

Paul's Ministry BEFORE Acts 28 The great dispensational divide

Up until Acts 28, God' purposes were through Israel, the Remnant to the world, on the earth & new earth. OT Prophecy and Promise underline every doctrine.

We do not live on this side of Acts 28

During and up to Acts 28 the dispensational purposes of God relate to the earth and the NJ. At Acts 28 these purposes were put to one side with Israel until a future date. During Acts time Christ is Saviour, King and Bridegroom, the believers are a prophetic remnant, chaste virgins to judge the world.

Paul's Acts period statement about his ministry and the letters which harmonize with it. Acts 26:6-7, 22.
“witnessing ..saying no other things than those which the prophets and Moses said was going to happen”

**Galatians
1&2 Thessalonians
1&2 Corinthians
Hebrews
Romans**

Approx. 190 OT quotes, all Jewish themes and hope

The Gospels, the letters of James, Peter, John, Jude and Revelation fit here

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Paul's Ministry AFTER Acts 28, The great dispensational divide

AFTER Acts 28 The salvation of God was sent to the Nations independent of Israel. A new dispensation was given to Paul alone. While it contains the essential doctrines of redemption it reveals totally NEW dispensational things. Eph.3:1-10. Col.1:23-29 and 2Tim.1:8-12.

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Paul's post Acts period statement about his ministry and the letters which harmonize with it. Eph.3:7-9.

.. the unsearchable riches of Christ... the dispensation of the mystery which .. has been hidden in God.....

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

Titus, Philemon

1&2 Timothy

Approx. 8 OT quotes, non Jewish themes and new hope

After Acts 28 the dispensational purposes of God changed and relate to the heavenly places where Christ sits at God's right hand. This dispensation of Grace is parenthetical. Christ is Saviour, Head, the believers are His Body, seated in the above heavens, some might reign with Him there.

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