

NEW TESTAMENT - PART 3

Introduction

1. The New Testament starts with the birth of Jesus.
2. Jesus put together a team to help him spread the word on who he was; the Messiah and Son of God.
 - He called twelve men, trained them, and prepared them for service.
 - During his ministry, Jesus healed the sick and performed many miracles.
 - Crowds of people followed him and were amazed by his miracles and teachings.
3. The New Testament is organized into several major sections.
 - a. The Gospels and Acts
 - Each gospel tells about Jesus's life and ministry, and ends with his death and resurrection.
 - The gospel writings focus on the roughly three-year period of his public ministry starting around the year 30 CE.
 - The broad outline of Jesus's actions and identity are the same throughout the gospels.
 - The gospels present Jesus as both the Son of God and the Messiah.
 - The Book of Acts follows the gospels.

- It tells about the growth of the early church and Christian movement as it spreads from Jerusalem to cities across the Roman Empire.
 - Matthew
 - Mark
 - Luke
 - John
 - Acts

b. Epistles

- The apostle Paul wrote much of the New Testament.
- He wrote letters of encouragement and instruction to churches throughout Europe and Asia.
- His writing helps us understand who Jesus is, what he did, and how this should impact those who follow him.
- An epistle is a letter or message and was a primary form of written communication in the ancient world.
 - Romans
 - 1 Corinthians
 - 2 Corinthians
 - Galatians
 - Ephesians

- Philippians
- Colossians
- 1 Thessalonians
- 2 Thessalonians
- 1 Timothy
- 2 Timothy
- Titus
- Philemon
- Hebrews
- James
- 1 Peter
- 2 Peter
- 1 John
- 2 John
- 3 John
- Jude

c. Revelation

- The New Testament ends with the Book of Revelation.
- It's filled with mysteries and symbols about end-times events leading up to the return of Christ.

- It is the final warning that the world will definitely end and judgment is certain.
- The book takes us through a period called the great tribulation and the final fire in hell that all unbelievers will face for eternity.
- The book confirms the fall of Satan and the eternal damnation he and his angels are bound for.
- We are shown the promise that believers will live forever with Jesus in the New Jerusalem.