



# **Paul, His Life and Teachings**

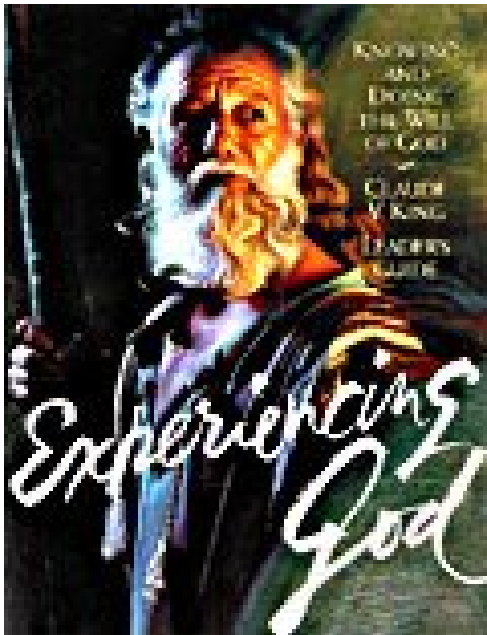
## **An Overview of Paul's Writings**

### **Lesson 2**

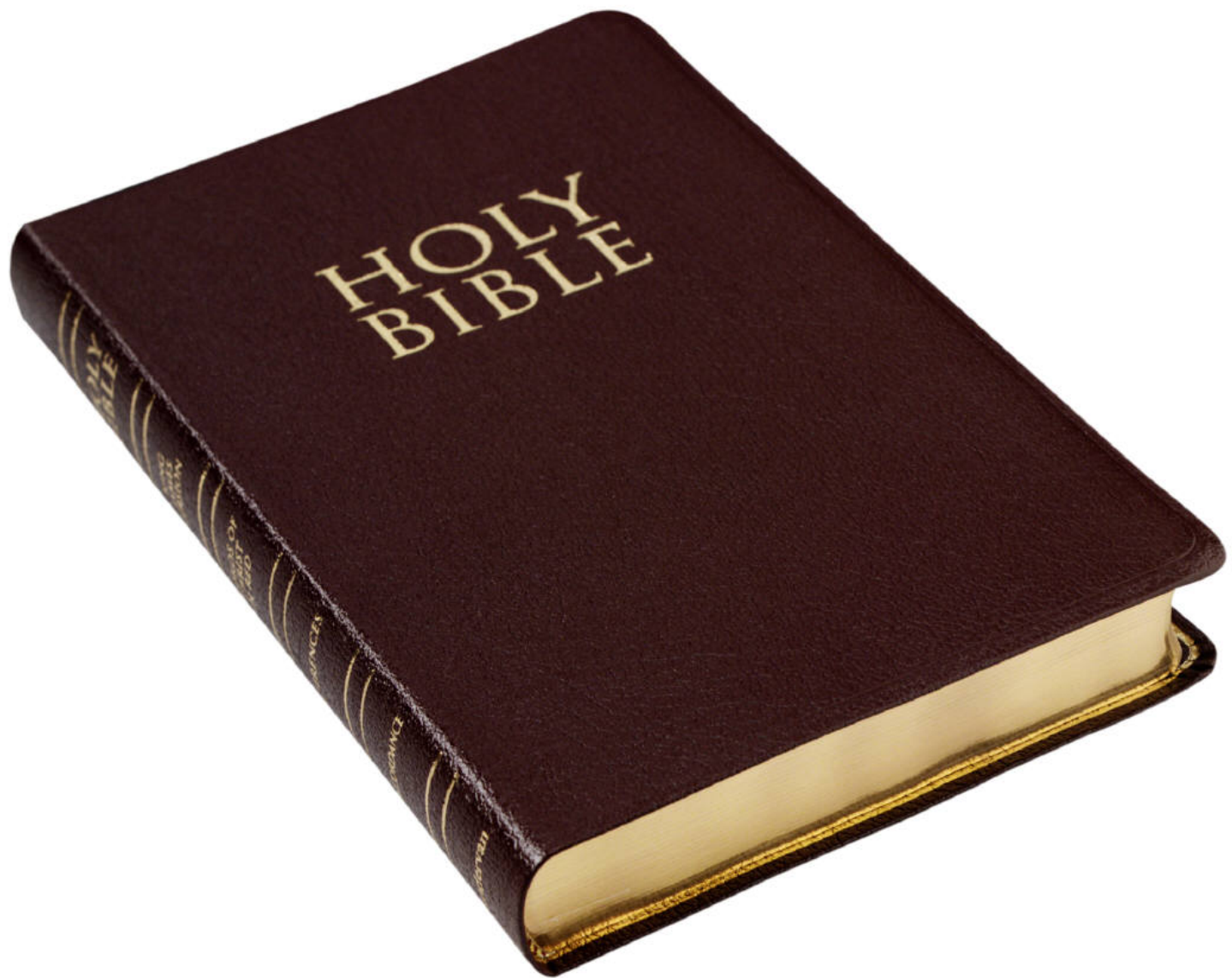
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God speaks by the Holy Spirit through the Bible, prayer, circumstances and the church to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways.



*Henry Blackaby*



# OLD TESTAMENT

39 BOOKS

GENESIS	I CHRONICLES	DANIEL
EXODUS	EZRA	HOSEA
LEVITICUS	NEHEMIAH	JOEL
NUMBERS	ESTHER	AMOS
DEUTERONOMY	JOB	OBADIAH
JOSHUA	PSALMS	JONAH
JUDGES	PROVERBS	MICAH
RUTH	ECCLESIASTES	NAHUM
I SAMUEL	SONG OF SOLOMON	HABAKKUK
II SAMUEL	ISAIAH	ZEPHANIAH
I KINGS	JEREMIAH	HAGGAI
II KINGS	LAMENTATIONS	ZECHARIAH
I CHRONICLES	EZEKIEL	MALACHI

# NEW TESTAMENT

27 BOOKS

MATTHEW	I TIMOTHY
MARK	II TIMOTHY
LUKE	TITUS
JOHN	PHILEMON
ACTS	HEBREWS
ROMANS	JAMES
I CORINTHIANS	I PETER
II CORINTHIANS	II PETER
GALATIANS	I JOHN
EPHESIANS	II JOHN
PHILIPPIANS	III JOHN
COLOSSIANS	JUDE
I THESSALONIANS	REVELATION
II THESSALONIANS	







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**Paul wrote 13 of  
the 21 Epistles**

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1. Romans
2. I Corinthians
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4. Galatians
5. Ephesians
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# Paul's Letters to Churches





Of all the New Testament authors, Paul is the one who has stamped his own personality most unmistakably on his writings. It is especially for this reason that he has his secure place among great letter-writers in world literature – not because he composed his letters with a careful eye to stylistic propriety and the approving verdict of a wider public than those for whom they were primarily intended, but because they express so spontaneously and therefore so eloquently his mind and message.

***F.F. Bruce***

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“Clearly no one is justified  
before God by the law,  
because, ‘The righteous  
will live by faith’”

Galatians 3:11 NIV

# Galatians

## Unshackled





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“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.”

I Thes. 4:16-17 (NIV)



# I & II Thessalonians

Be Ready!

# I & II Corinthians



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- From Ephesus & Macedonia
- Wrote Four Letters to Corinth
- Spent 18 months in Corinth
- Key Verses: I Cor. 12:12-13





# I & II Corinthians

“The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.”

1 Cor. 12:12-13 (NIV)

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# Romans

“I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: ‘The righteous will live by faith.’”

Romans 1:16-17 (NIV)



# Romans

## Righteousness



# Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians





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“Praise be to the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, who has blessed  
us in the heavenly realms  
with every spiritual  
blessing in Christ.”

Eph. 1:3 (NIV)



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- Ephesians: Blessed
- Colossians: Supremacy



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“And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.”

Col. 1:18-20 (NIV)





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- Philippians: Joy





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“In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Phil 1:4-6

(NIV)

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# Philemon

“So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has done you any wrong or owes you anything, charge it to me.”

Philemon 17-18 (NIV)



# Philemon

## Forgiveness



# Titus





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# Titus

“It teaches us to say ‘No’ to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.” Titus 2:12-14

# Titus

## Godliness





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- II Timothy during his final imprisonment
- Timothy was led to the Lord by Paul & joined Paul on his 2<sup>nd</sup> MJ





# I Timothy

## Order



# II Timothy

“For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day--and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.”

II Timothy 4:6-8 (NIV)





# II Timothy

Loyalty



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- Seek to grow in your knowledge of God's Word.
- Solidify what you really believe about God and His revelation.
- Stay open to allow God to make adjustments in your life.



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- Practice solitude.
- Protect your daily time and place to be alone with God.
- Pray, listen, and reflect.

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- Read four chapters per day.
- Write down one verse from each chapter.
- Develop an action statement that captures what God is asking you to do.



Invite someone to sit with you next week...

