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Mark 16:9-20

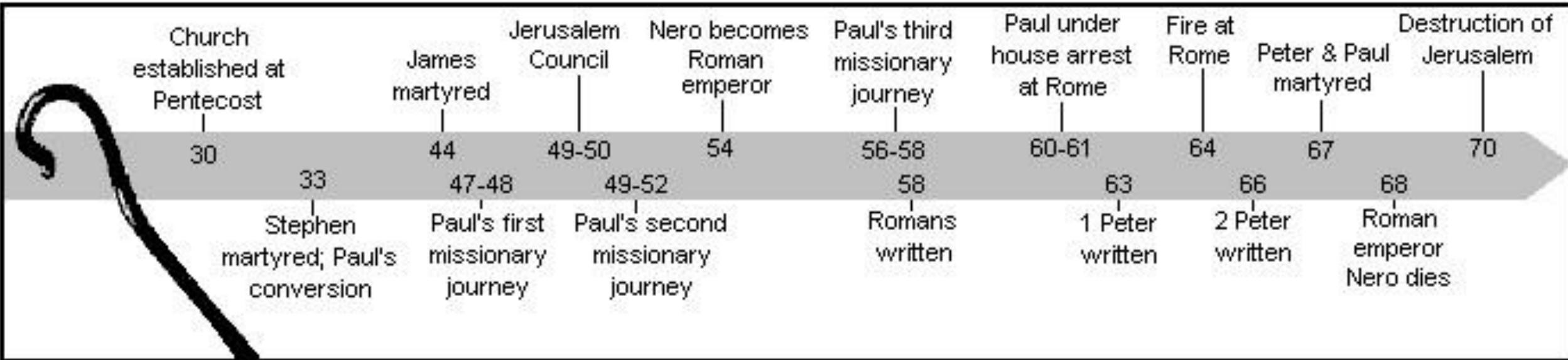
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TIMELINE OF 1 PETER



2 Peter 1:14 “since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me.” (John 21)

***“Nobody ever outgrows
Scripture; the book widens and
deepens with our years.”***

Charles Spurgeon



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16:9 Now after He had risen early on the first day of the week, He first appeared to Mary Magdalene, from whom He had cast out seven demons.

10,11 She went and reported to those who had been with Him, while they were mourning and weeping. When they heard that He was alive and had been seen by her, they refused to believe it.

12 After that, He appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking along on their way to the country.

13 They went away and reported it to the others, but they did not believe them either.

14 Afterward He appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table; and He reproached them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who had seen Him after He had risen.

15 And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

16 He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

17 These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;

18 they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

19 So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.

20 And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed.

Heb 2:4 - God also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders and by various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His own will.

Do We Doubt?

- 2 Timothy 3:16
- 2 Timothy 2:15
- Psalm 119
- Intro of Luke & Acts

***“Beware of reasoning about
God’s Word. Obey it.”***
Oswald Chambers



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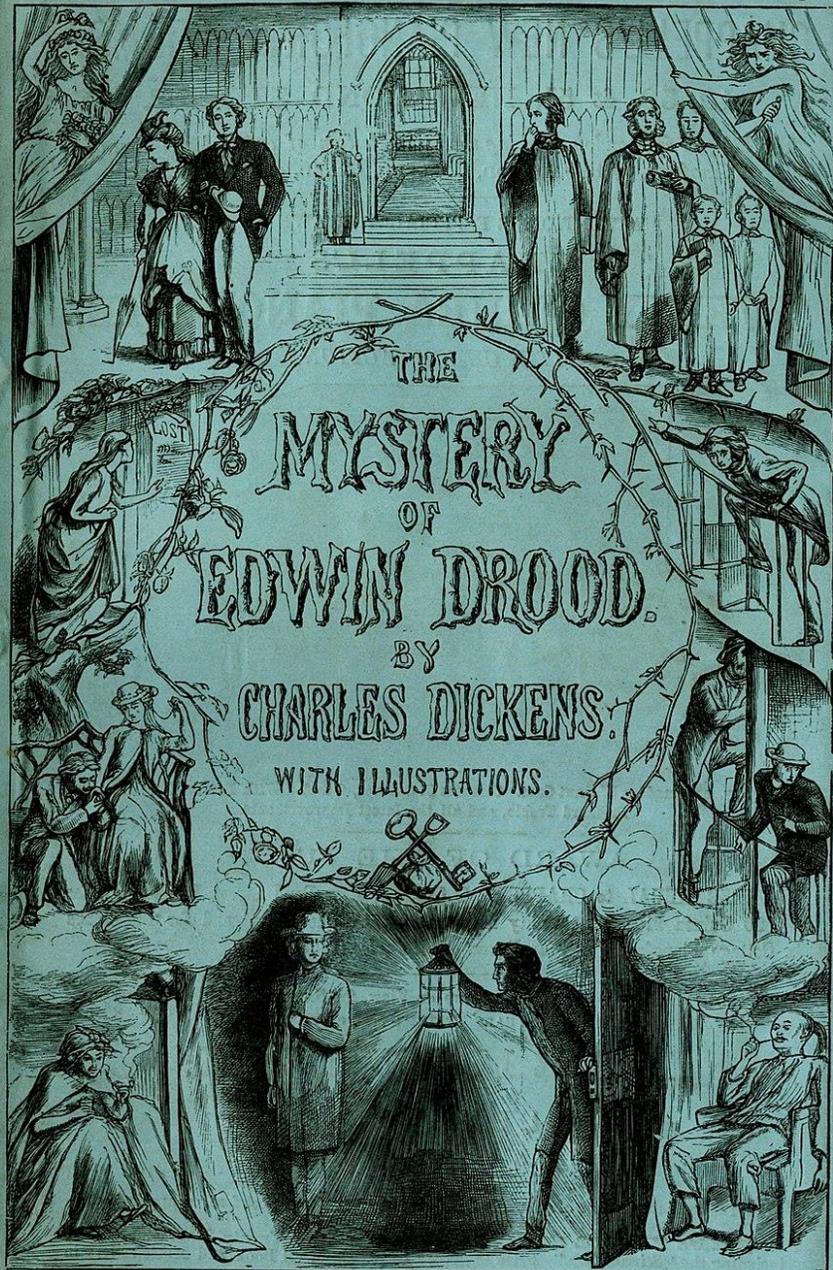
***“It is possible to read the
Bible and know it well
BUT more important
to know the Author!”***



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Do We Find?

- Mark ends as he began
- Mark's ending is unfinished?
- Mark's ending is unedited?
- Mark's ending is repeated!



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of contradictions
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contradicts them!”***



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Do We Follow?

What is gained or lost here?

- Jesus raised
- Jesus appeared
- Jesus questioned
- Jesus on Emmaus
- Jesus Commission
- Jesus Empowered
- Jesus Ascended
- Acts: Paul & Peter

***“The Bible will keep you
from sin, or sin will keep
you from the Bible.”***

DL Moody



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Do We Follow?

What is gained or lost here?

- Hope of the Resurrection - YES
- Great Commission Given - YES
- God's Power to follow us - YES
- Will we obey the clear or waste time questioning the less clear?

***“Imagine the difference
reading a will if you were
a lawyer or an heir!”
(Gal 4:7)***



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