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2 Timothy Introduction

The Call to Christian Perseverance

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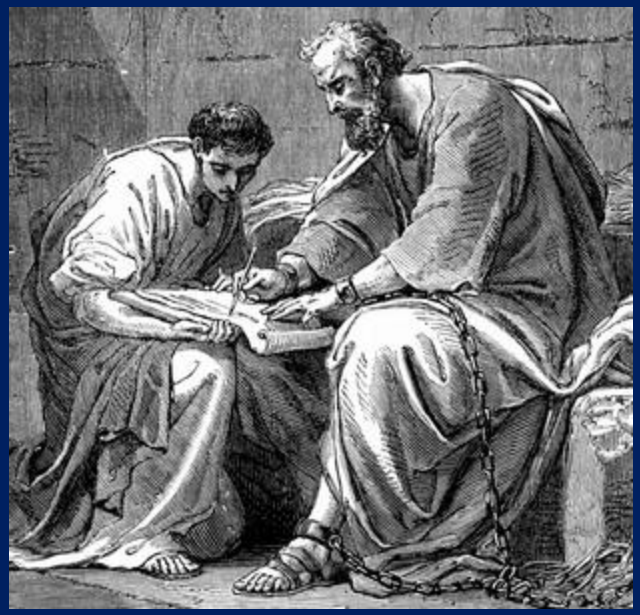
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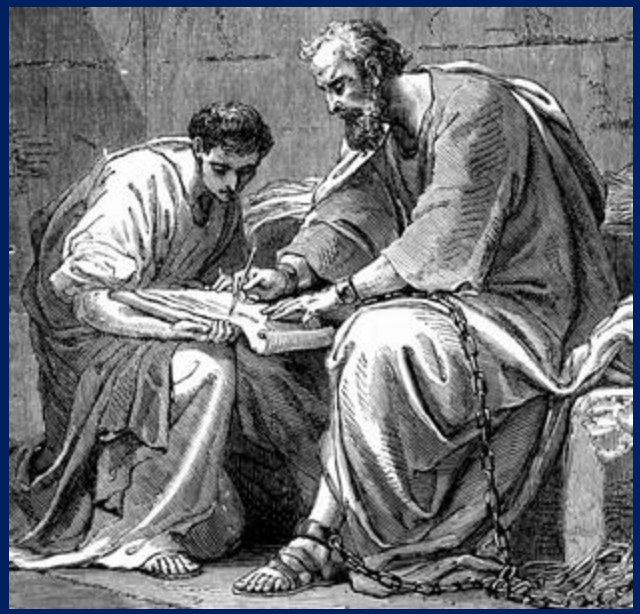
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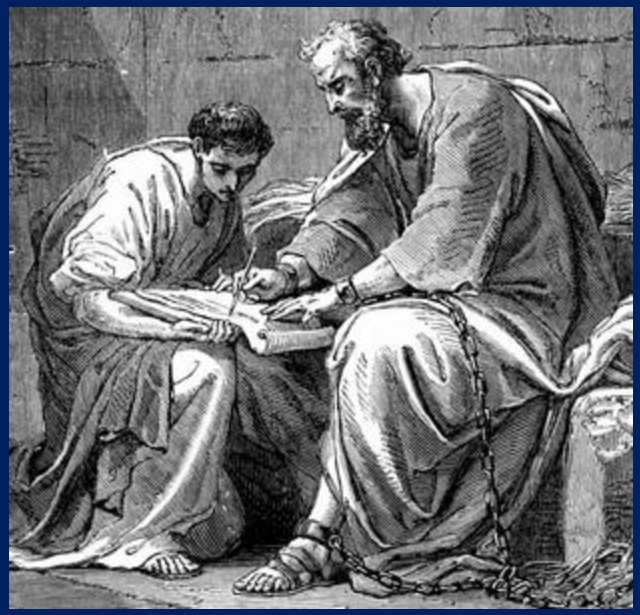
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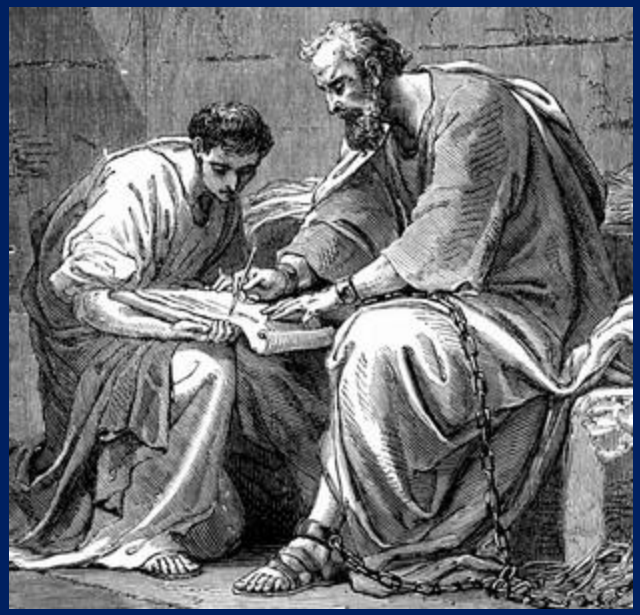
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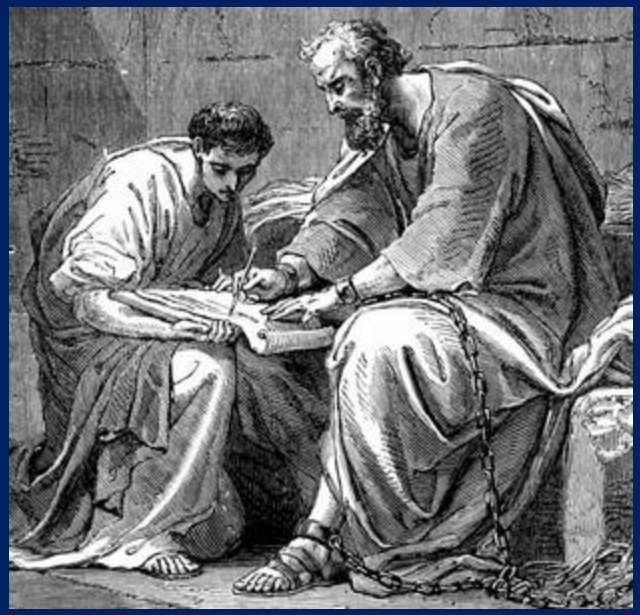
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Timothy's Biography

- From Lystra, Greek father and Jewish mother (Acts 16:1)
- From a Godly home (2 Tim 1:5; 3:15)
- Converted by Paul (1 Tim 1:2) during visit to Lystra (Acts 14:6-23) on the first missionary journey
- Active in Paul's second (Acts 16:1-3; 16–18) and third (Acts 19:22; 20:1-5) missionary journeys
- Put in charge at church in Ephesus (1 Tim 1:3)

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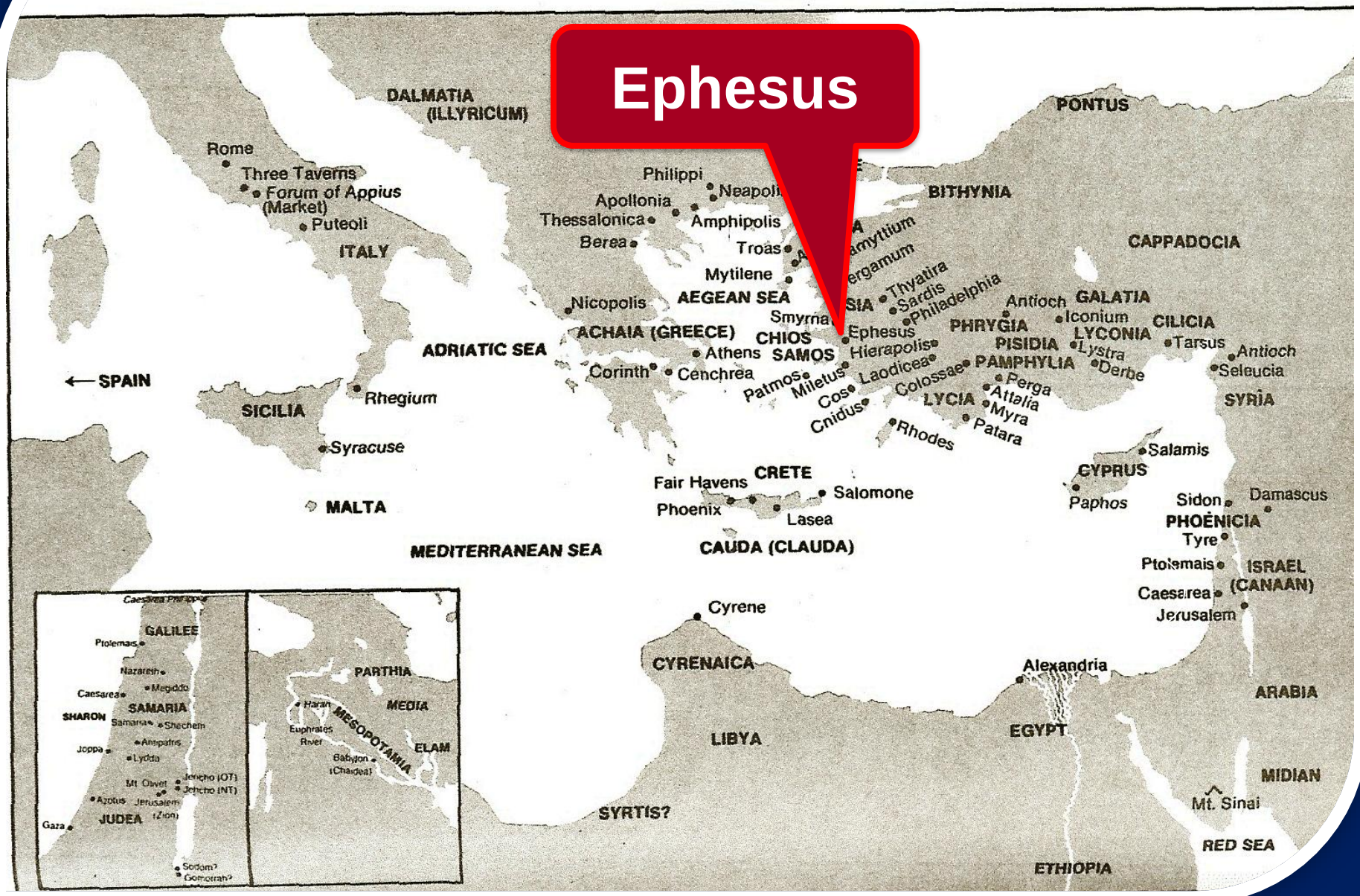
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The 7 Churches in Revelation
Rev. 1: 11
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BITHYNIA
MYSIA
AEGEAN SEA
ASIA
Pergamum
Thyatira
Smyrna
Sardis
Philadelphia
PHRYGIA
Ephesus
Laodicea
Patmos
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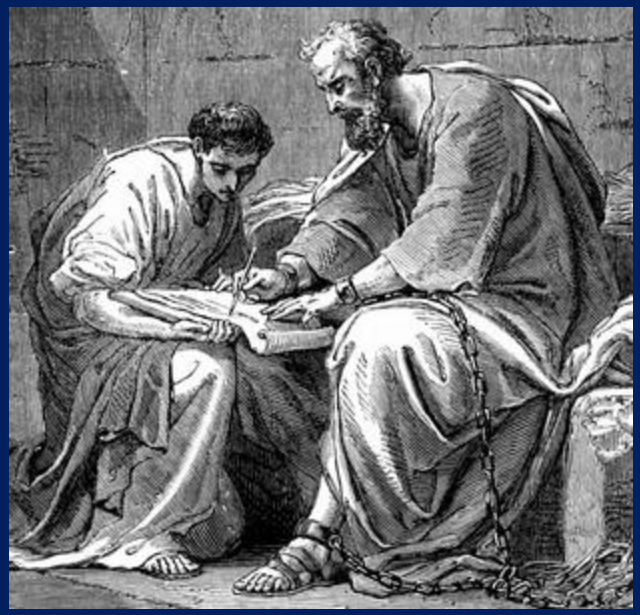
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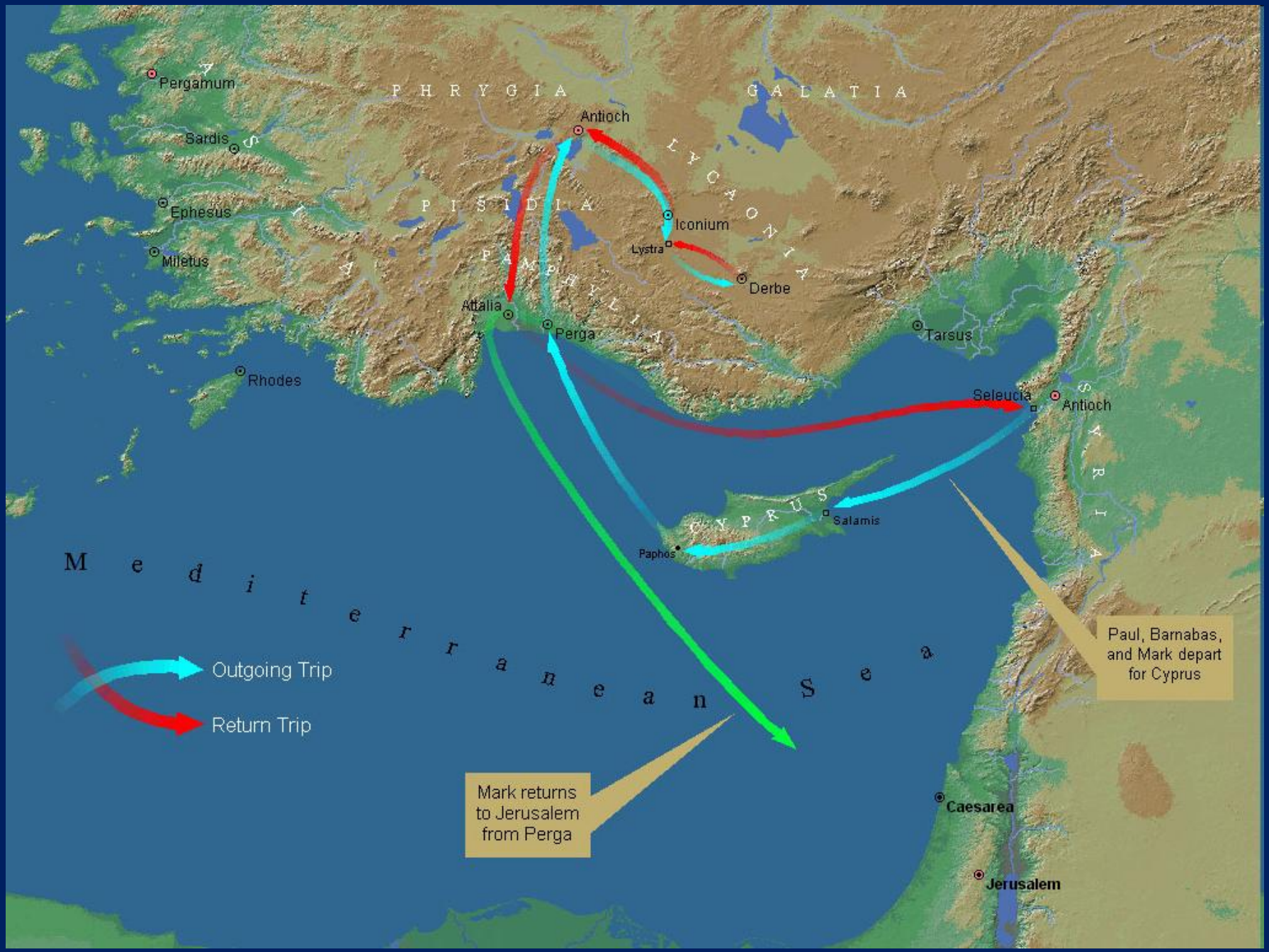
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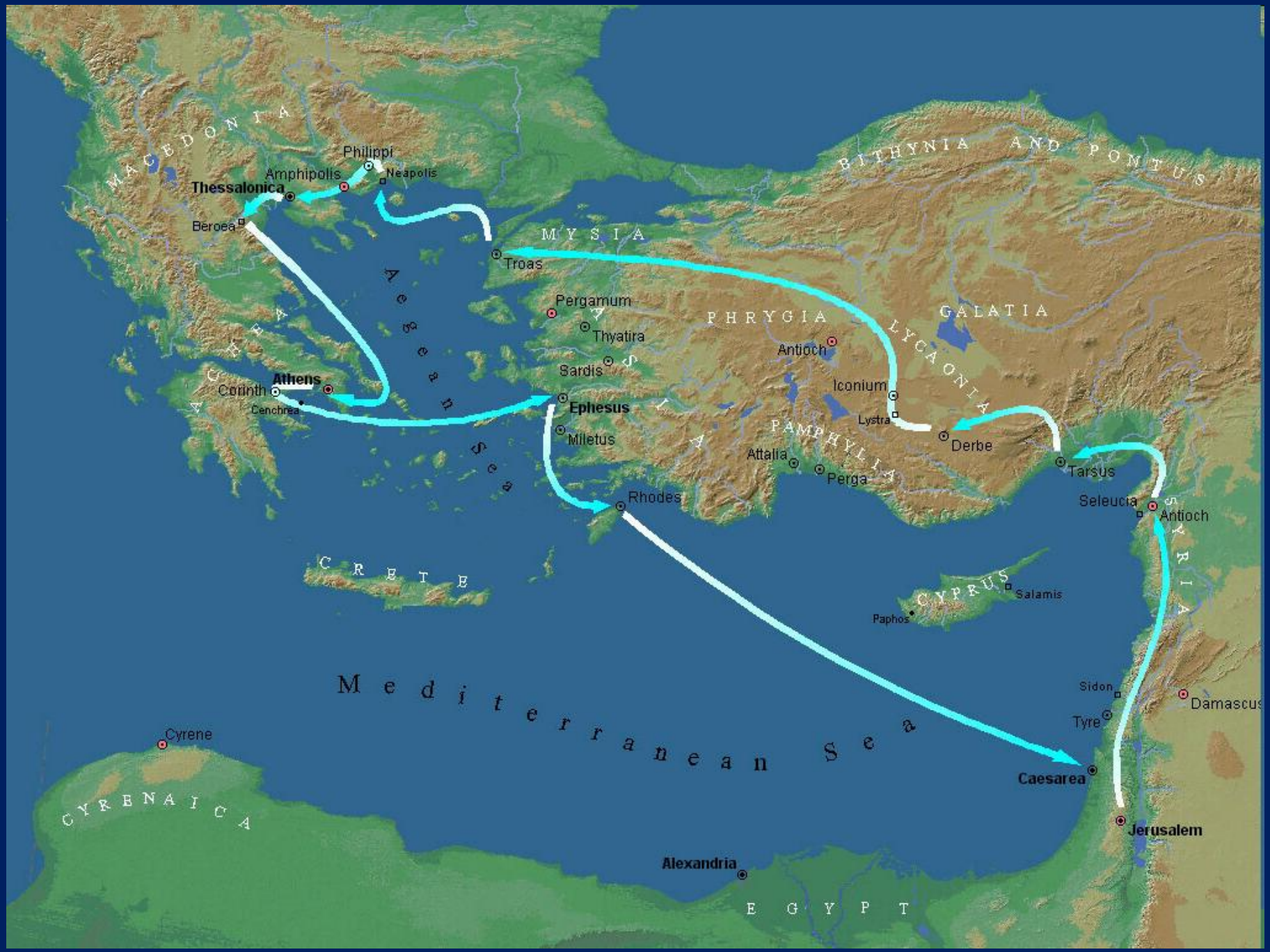
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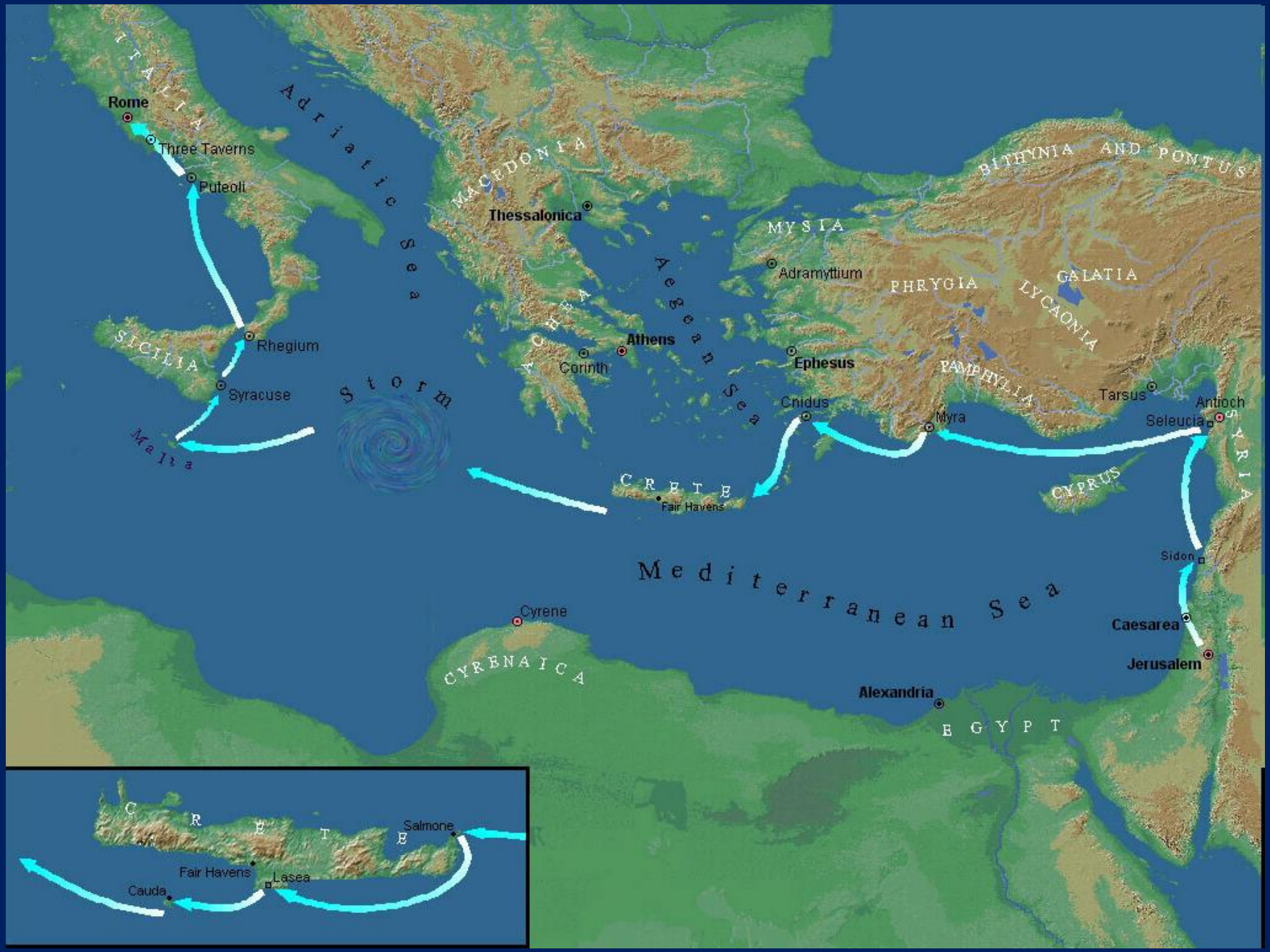
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Ephesus
PISIDIA
Iconium
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Miletus
PAMPHYLIA
Derbe
Attalia
Perga
Tarsus
Rhodes
Seleucia
Antioch
SYRIA
CYPRUS
Salamis
Paphos
Mediterranean Sea
Outgoing Trip
Return Trip
Paul, Barnabas, and Mark depart for Cyprus
Mark returns to Jerusalem from Perga
Caesarea
Jerusalem


MACEDONIA
Philippi
Amphipolis
Neapolis
Thessalonica
Beroea
BITHYNIA AND PONTUS
MYSIA
Troas
Aegean Sea
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Paul's Ministry Chronology

# of books	Journey	Acts	Date	Books
1	1	13–14	48–49	Gal
2	2	15:36–18:22	50–52	1–2 Thess
3	3	18:23–21:17	53–57	1–2 Cor, Rom
4	4	28:16-31	60–62	Eph, Col, Phlm, Phlp
2	Between imprisonments	Post Acts	62–66	1 Tim, Titus
1	2nd imprisonment	Post Acts	67	2 Tim

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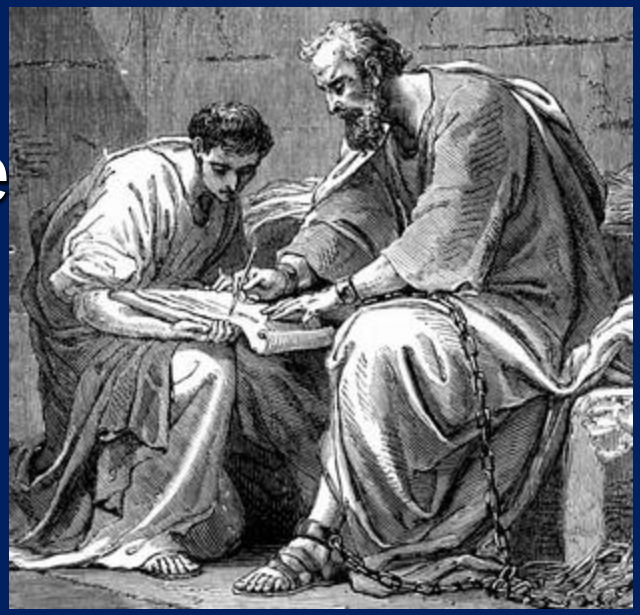
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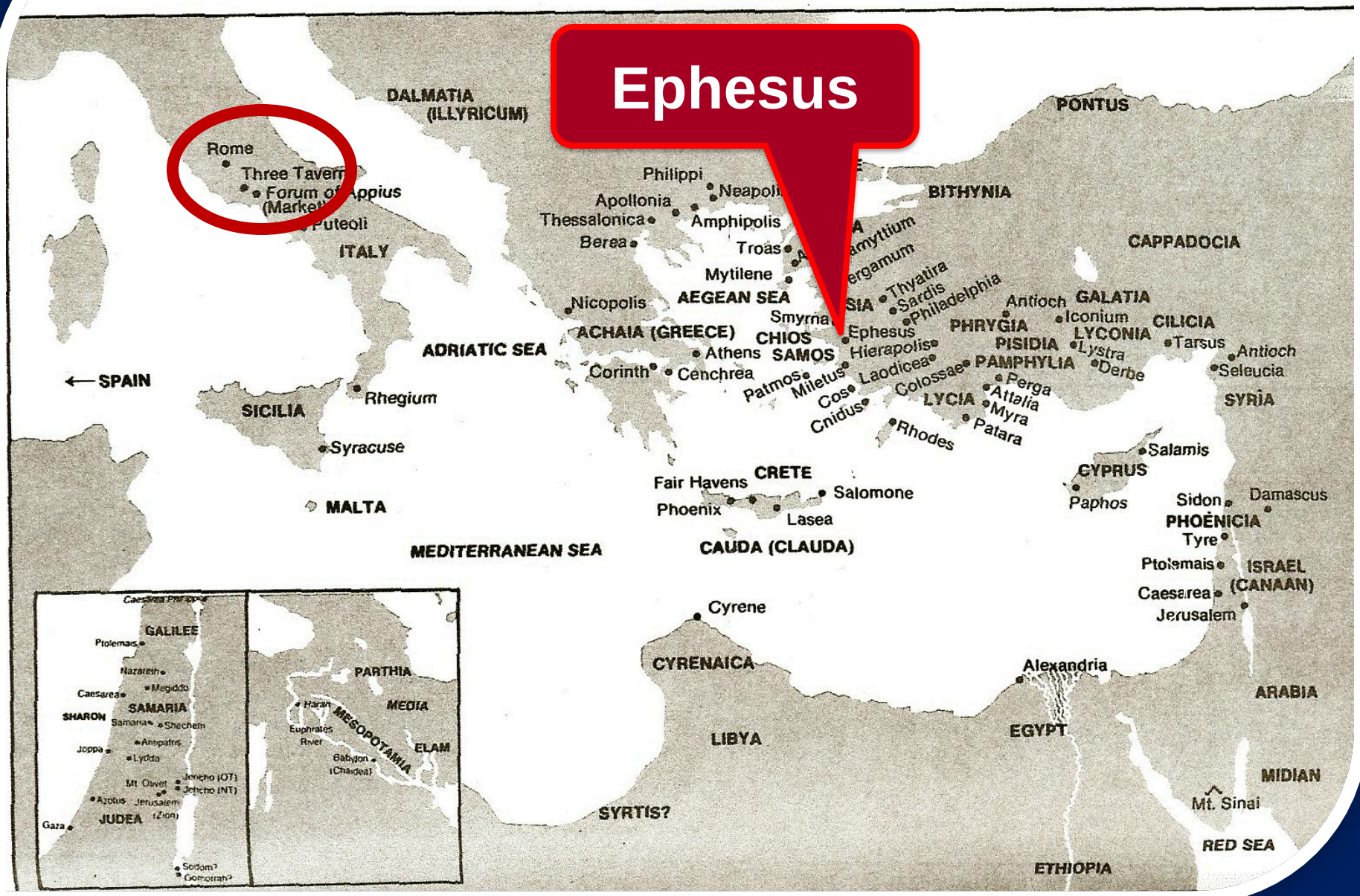
Paul's Two Roman Imprisonments Contrasted

- **First Imprisonment (Acts 28:16-31)**
- Wrote prison epistles
- Religious charges
- Local and sporadic persecutions (AD 60-63)
- Decent conditions (house)
- Many friends
- Evangelistic opportunities
- Optimistic for release (Phil 1:24-26)

- **Second Imprisonment (2 Tim)**
- Wrote 2 Timothy
- Political charges
- Neronian persecution (AD 64-68)
- Poor conditions (dungeon)
- Virtually alone
- Opportunities restricted
- Execution anticipated (2 Tim 4:6)

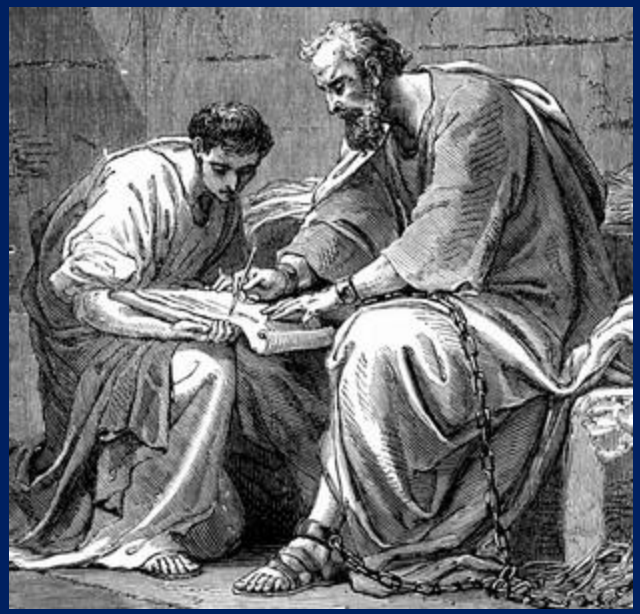
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Occasion for Writing

- Timothy's non assertiveness
  - Core makeup: youthful (1 Tim 4:12), sickly (1 Tim 5:23), timid (2 Tim 1:7)
  - Neronian persecution (2 Tim 4:9-11)
  - Paul's arrest (2 Tim 1:8)
  - Persecution within the church (2:18; 3:1-13; 4:3-4)
- Paul's imminent death (2 Tim 4:6)
- Next generation?


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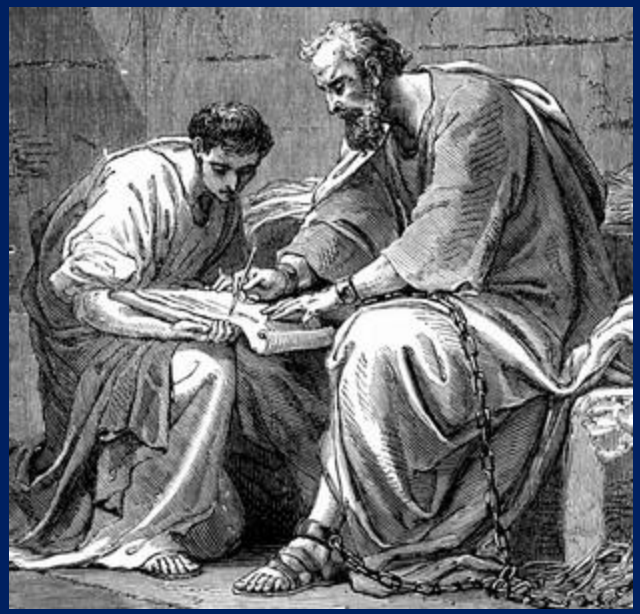
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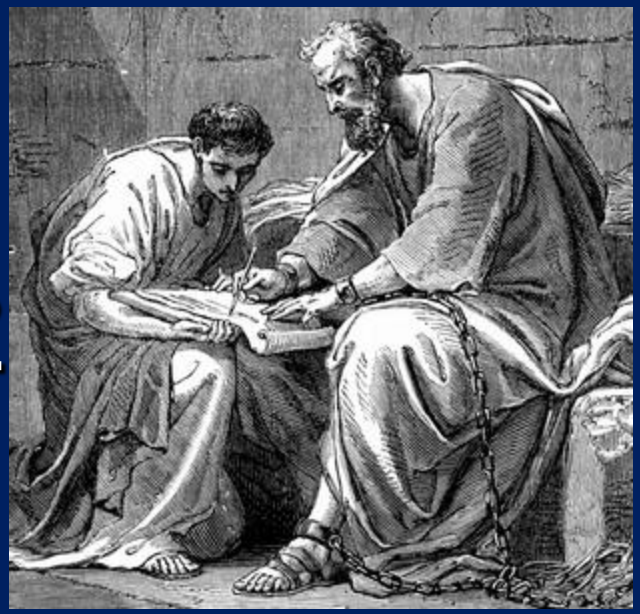
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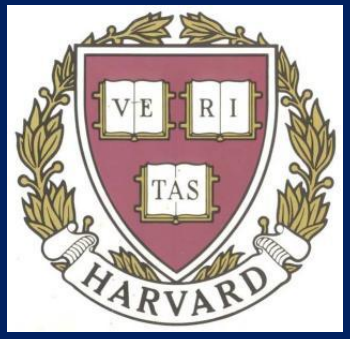
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Harvard University



"Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well the main end of his life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life (John 17:3) and therefore to lay Christ in the bottom as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. And seeing the Lord only giveth wisdom, let everyone seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek it of Him (Prov. 2, 3). Everyone shall exercise himself in reading the Scriptures twice a day that he shall be ready to give such an account of his proficiency therein."

Rules of Harvard in 1636; quoted in David Barton, *Original Intent*, 81




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Yesterday was the first time she said people wanted lungs.
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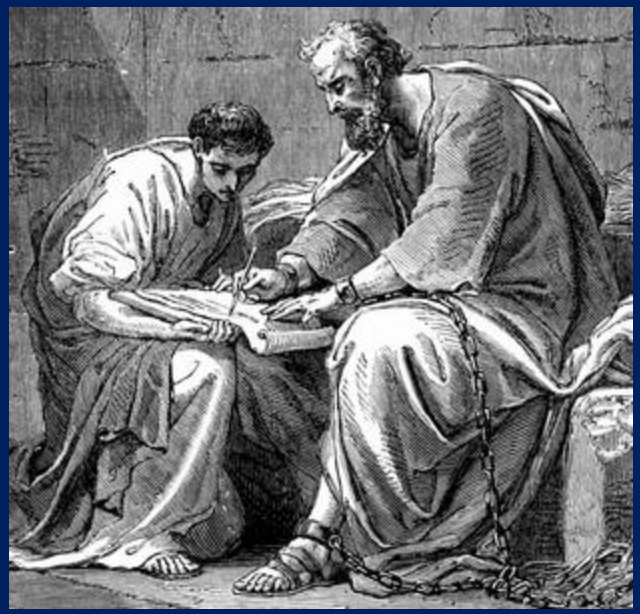
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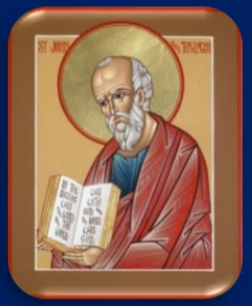


Unique Characteristics

- Pastoral letter
- Personal rather than theological
- Paul’s last will and testament

Conclusion

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3) To whom was it written? - Timothy
4) When was it written? - A.D. 67
5) Where was it written from? - Rome
6) Why was it written? – Timothy's timidity
7) What is it about? – Perseverance
8) What is inside (outline)? - 4 part outline
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