

# PAUL’S ADDRESSEES, AND APPROXIMATE DATES OF HIS LETTERS

Paul’s letters were written to real churches and individuals in the midst of real circumstances, not as a systematic theology but as pastoral responses to the needs of the early church. When viewed together, these charts show both **who** Paul was addressing and **when** each letter was written, helping us hear his words as they were first received.

By pairing the addresses with the approximate dates, we can place each epistle within its historical setting and alongside the events recorded in Acts. This overview helps the reader see Paul’s ministry as it unfolded over time and to better understand the purpose and context of each letter within the advance of the gospel.

## Paul’s Epistles in **Canonical** Order

<i><b>Epistle</b></i>	<i><b>Addressed To</b></i>	<i><b>Approx. Date</b></i>
<i><b>Romans</b></i>	To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints	AD 56–57
<i><b>1 Corinthians</b></i>	To the church of God which is at Corinth	AD 54–55
<i><b>2 Corinthians</b></i>	To the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints in Achaia	AD 55–56
<i><b>Galatians</b></i>	To the churches of Galatia	AD 48–49
<i><b>Ephesians</b></i>	To the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus	AD 60–62
<i><b>Philippians</b></i>	To all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons	AD 60–62
<i><b>Colossians</b></i>	To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse	AD 60–62
<i><b>1 Thessalonians</b></i>	To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ	AD 50–51
<i><b>2 Thessalonians</b></i>	To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ	AD 51–52

<i>1 Timothy</i>	To Timothy, Paul's true son in the faith	AD 63–65
<i>2 Timothy</i>	To Timothy, Paul's beloved son	AD 66–67
<i>Titus</i>	To Titus, Paul's true son after the common faith	AD 63–65
<i>Philemon</i>	To Philemon, a beloved fellow laborer	AD 60–62

Paul's Epistles in **Chronological** Order

<b>EPISTLE</b>	<b>ADDRESSED TO</b>	<b>APPROX. DATE</b>
<b>GALATIANS</b>	To the churches of Galatia	AD 48–49
<b>1 THESSALONIANS</b>	To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ	AD 50–51
<b>2 THESSALONIANS</b>	To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ	AD 51–52
<b>1 CORINTHIANS</b>	To the church of God which is at Corinth	AD 54–55
<b>2 CORINTHIANS</b>	To the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints in Achaia	AD 55–56
<b>ROMANS</b>	To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints	AD 56–57
<b>EPHESIANS</b>	To the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus	AD 60–62
<b>PHILIPPIANS</b>	To all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons	AD 60–62
<b>COLOSSIANS</b>	To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse	AD 60–62
<b>PHILEMON</b>	To Philemon, a beloved fellow laborer	AD 60–62
<b>1 TIMOTHY</b>	To Timothy, Paul's true son in the faith	AD 63–65
<b>TITUS</b>	To Titus, Paul's true son after the common faith	AD 63–65
<b>2 TIMOTHY</b>	To Timothy, Paul's beloved son	AD 66–67