

"Get in the Word"

Lesson 29 of 94

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Christian History- Timeline of the Later Years

Lesson #4

The Timeline of the Later Years (After Christ)

History is separated into B.C. (before Christ) and A.D. (after Christ's death). The Cross of Christ literally separates time! Nations have been shaped and founded by Christian beliefs. Europe was changed because of the Martin Luther's Reformation. Preachers of righteousness fanned the flames of world-wide revival during the Great Awakening. The practical emphasis of missions was the spread of the message of Christ that influenced society's values such as healthcare, women's rights, and the end of slavery. America was founded because of the desire for the freedom to practice their Christian religious beliefs. Even the "Pledge of Allegiance" and "In God We Trust" are examples of Christian expression. History reveals that both good and bad things have been done in the name of Christ.

Here are some brief highlights: "A.D."

7-13 (?) - A young Jesus astounds the religious leaders in the Temple with his wisdom.

14 - Augustus dies; Tiberius succeeds him as Roman Emperor.

26- Pontius Pilate becomes Procurator of Judea.

27 - Herod Antipas marries his brother's wife. John the Baptist begins his ministry. Jesus begins His ministry.

29 - John the Baptist beheaded by Herod.

30 - Jesus crucified and resurrected.

30-33 - The Events of Acts chapters 1 - 6.

33 - Steven stoned (Acts 7). The Christians (Acts 8) are swept up in this and are scattered abroad, while the Hebrew Apostles remain in Jerusalem. Phillip preaches the Gospel in "Samaria."

34 - Saul/Paul persecutes the Christians but undergoes conversion, thereafter spending three years in Damascus, eventually becoming the target of an assassination attempt (Acts 9).

44 - Paul and Barnabas minister in Antioch; the term Christian comes to be used there for Believers. James, brother of John, beheaded (Acts 12).

64 - Rome burns; Nero blames the Christians and severe persecution begins.

67 - Peter and Paul martyred by Nero. Mark martyred. (Acts 28).

90-95 - Epistles of 1, 2, 3 John written.

96 - Domitian assassinated. Book of Revelation and Gospel of John written.

400 - Jerome's Vulgate Latin edition and translation of the Bible is published.

432 - St Patrick begins mission in Ireland.

800 - King Charlemagne of the Franks is crowned first Holy Roman Emperor of the West by Pope Leo III.

1000-1300 - Crusades

1205 - Saint Francis of Assisi becomes a hermit, founding the Franciscan order of friars, renounces wealth and begins his ministry

1478 - Spanish Inquisition established by Pope Sixtus IV

1508-1512 - Michelangelo frescoes the Sistine Chapel's vaulted ceiling

1517 - 95 Theses of Martin Luther begins German Protestant Reformation

1611- King James Version of the Bible (Authorized Version) is released

1684 - Roger Williams (theologian), advocate of Separation of church and state, founder of Providence, Rhode Island

1600-1800 - Isaac Newton, Moravians, John Wesley.

1800-1900 - First camp Meeting, Wilberforce, Moody.

1950 - Billy Graham

And History Continues through the Modern Era.

1. List some important people and events in history (Luke 2:1-7):
2. List some important people and events in history (Acts 24:24-27):

Ever gone bowling? I was on a church league some years ago. I wasn't good at first, but by the end of the season I became a worthy addition to my team.

Score keeping for bowling is interesting. It's a history of your progress through ten frames. Throw a heavy ball at ten pins and try to knock 'em down. It's kind of redneck and destructive. I liked it 😊

Our life is our very own history book. In the end, it won't matter who you knocked down, but who you picked up.



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