

The Apostle Paul, Servant of Christ

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SESSION 87:

Part 3: Paul the Writer & Thinker

Galatians pt. 1: 9.1 - 9.1.1

What the study is about tonight:

Part 3: Introduction: Letter Writing in the Ancient World

9.1 Galatians

9.1.1 Praescriptio



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Unit III: Paul the Writer

Chapter 9: Early Writings

Introduction: Letter Writing

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An Overview Survey of the Contributions of this Christian Leader



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- **Session Eighty-seven**
 - Taken from chapter nine of the book
 - Emphasis on the writing ministry of Paul
- **Learning Goals:**
 - 1. Learning what Paul wrote in his letters
 - 2. Understanding how this has been interpreted



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9.1.2 Exordium

9.1.3 Letter Body

9.1.4 Conclusio



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Introduction

When were these letters written?

Where were they written? To whom?

Timeline of Paul's Ministry

Missionary Activity	Writing Ministry
I. Paul's early ministry A. Conversion and early activities (AD 33-46) B. First missionary journey (AD 46-47), Acts 13:1-14:28 C. Jerusalem council (AD 48), Acts 15:1-35, Gal 2:1-10	Galatians, AD 47 (South Galatian Theory) (From Antioch)
II. Paul's middle period of ministry A. The second missionary journey (ca. AD 48-51), Acts 15:36-18:22	I. Paul's Early Writing Ministry Galatians, AD 49* (South Galatian Theory) (From Macedonia) 1 Thessalonians AD 50 (From Athens) 2 Thessalonians AD 51 (From Corinth)



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How were these letters written? **Form**



Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Praescriptio	
Superscriptio	Παῦλος καὶ Τιμόθεος δούλοι Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ
Adscriptio	πᾶσιν τοῖς ἁγίοις ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ τοῖς οὖσιν ἐν Φιλίπποις σὺν ἐπισκόποις καὶ διακόνους,
Salutatio	χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.
Proem	Εὐχαριστῶ τῷ θεῷ μου ἐπὶ πάσῃ τῇ μνησίᾳ ὑμῶν. . .
Body	Γινώσκουν δὲ ὑμᾶς βούλομαι, ἀδελφοί, ὅτι τὰ κατ' ἐμὲ μᾶλλον εἰς προκοπὴν τοῦ εὐαγγελίου ἐλήλυθεν, ὥστε τοὺς δεσμούς μου φανεροὺς ἐν Χριστῷ γενέσθαι ἐν ὅλῃ τῇ πραιτωρίῳ καὶ τοῖς λοιποῖς πάνσιν, . . .
Conclusio	Ἀσπάζασθε πάντα ἅγιον ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς οἱ σὺν ἐμοὶ ἀδελφοί. . .

Ancient Letter on papyrus



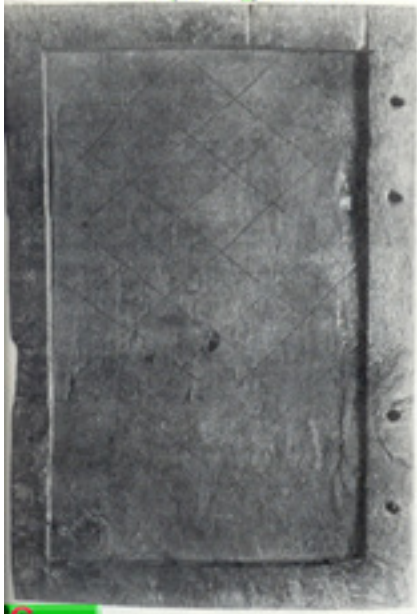
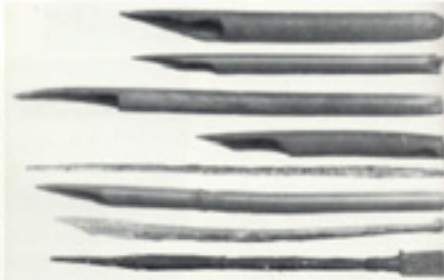
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How were these letters written? Method

- a) Amanuensis
- b) Logistics



Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Praescriptio

Superscriptio Παῦλος καὶ Τιμόθεος δοῦλοι
Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ

Adscriptio κἀπὼν τοῖς ἁγίοις ἐν Χριστῷ
Ἰησοῦ τοῖς οἰσὶν ἐν Φιλίπποις σὺν
ἐπισκόποις καὶ διακόνους.

Salutatio χάρις ἡμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ
πατρὸς ἡμῶν καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ
Χριστοῦ.

Proem Εὐχαριστῶ τῷ θεῷ μου ἐπὶ πάντῃ τῇ μνησίᾳ
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Body Γενέσκειν δέ ἡμῶς βούλομαι, ἀδελφοί,
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μου φανερώσῃ ἐν Χριστῷ γενέσθαι ἐν ὅλῃ
τῇ πρακτικῇ καὶ τοῖς λοιποῖς πάντιν. . .

Conclusio Ἀσπάζεσθε πάντοι ἅγιον ἐν Χριστῷ
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Why is it important to know these items?

- 1) Proper interpretation must be framed by the letter structure.**
- 2) Letters are responses to real issues. They must be interpreted against this backdrop.**
- 3) The religious thinking of Paul develops over time. This must always be a part of the interpretation.**



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Why is it important to know these items?



Historical Aspects

1. External Aspects
2. Internal Aspects



Literary Aspects

1. External Aspects
2. Internal Aspects



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1 **Παῦλος ἀπόστολος** οὐκ ἀπ' ἀνθρώπων οὐδὲ δι' ἀνθρώπου ἀλλὰ διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ καὶ θεοῦ πατρὸς τοῦ ἐγείραντος αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν, 2 καὶ οἱ σὺν ἐμοὶ πάντες ἀδελφοὶ

ταῖς ἐκκλησίαις τῆς Γαλατίας,

3 **χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ** 4 τοῦ δόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν ἡμῶν, ὅπως ἐξέληται ἡμᾶς ἐκ τοῦ αἰῶνος τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος πονηροῦ κατὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ πατρὸς ἡμῶν, 5 ᾧ ἡ δόξα εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων, ἀμήν

1 **Paul an apostle** — sent neither by human commission nor from human authorities, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead — 2 and all the brothers who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

3 **Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,** 4 who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, 5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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- **What can we learn from Paul's letters?**
 - ✓ 1. How to properly interpret them
 - ✓ 2. What to look for in the introductory sections.

APPLICATION

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• **NEXT Session:**

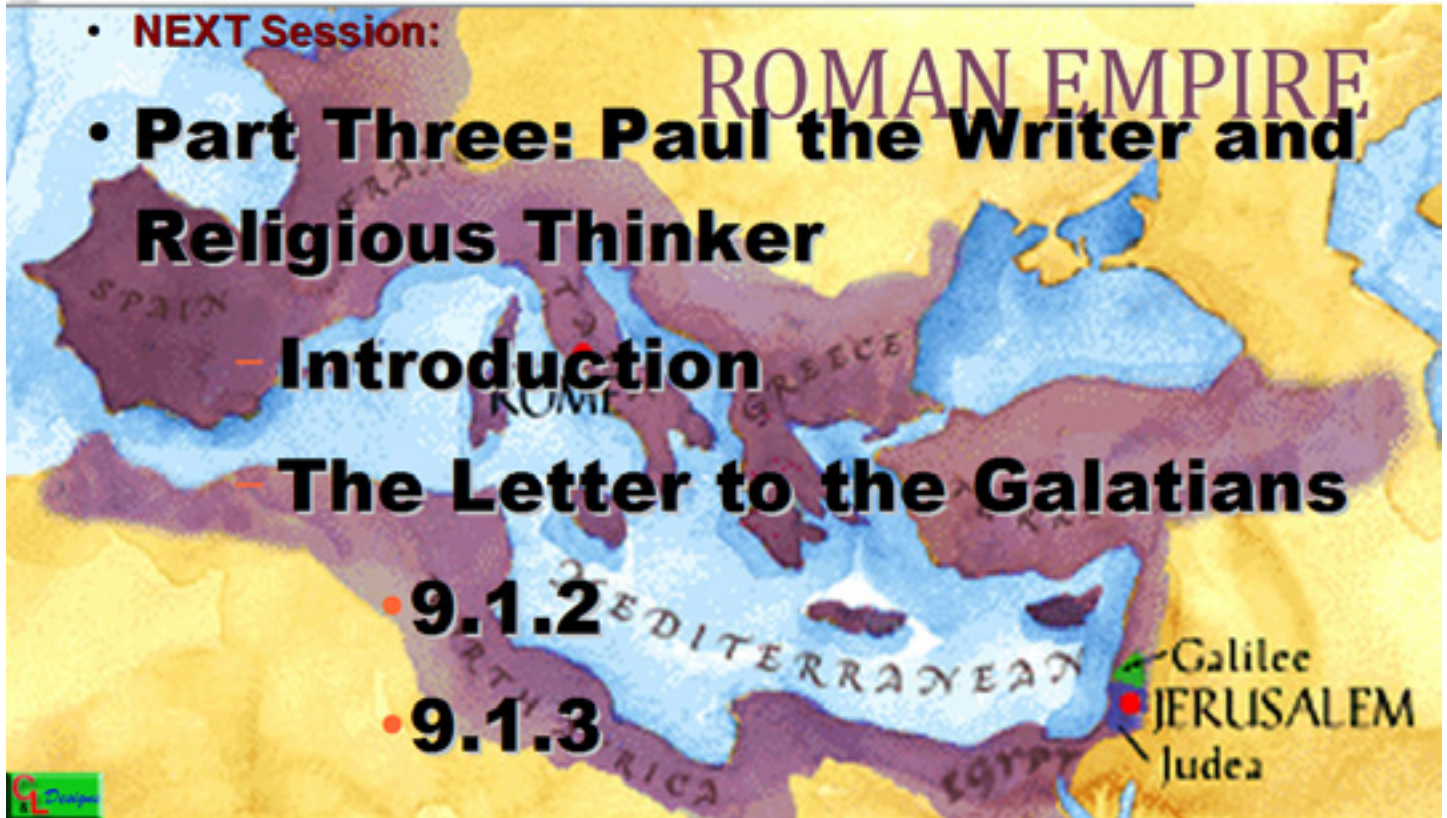
• **Part Three: Paul the Writer and Religious Thinker**

– **Introduction**

– **The Letter to the Galatians**

• **9.1.2**

• **9.1.3**



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