Introduction to Study
Lesson 1

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Purpose of Study

- Establish a chronology of New Testament events (with an emphasis on apostolic "acts" and a history of the New Testament church).
- Correlate New Testament history with Secular history whenever possible. (Helps to show the historical accuracy and dependability of the New Testament).

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- Plot a timeline of events and geographical movements noted in the book of Acts, (example: Paul's Missionary Journeys).

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- Incorporate the dates in which other New Testament books (the epistles) were written.
- Engage in a survey of the book of Acts (verse study).
- Where indicated, engage in special studies, (examples: Baptism; Jew/Gentile relations; Kingdom/Church).

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Materials

- Concise outlines of material, with room for student notes. (This handout is an example). This will be the backbone of the course (as far as course materials).
- Occasional maps, charts, and other supplemental material to each outline will be supplied in the form of handouts.
- PowerPoint presentations with details to flesh out these concise outlines.
- Note: My intent is to record and upload to *soundteaching.org* all study materials regarding this course of study.

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Goals of Study

- Give the student an overview and understanding of New Testament chronology and history.

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- Increase appreciation for the place the Lord's church has in God's scheme of redemption for man.

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- Increase the student's confidence in the historical accuracy, inerrancy and inspiration of the New Testament scriptures.

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- Increase the student's appreciation for the significance of the apostle's work, and the faith of the first century Christians.

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- Establish authority for our religious practices and teachings by appealing to the apostolic examples.

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Student Notes: