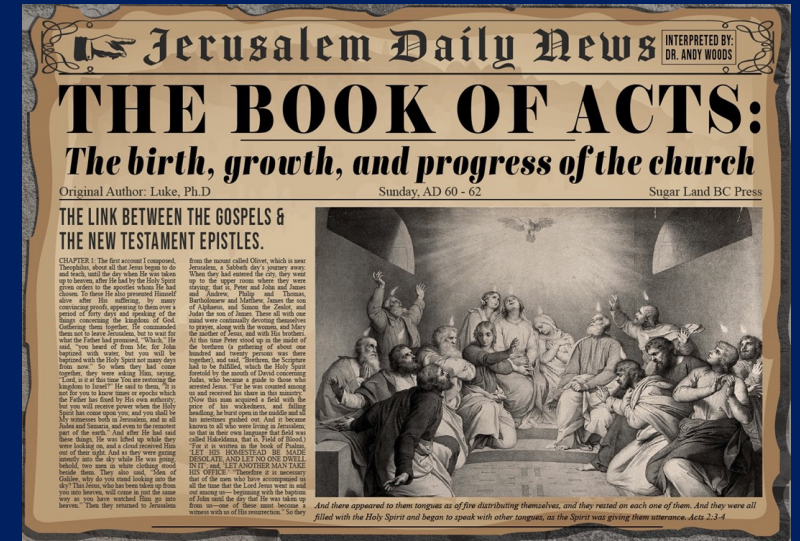
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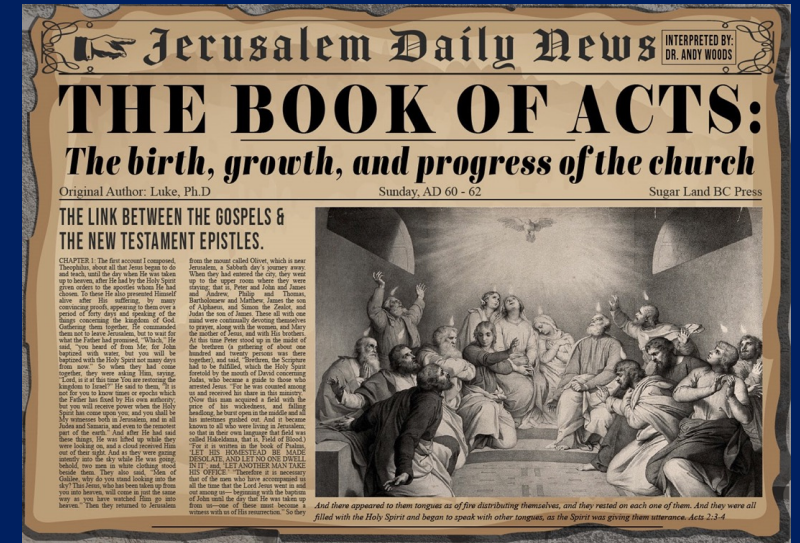
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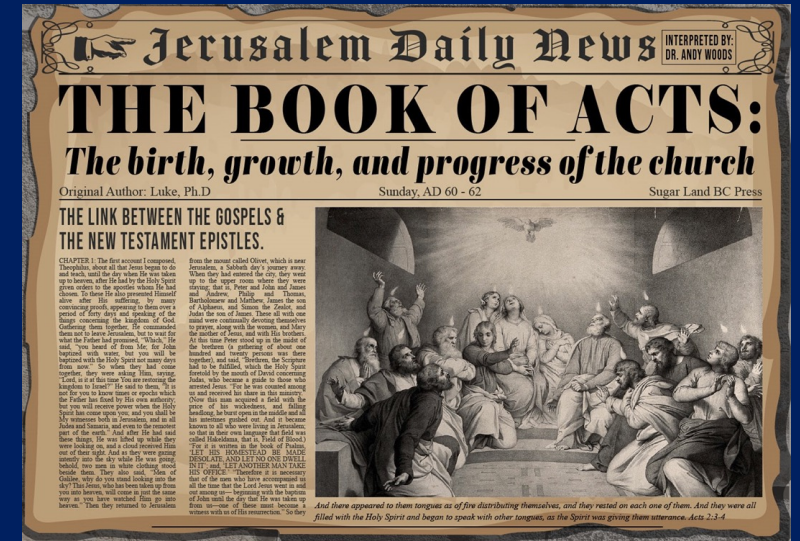




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## Emphasis of 2 Timothy

“By my count, there are twenty-seven explicit commands given in the body of this letter. In 27 words Paul tells pastors what to focus on. You have to be blind to miss the thrust of Paul's instructions here, because ***eighteen of those commands--fully two-thirds--have to do with the ministry of the Word.***”

Daniel Wallace, “Crisis of the Word: A Message to Pastors or Would-be Pastors,”  
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## Acts 4:12

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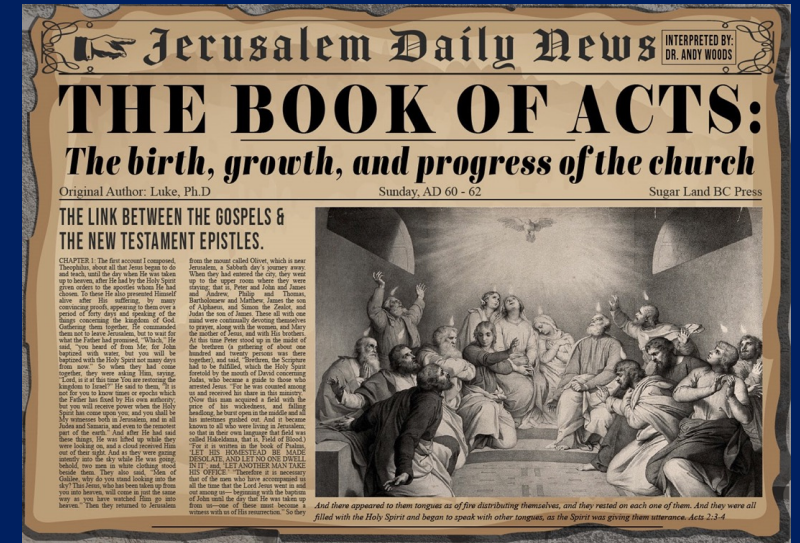
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# Matthew 16:18

“I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build [*oikodomeō*] My church; and the gates of Hades WILL NOT overpower it.”



## Luke 4:43

“But He said to them, “I must [*dei*] preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose.”



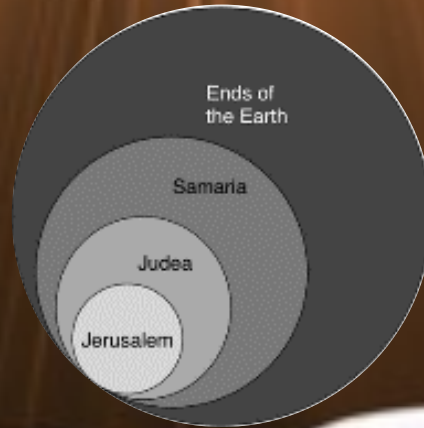
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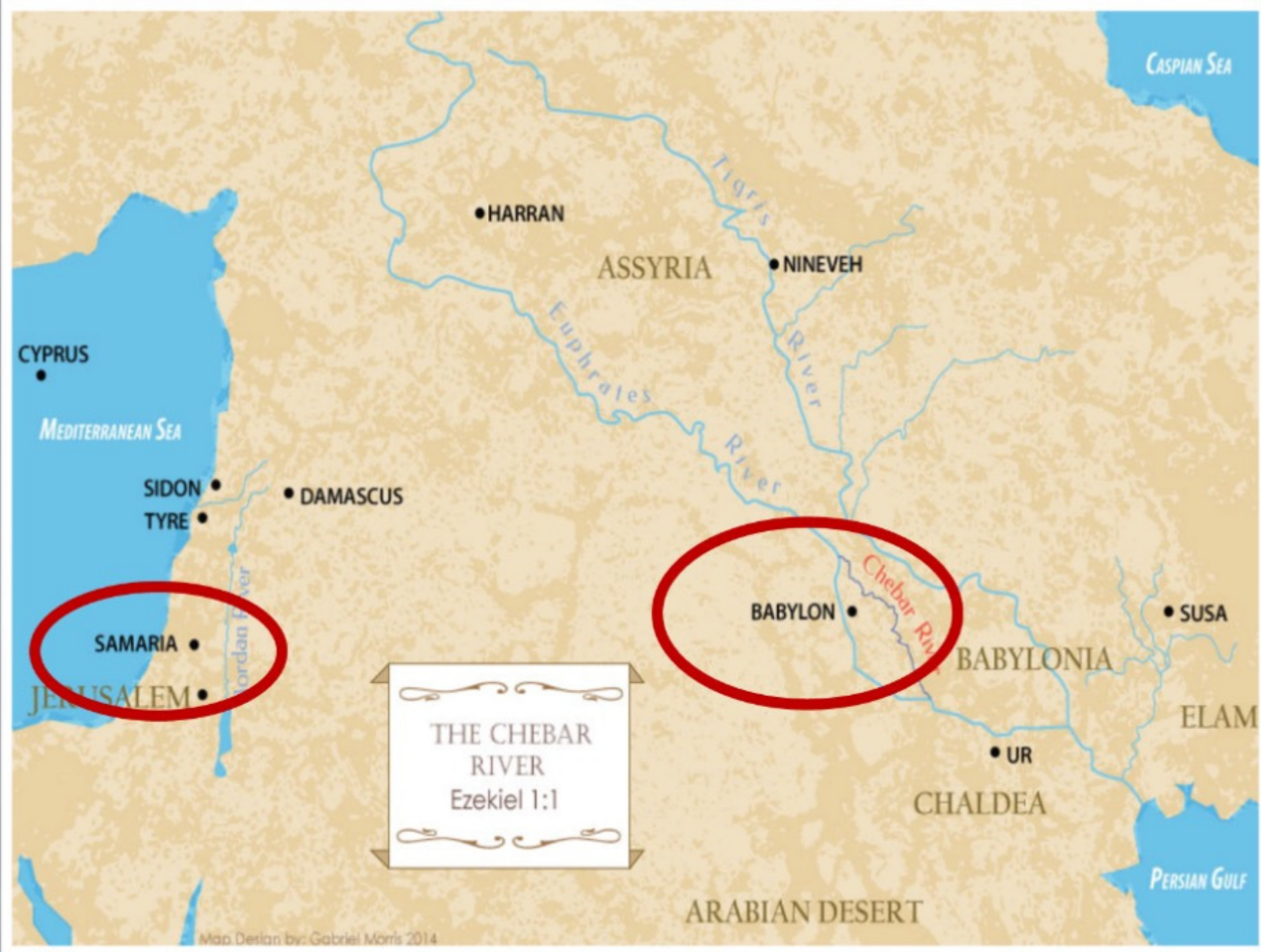
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## Acts 1:8

“but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”





THE CHEBAR RIVER  
Ezekiel 1:1

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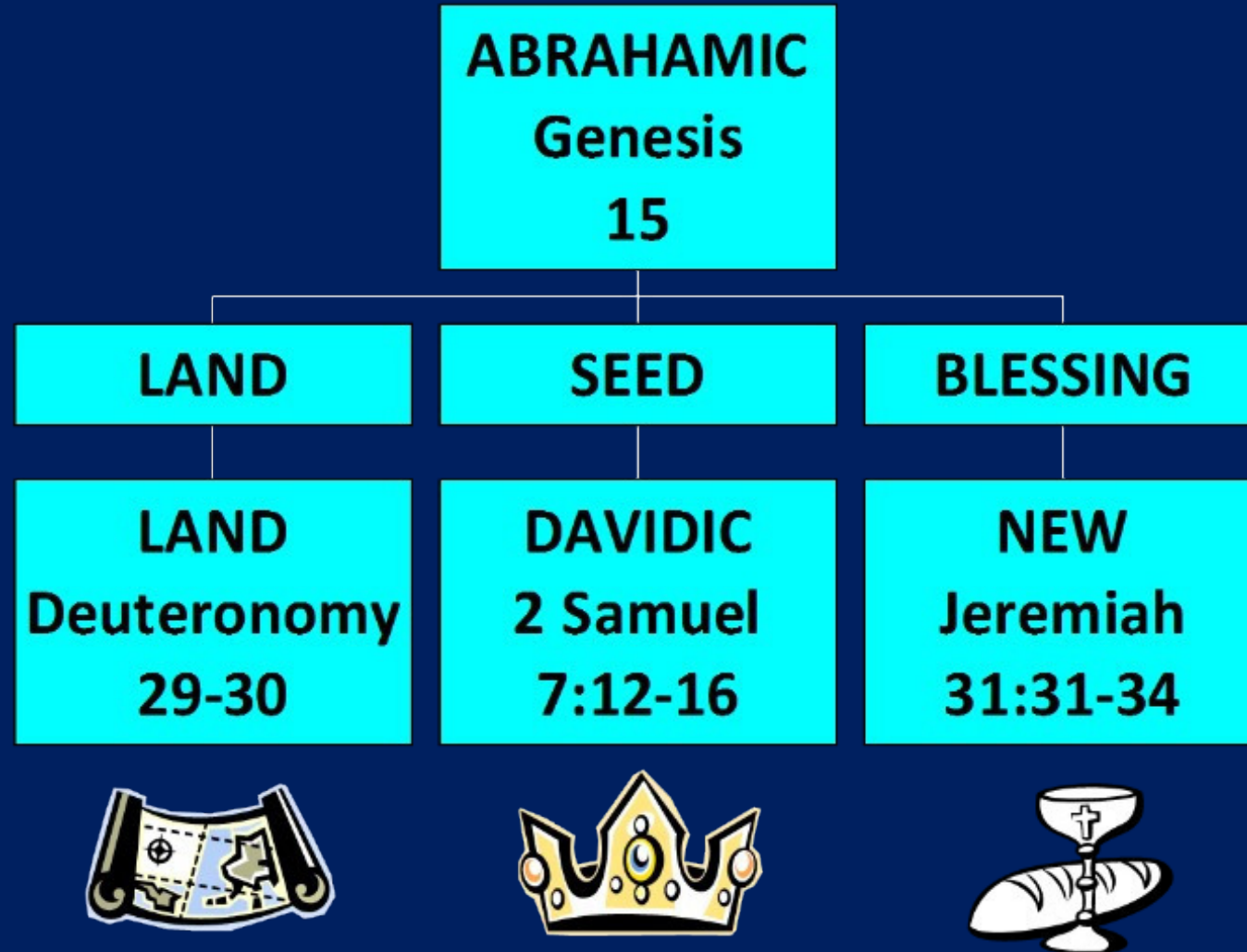
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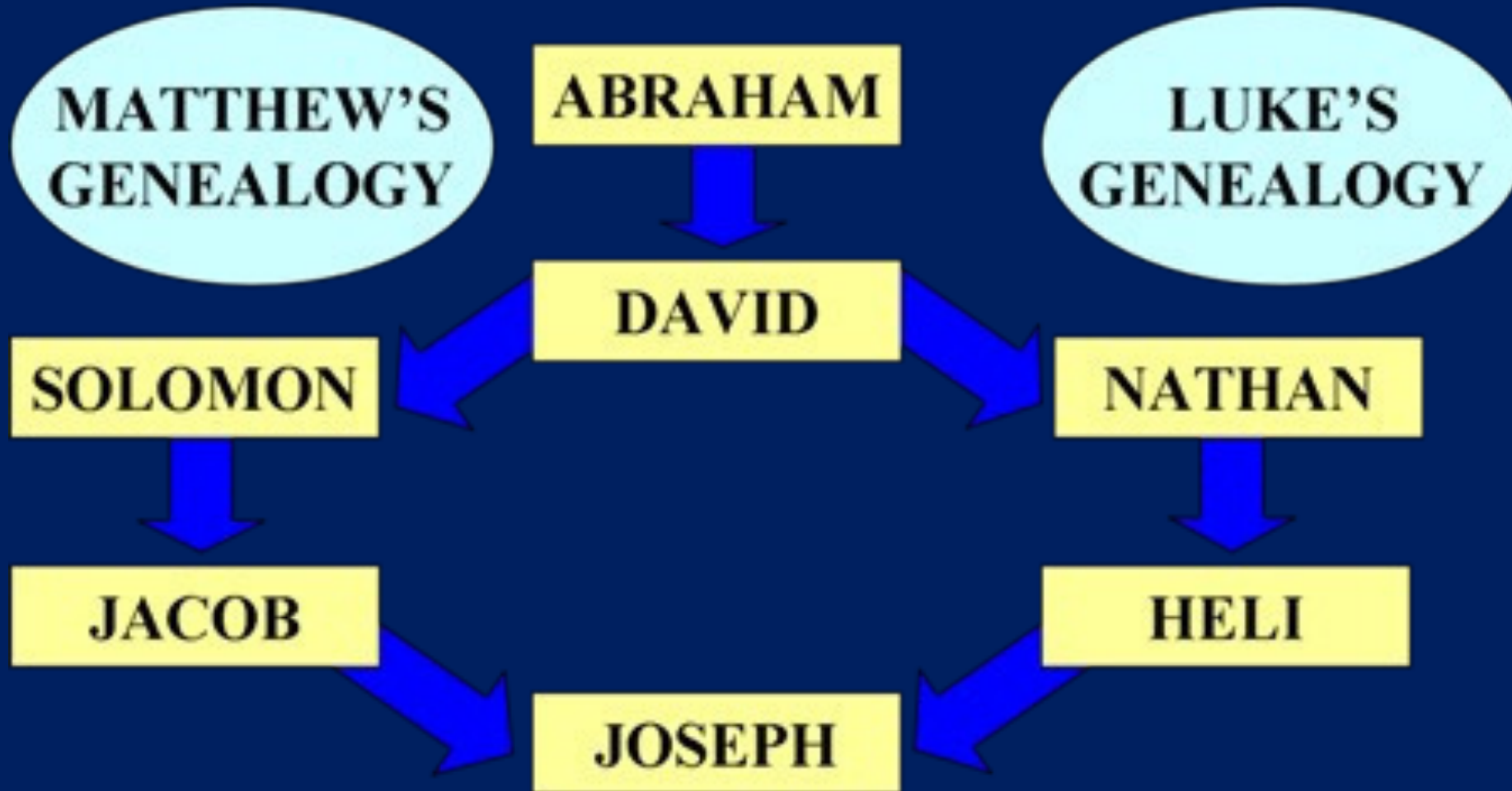


**Unconditional** covenant with a conditional blessing (Deut. 28; Lev. 26)

## Jesus Genealogy According to Matthew

- |                  |                     |                   |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Abraham       | 15. Solomon         | 29. Shealtiel     |
| 2. Isaac         | 16. Rehoboam        | 30. Zerubbabel    |
| 3. Jacob         | 17. Abijah          | 31. Abiud         |
| 4. Judah         | 18. Asa             | 32. Eliakim       |
| 5. Perez         | 19. Jehosaphat      | 33. Azor          |
| 6. Hezron        | 20. Jehoram         | 34. Zadok         |
| 7. Ram           | 21. Uzziah          | 35. Achim         |
| 8. Amminadab     | 22. Jotham          | 36. Eliud         |
| 9. Nahshon       | 23. Ahaz            | 37. Eleazar       |
| 10. Salmon       | 24. Hezekiah.       | 38. Matthan       |
| 11. Boaz         | 25. Manasseh        | 39. Jacob         |
| 12. Obed         | 26. Amon            | 40. <b>Joseph</b> |
| 13. Jesse        | 27. Josiah          | 41. <b>Jesus</b>  |
| 14. <b>David</b> | 28. <b>Jeconiah</b> |                   |

# Matthean and Lukan Genealogies



# b) Acts 5:30-31

## Presentation of the Messiah

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## Acts 2:23

“this Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death.”

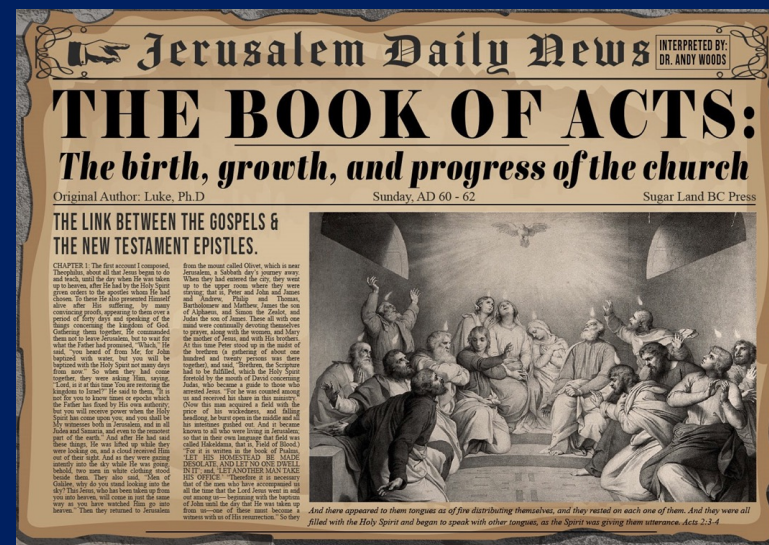




# Acts 2:15-35

## Refutation of the Charge of Drunkenness

1. Too early (15)
2. Use of Joel 2:28-32 (16-21)
3. Christ's miracles (22)
4. Crucifixion (23)
5. Resurrection (24)
6. Use of Psalm 16:8-11 (25-29)
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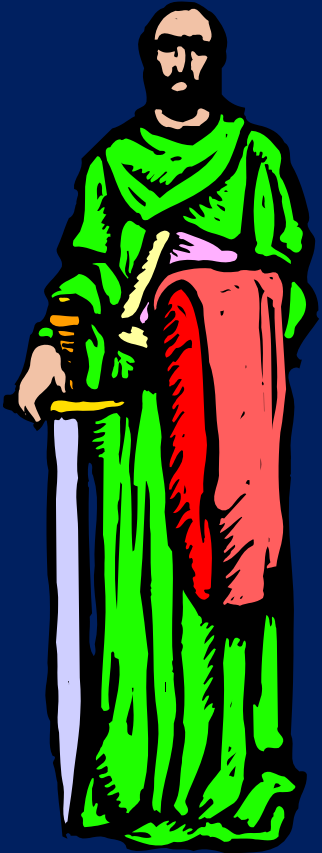


## Daniel 9:26

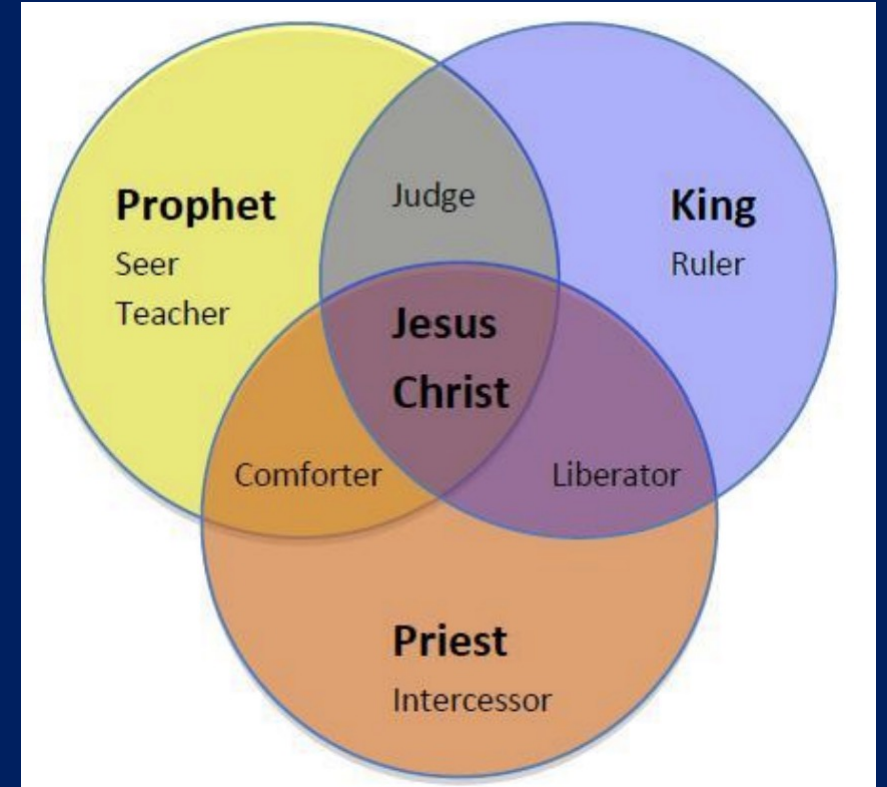
“Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.”



# CHRIST'S THREE OFFICES



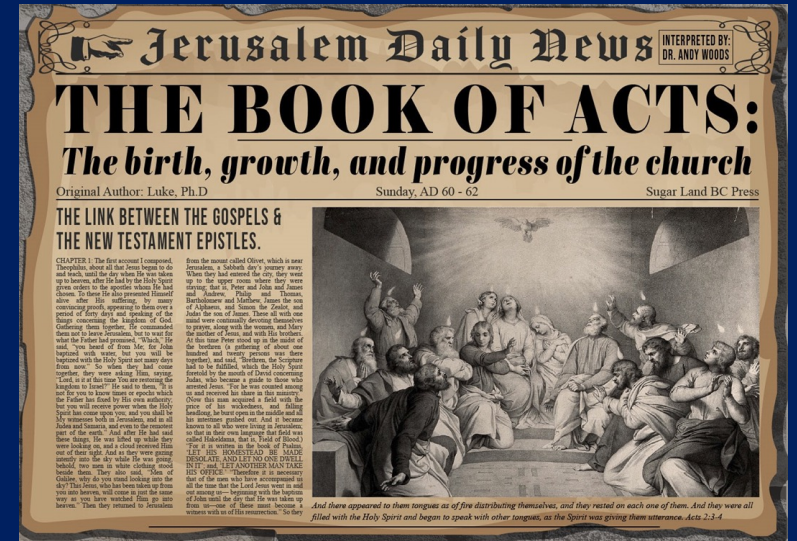
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- Priest (Present Session)
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## Matthew 23:37-39

<sup>37</sup> “Jerusalem, Jerusalem, who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather [*episynagō*] your children together, the way a hen gathers [*episynagō*] her chicks under her wings, and you were unwilling. <sup>38</sup> Behold, your house is being left to you desolate! <sup>39</sup> For I say to you, from now on you will not see Me until you say, ‘BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!’”



# 3. Acts 5:29-32

## Apostles' Response

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<b>Disciple</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Martyrdom</b>
James the Son of Alphaeus	Jerusalem	Clubbed to death
Simon the Zealot	Jerusalem	Martyred
James the Son of Zebedee	Judea (Acts 12:2)	Executed
Thaddeus	Mesopotamia	Beaten to death
Peter	Babylon, Rome	Crucified upside down
Matthew	Parthia (Tehran)	Beheaded

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Thomas	India	Speared
Bartholomew	India	Flayed & crucified
Andrew	Ukraine, Russia, Greece	Hanged

# c) Acts 5:32 Witnesses

i. Apostolic (32a)

ii. Holy Spirit (32b)


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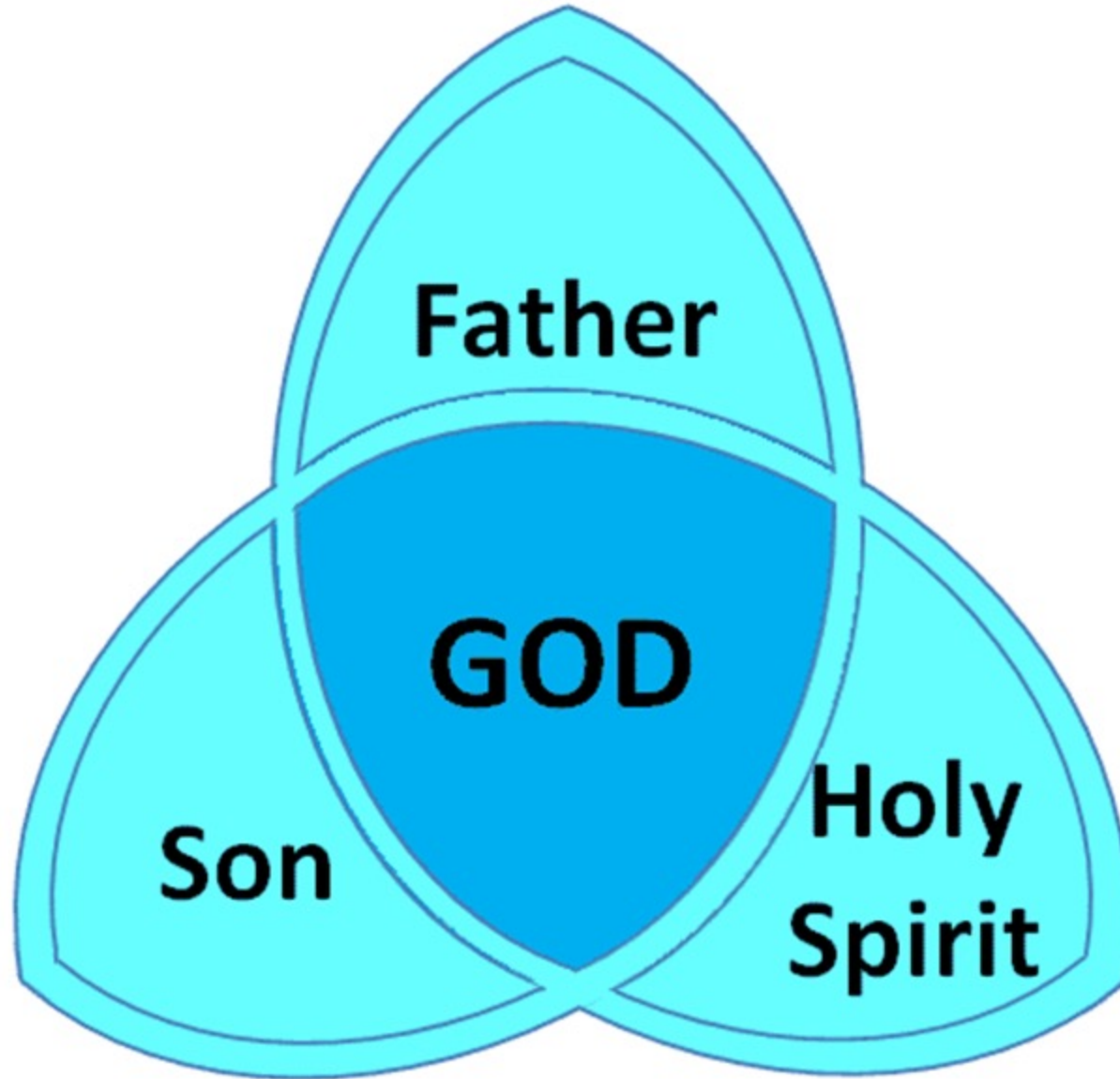
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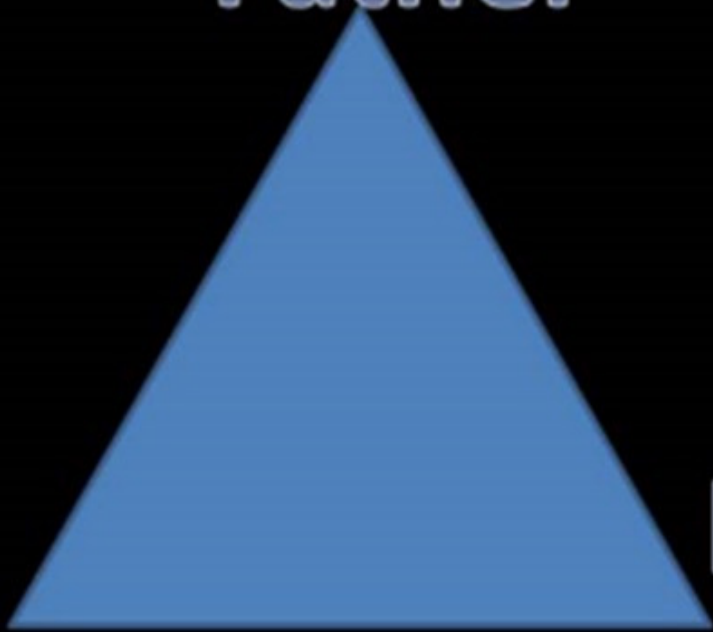
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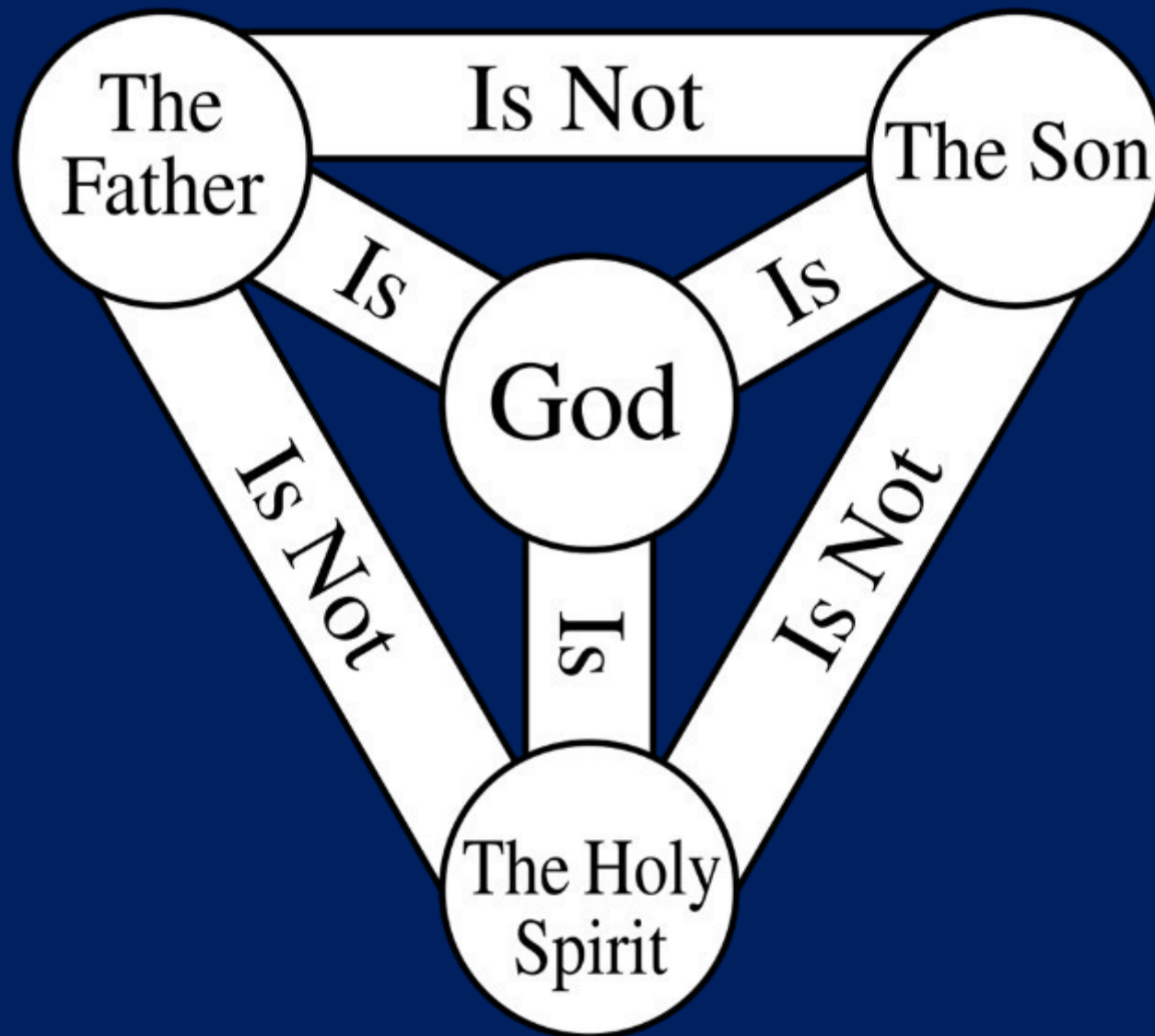
Son

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Spirit



# Trinity





## John 3:36

<sup>36</sup> “The one who believes in the Son has eternal life; but the one who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.”



## John 14:16-17

<sup>16</sup> I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; <sup>17</sup> *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.









## John 16:7–11

<sup>7</sup> “But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. <sup>8</sup> “And He, when He comes, will **convict** the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; <sup>9</sup> concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; <sup>10</sup> and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; <sup>11</sup> and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.



# 4. Acts 5:33

## Sanhedrin's Reaction

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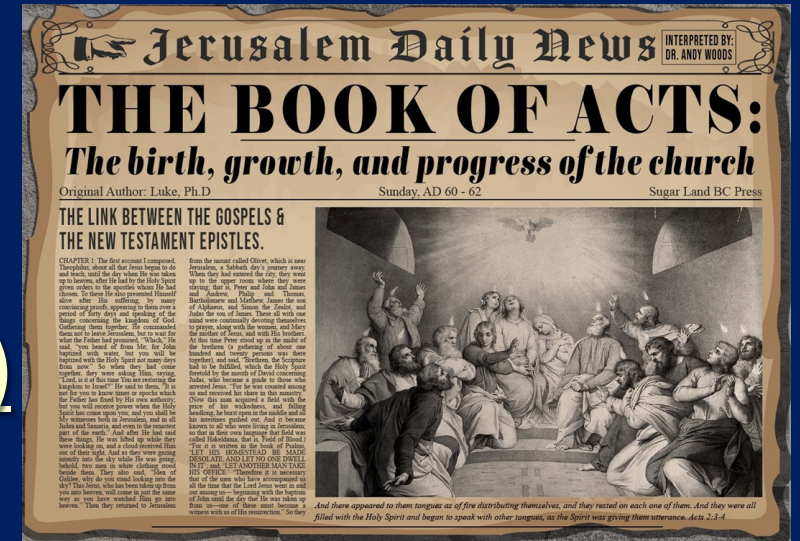
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## 2. Acts 5:35-39

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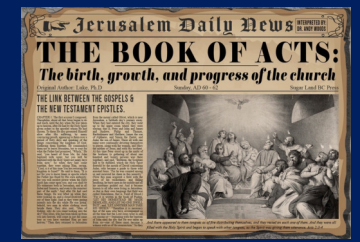




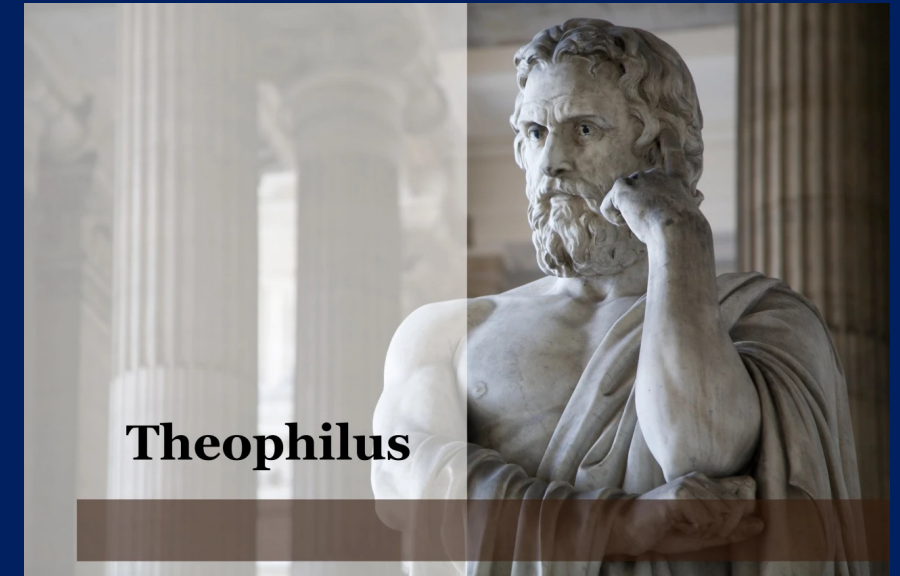




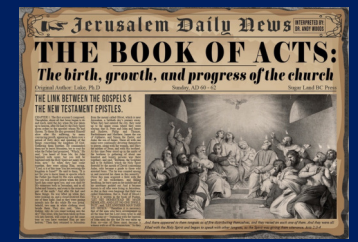
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# Message



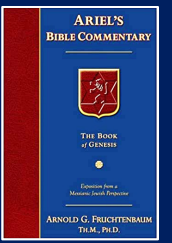
- Birth and growth of the church numerically, geographically, ethnically.
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  - Geographically (From Jerusalem to Rome)
  - Ethnically (From Judaism to Gentile domination)





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*The Book of Acts, 143*



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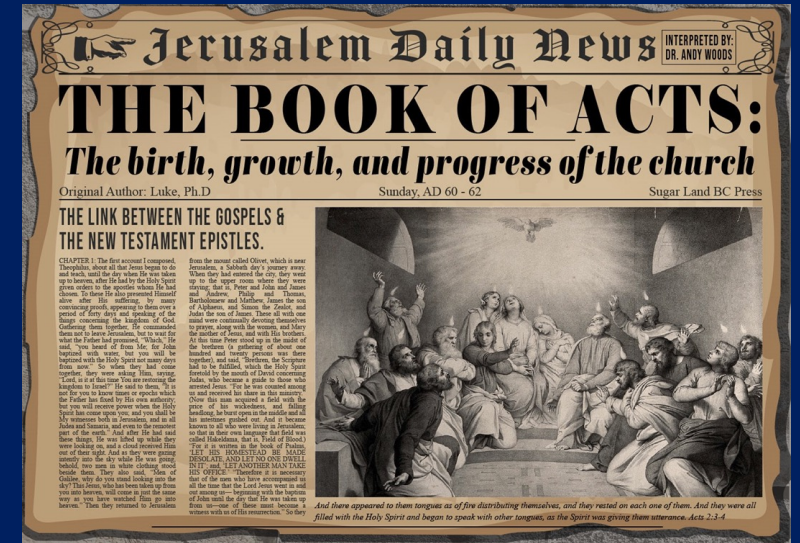


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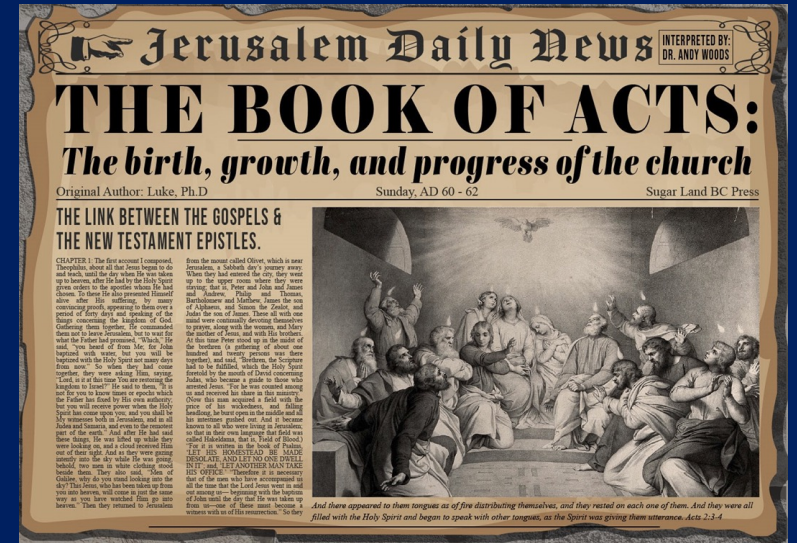
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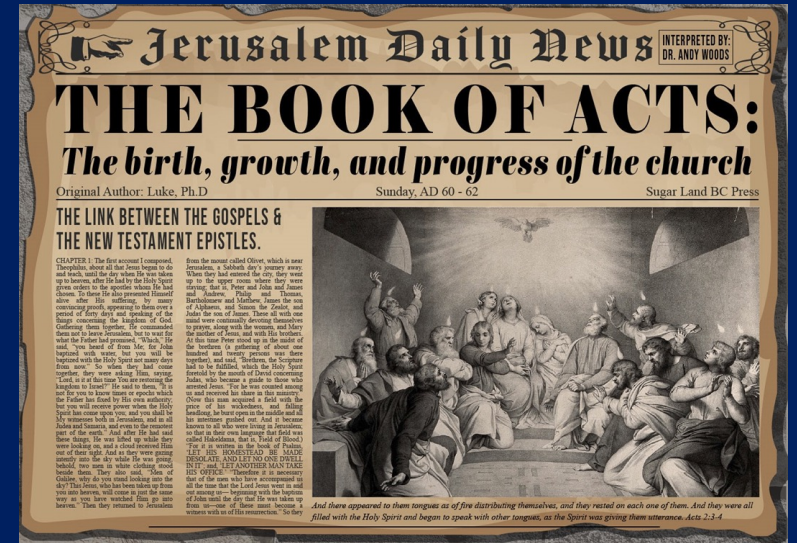




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## Apostles

a) Joy (41)

b) Zeal (42)

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Conclusion

# Acts 5:12-42

## Church's Second Persecution

- I. Apostles' Power (5:12-16)
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