

New Testament Christian Scriptures

The Gospels

Narrative accounts of the life and teaching of Jesus written by early Christian communities.

- Gospel according to Mark
written 60-80 CE
- Gospel according to Matthew
written 60-100 CE
- Gospel according to Luke
written 70-100 CE
- Gospel according to John
written 90-100 CE

There are various theories about dates and who the actual authors of each of the gospels were.



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History

The Acts of the Apostles is the sequel to Luke's Gospel. It chronicles the life of the early Church after Jesus' resurrection.

- **Acts of the Apostles**
written 70-100 CE

Apocalyptic Literature

The Revelation of John was the last book included in the Christian canon of Scripture. In the 4th century, St. John Chrysostom and others argued that this book is too difficult to interpret and could be easily abused. Today, interpretation and use of this book by Christians varies widely.

- **The Revelation to John**
written 68-96 CE



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Pauline Epistles

Letters either written by St. Paul or probably written by St. Paul, they are the earliest written books in the New Testament. These are the only books in the New Testament that nearly all scholars agree were written by their traditional author.

- [Romans](#)
- [1 Corinthians](#)
- [2 Corinthians](#)
- [Galatians](#)
- [Ephesians](#)
- [Philippians](#)
- [Colossians](#)
- [1 Thessalonians](#)
- [2 Thessalonians](#)
- [1 Timothy](#)
- [2 Timothy](#)
- [Titus](#)
- [Philemon](#)
- Hebrews



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Catholic Epistles

In this case we are talking about catholic with a small “c” as in “universal.” These were written by various authors other than Paul.

- [James](#)
- [1 Peter](#)
- [2 Peter](#)
- [1 John](#)
- [2 John](#)
- [3 John](#)
- [Jude](#)



Other “Scriptures”

Apocryphal Gospels

Narratives of Jesus and his ministry rejected by the Church for some reason, but many stories are told from these gospels as legendary stories about Jesus and the Apostles. Some even contain details used in later Christian doctrines.

- Protoevangelium Jacobi, or Infancy Gospel of James, describing the birth, education, and marriage of the Blessed Virgin
- Gospel of the Pseudo-Matthew
- Arabic Gospel of the Infancy
- History of Joseph the Carpenter
- Transitu Marire, or Evangelium Joannis, describing the death and assumption of the Blessed Virgin



Other “Scriptures”

Heretical Gospels

Narratives of Jesus and his ministry rejected by the Church because they contradict the established teachings of the Church or the generally accepted beliefs about Jesus.

- Gospel according to the Hebrews
- Gospel according to the Egyptians
- Gospel of Peter
- Gospel of Philip
- Gospel of Thomas
- Gospel of Marcion
- Gospel of Bartholomew
- Gospel of Matthias
- Gospel of Nicodemus
- Gospel of the Twelve Apostles
- Gospel of Andrew
- Gospel of Barnabas
- Gospel of Thaddeus
- Gospel of Philip
- Gospel of Eve
- Gospel of Judas Iscariot



Other “Scriptures”

Various Apocryphal Sources

Other writings that were rejected by the Church because they contradict established Christian teachings.

- Acts of Peter
- Acts of John
- Acts of Andrew
- Acts and Martyrdom of Matthew
- Acts of Thomas
- Acts of Bartholomew
- Acts of Peter and Paul
- Acts of Paul
- Acts of Paul and Thecla
- Acts of Philip
- Acts of Matthew
- Acts of Simon and Jude
- Acts of Barnabas
- Acts of James the Greater
- Pseudo-Epistle of Peter
- Pseudo-Epistles of Paul
- Pseudo-Epistles to the Laodiceans
- Pseudo-Correspondence of Paul and Seneca

