

# THE BOOK OF ACTS:

## The birth, growth, and progress of the church

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### THE LINK BETWEEN THE GOSPELS & THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLES.

CHAPTER 1: The first account I composed, Theophilus, about all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up to heaven, after He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles whom He had chosen. To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God. Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me, for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now. So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, "Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority; 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." And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem

from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went up to the upper room where they were staying; that is, Peter and John and James and Andrew, 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 mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers. At this time Peter stood up in the midst of the brethren (a gathering of about one hundred and twenty persons was there together), and said, "Brethren, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit foretold by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 'For he was counted among us and received his share in this ministry.' (Now this man acquired a field with the price of his wickedness, and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his intestines gushed out. And it became known to all who were living in Jerusalem; so that in their own language that field was called Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 'For it is written in the book of Psalms, 'LET HIS HOMESTEAD BE MADE DESOLATE, AND LET NO ONE DWELL IN IT'; and 'LET ANOTHER MAN TAKE HIS OFFICE.' Therefore it is necessary that of the men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us—beginning with the baptism of John until the day that He was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection." So they



And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance. Acts 2:3-4



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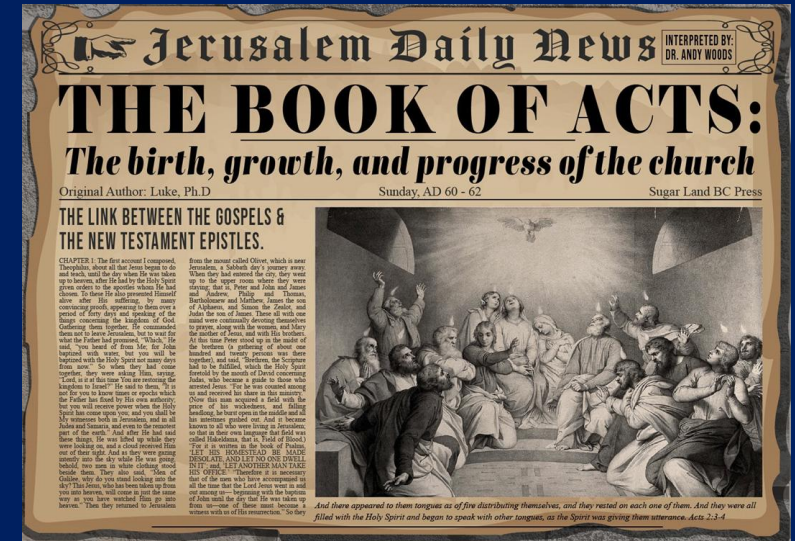
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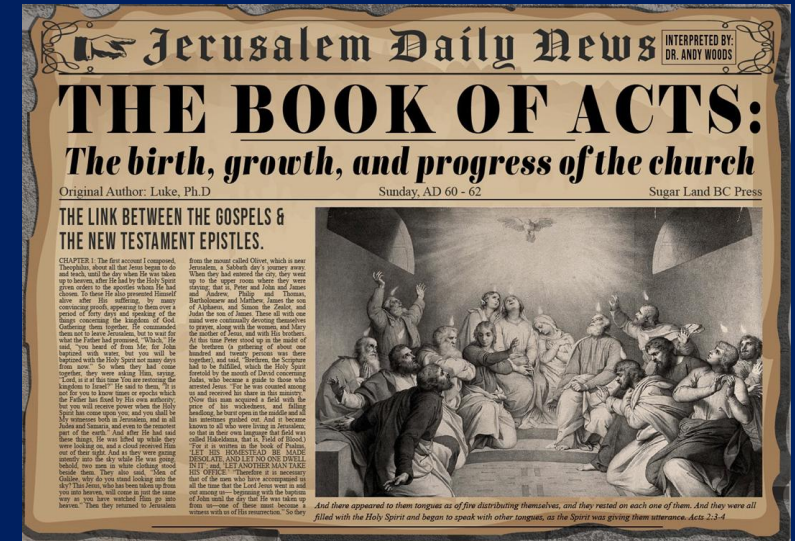


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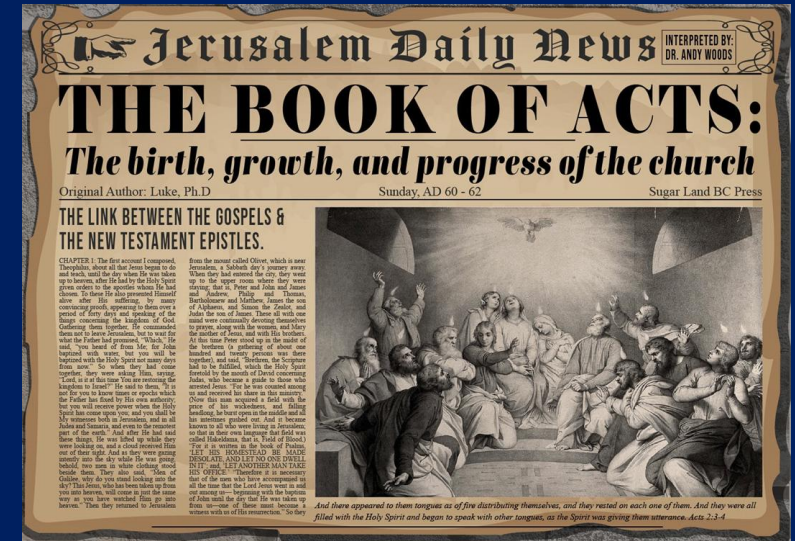
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B. Encounter with the lame man (2-3)

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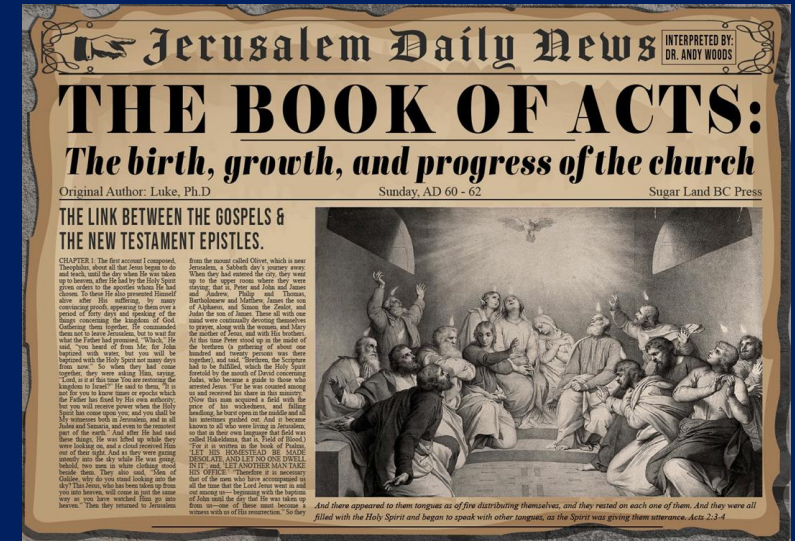


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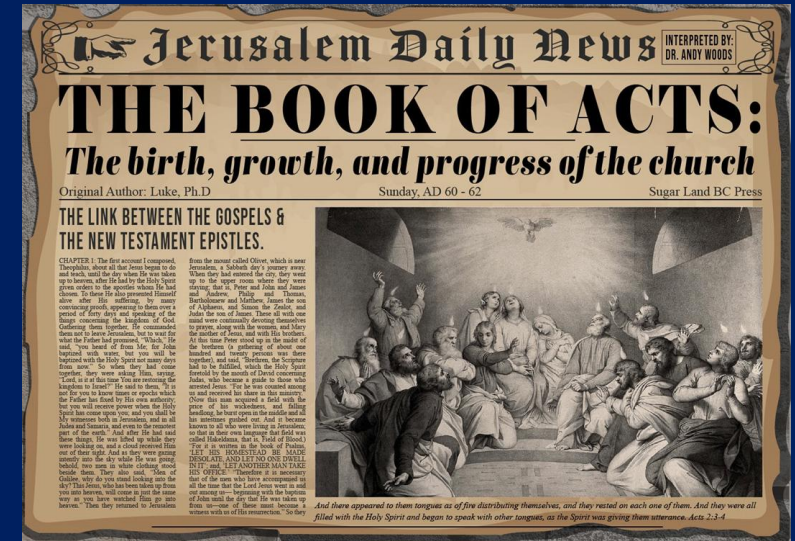


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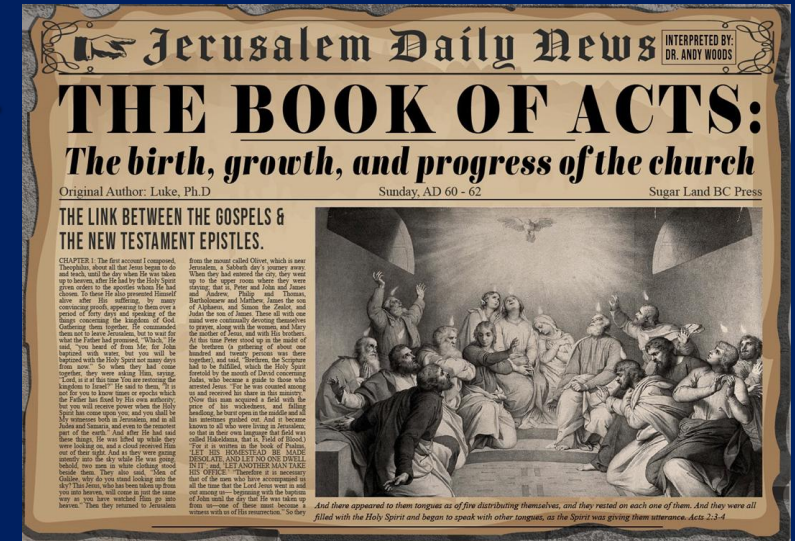


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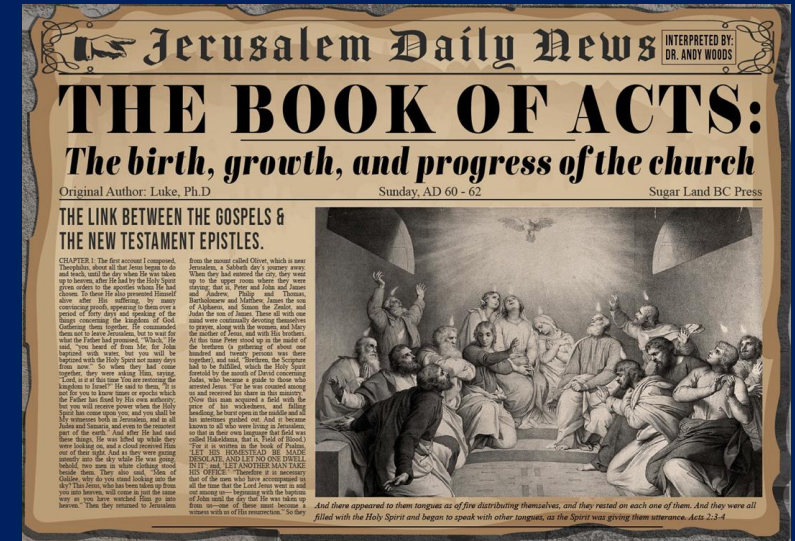
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2. Rejection (13-15)
3. Jesus Responsible for the Healing (16)
4. Conclusion (17-18)

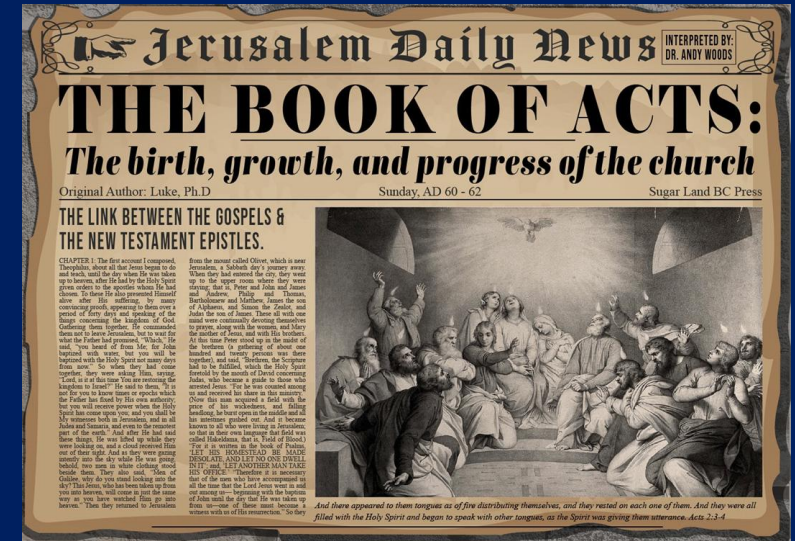


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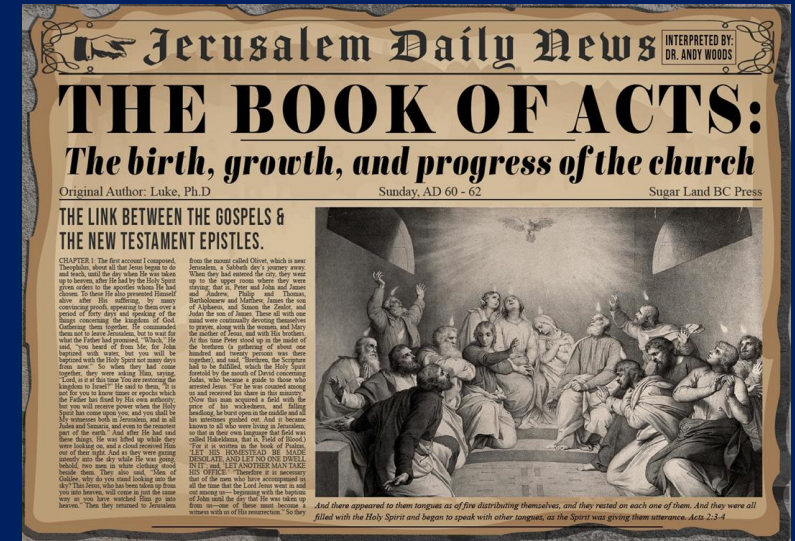
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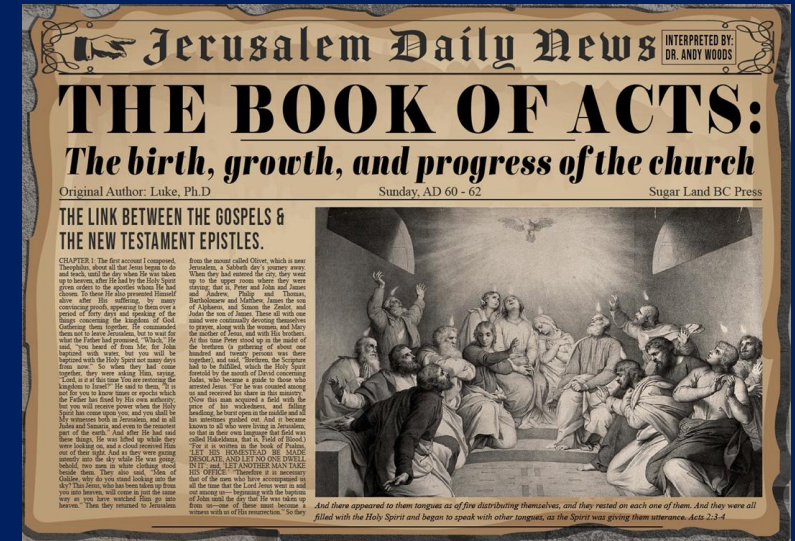
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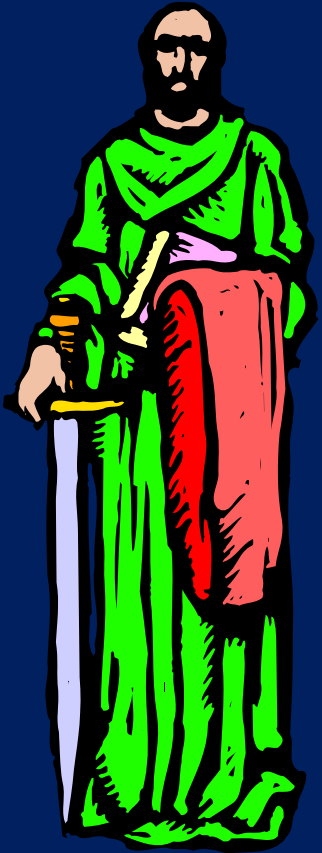
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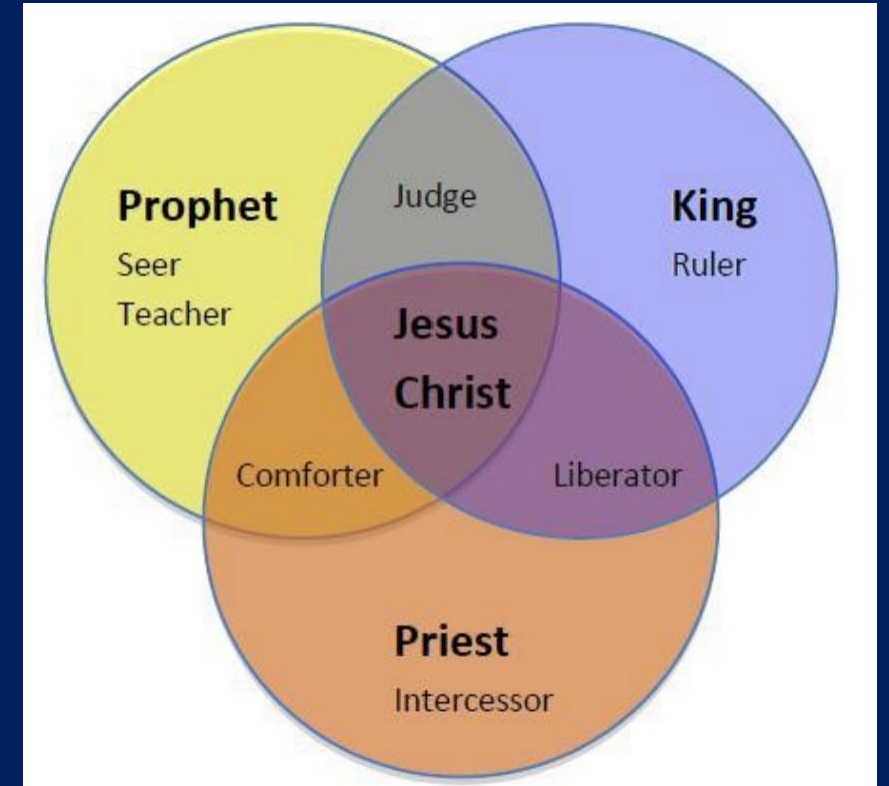
- a) Salvation (19b)
- b) Kingdom (19c)
- c) Second Advent (20)
- d) Termination of Present Session (21)



# CHRIST'S THREE OFFICES



- Prophet (First Coming)
- Priest (Present Session)
- King (Second Coming)



## Isaiah 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> “The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.<sup>2</sup> Now it will come about that In the last days The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains, And will be raised above the hills; And all the nations will stream to it.<sup>3</sup> And many peoples will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; . . .



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. . .That He may teach us concerning His ways And that we may walk in His paths.” For the law will go forth from Zion And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.<sup>4</sup> And He will judge between the nations, And will render decisions for many peoples; And they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will they learn war.”



## Isaiah 11:6-9

<sup>6</sup> “And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, And the leopard will lie down with the young goat, And the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little boy will lead them.<sup>7</sup> Also the cow and the bear will graze, Their young will lie down together, And the lion will eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup> The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, And the weaned child will put his hand on the viper’s den. <sup>9</sup> They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, **For the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord**  
**As the waters cover the sea.**”



## Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup> “For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former things will not be remembered or come to mind.<sup>18</sup> “But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; For behold, I create Jerusalem for rejoicing And her people *for* gladness.<sup>19</sup> “I will also rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in My people; And there will no longer be heard in her The voice of weeping and the sound of crying.<sup>20</sup> “No longer will there be in it an infant *who lives but a few* days, Or an old man who does not live out his days; **For the youth will die at the age of one hundred** And the one who does not . . .



## Isaiah 65:17-25

...reach the age of one hundred Will be *thought* **accursed**.<sup>21</sup> “They will build houses and inhabit *them*; They will also plant vineyards and eat their fruit.<sup>22</sup> “They will not build and another inhabit, They will not plant and another eat; For as the **lifetime of a tree**, so will be the days of My people, And My chosen ones will **wear out the work of their hands**.<sup>23</sup> “They will not labor in vain, Or bear *children* for calamity; For they are the offspring of those blessed by the LORD, And their descendants...



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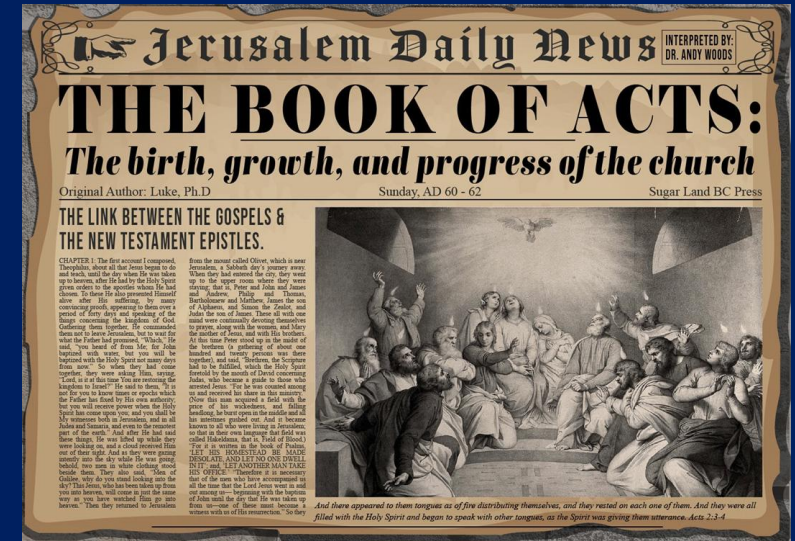
...with them.<sup>24</sup> It will also come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear.<sup>25</sup> **The wolf and the lamb will graze together**, and **the lion will eat straw like the ox**; and dust will be the serpent's food. They will do no evil or harm in all My holy mountain," says the LORD.



## B. Acts 3:19-26

### Israel's Responsibility

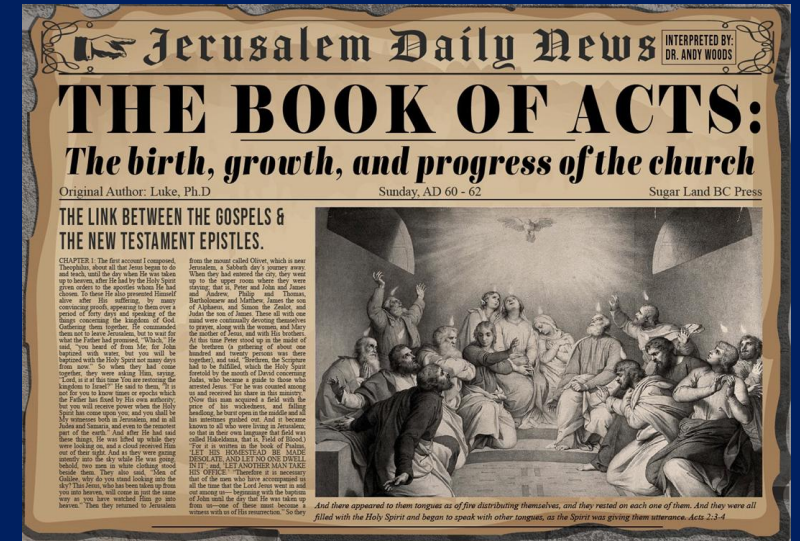
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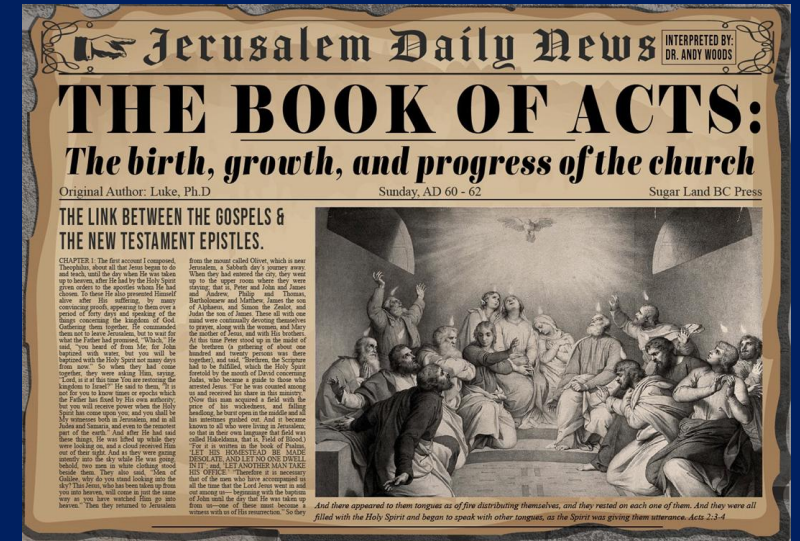
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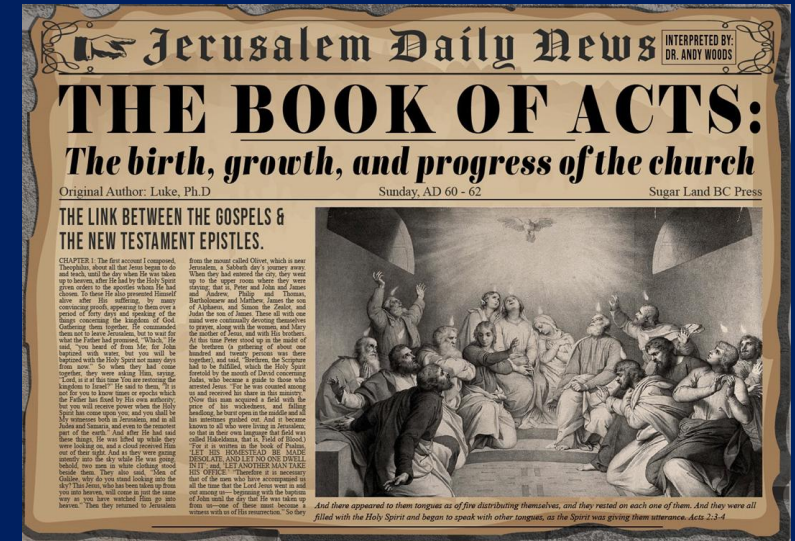
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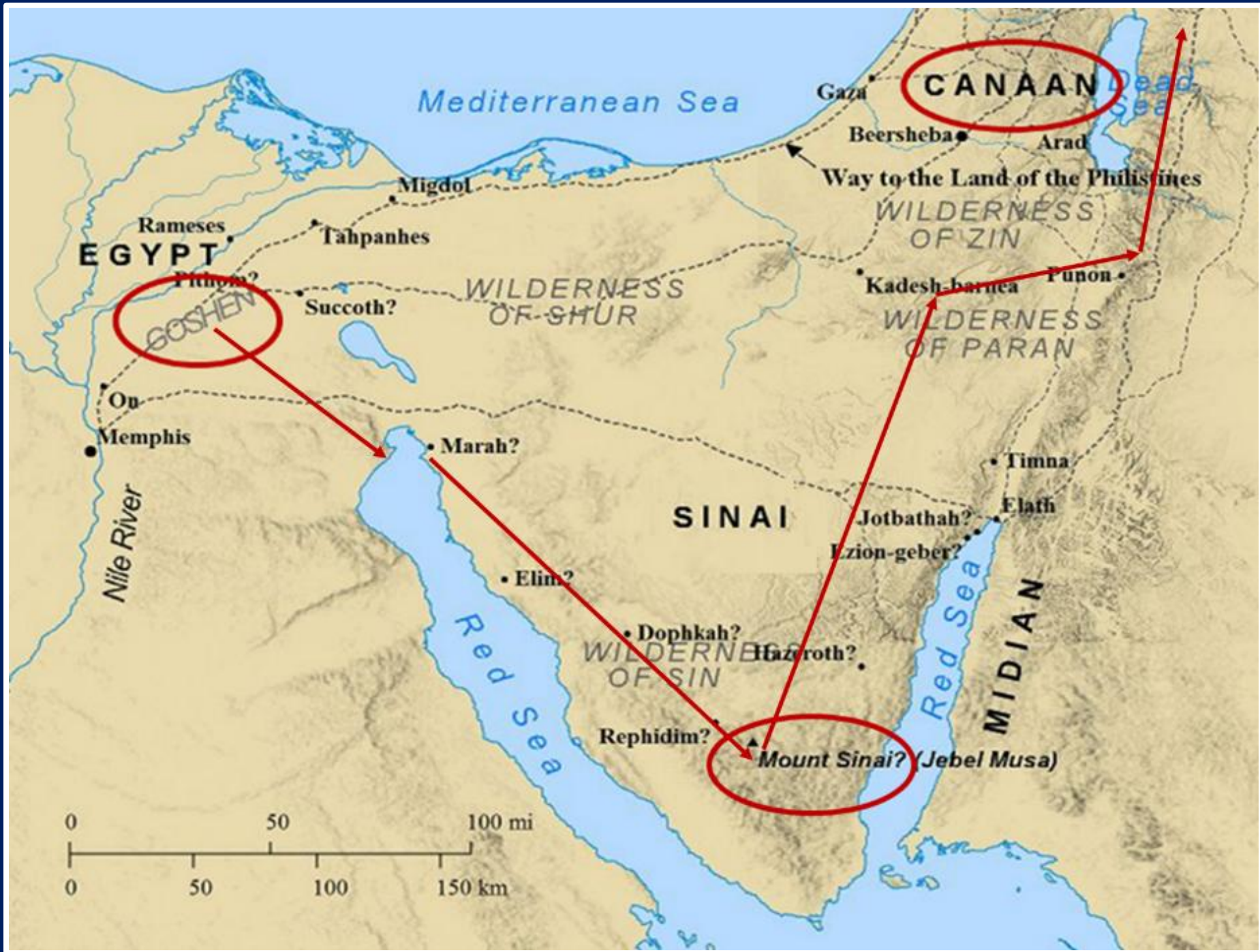
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## Deuteronomy 28:49-50

<sup>49</sup> “The Lord will bring a nation against you from afar, from the end of the earth, as the eagle swoops down, a nation whose language you shall not understand, <sup>50</sup> a nation of fierce countenance who will have no respect for the old, nor show favor to the young.”



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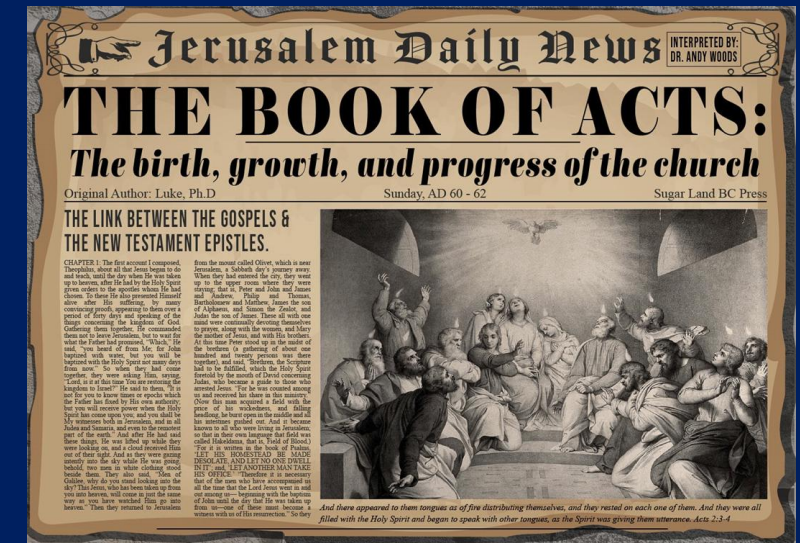
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## Luke 24:27, 44

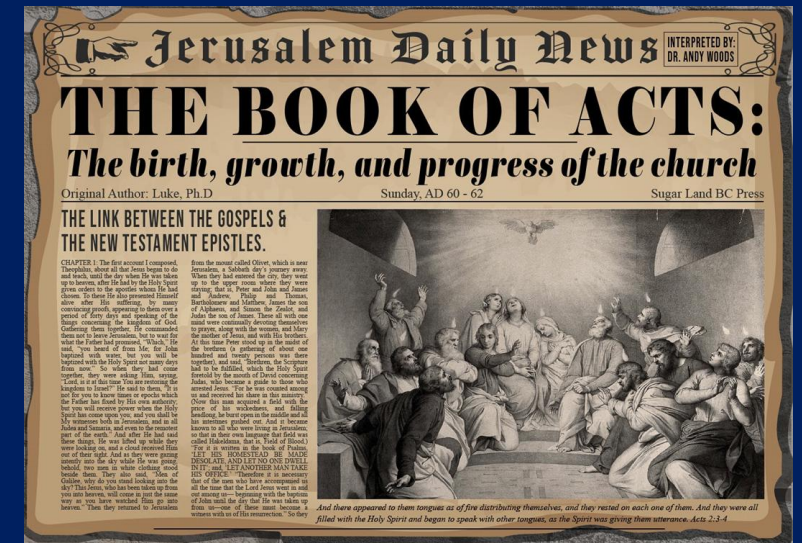
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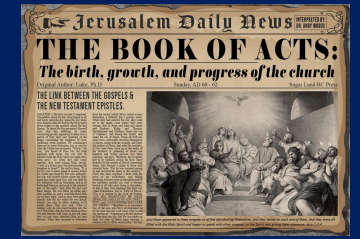
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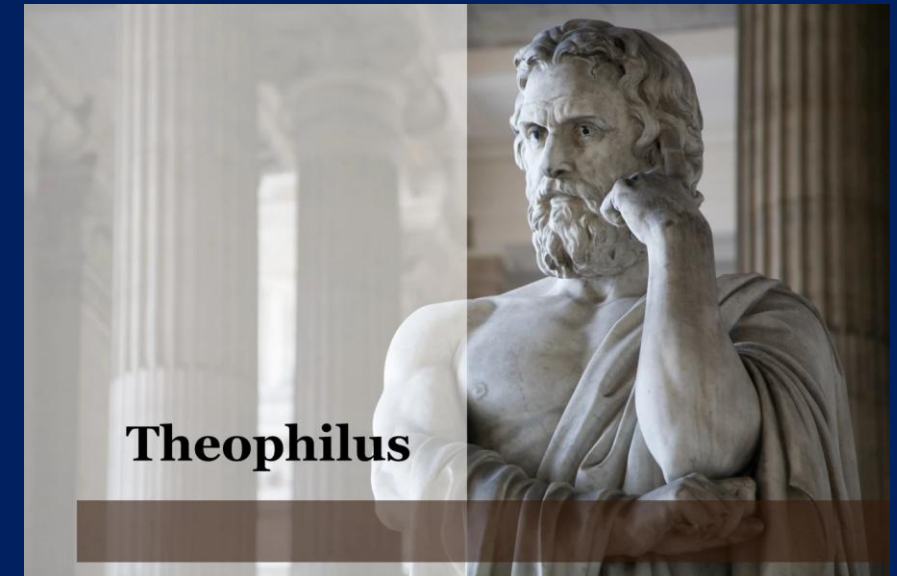
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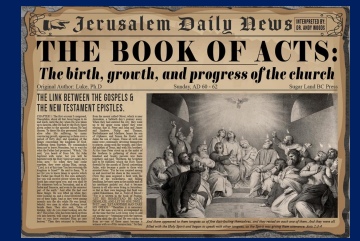
# Purpose



- To present Theophilus with an orderly account of the birth and growth of the church so as to affirm him in what he has believed.



# Message



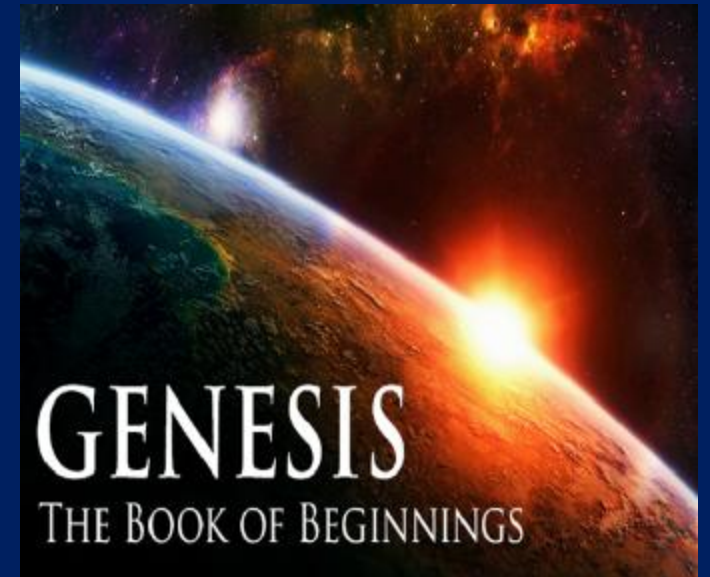
- Birth and growth of the church numerically, geographically, ethnically.
- Components
  - Numerically (progress reports)
  - Geographically (From Jerusalem to Rome)
  - Ethnically (From Judaism to Gentile domination)



# 8 New Promises

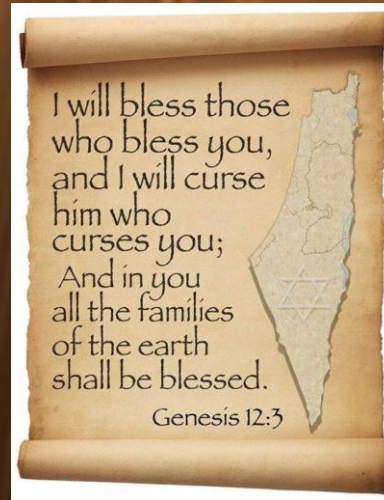
Genesis 12:1-3

- A. Land (Gen. 12:1b)
- B. Great nation (Gen. 12:2a)
- C. Personal blessing (Gen. 12:2b)
- D. Great name (Gen. 12:2c)
- E. Blessing to others (Gen. 12:2d)
- F. Blessing to blessers (Gen. 12:3a)
- G. Cursing to cursers (Gen. 12:3b)
- H. **Blessing to the world (Gen. 12:3c)**



## Genesis 12:3

“And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.”





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# Messengers of the Kingdom In Matthew



- John the Baptist – 3:2
- Jesus Christ – 4:17
- 12 Apostles – 10:5-7
- Seventy – Luke 10:1, 9

## Matthew 10:5-7

“These twelve Jesus sent out after instructing them: “Do not go in *the* way of *the* Gentiles, and do not enter *any* city of the Samaritans; <sup>6</sup> but rather go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’”



## Matthew 15:24

“But He answered and said, ‘I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.’”



# Conclusion

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