

Lecture Two: The Gospels and Acts (part 2)

Introduction:

1. This lecture continues our survey of the historical books of the NT (the four Gospels and Acts)
2. Today we will consider the Gospel of Luke and the book of Acts.

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I. The Introduction to Luke and Acts

A. The Content and Character of Luke-Acts

B. The Writer of Luke and Acts

C. Probable Date of Writing

D. Audience

II. The Gospel of Luke

A. Purpose and Themes

B. Structure of the Book (9:51)

C. Outline and Survey of the Book¹

1. Prologue of the Book (1:1-4)
2. The Preparation of the Son of Man (1:5—2:52)
3. The Introduction of the Son of Man (3:1—4:13)
4. The Ministry of the Son of Man (4:14—9:50)
5. The Journey of the Son of Man to Jerusalem (9:51—19:28)
6. The Presentation of the Son of Man (19:29-48)
7. The Rejection of the Son of Man (20:1—21:4)
8. The Prophecy of the Son of Man (21:5-38)
9. The Passion of the Son of Man (22:1—23:56)
10. The Resurrection of the Son of Man (24:1-53)

III. The Book of Acts

A. The Stated Purpose of Acts

B. Other Purposes and Themes

¹ Robert G. Gromacki, *New Testament Survey* (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1974), 117-119.

C. Outline and Survey²

1. Structure of the book

Missionary	Base	Mission	Chapters
Peter			
Paul			

2. Outline of the book³

- a. The witness in Jerusalem (1-7)
- b. The witness in Judea and Samaria (8-12)
- c. The witness to the uttermost part (13-28)
 - i Paul's first missionary journey (13-14)
 - ii The Jerusalem Council (15:1-35)
 - iii Paul's second missionary journey (15:36—18:22)
 - iv Paul's third missionary journey (18:23—21:17)
 - v Paul's imprisonment (21:18—28:31)

² Gromacki, 158.

³ Gromacki, 159-160. Compare a similar (but not identical) outline in D. Edmond Hiebert, *An Introduction to the New Testament*, Three Volume Collection (Waynesboro, Georgia: Gabriel Publishing, 2003), 271-276.