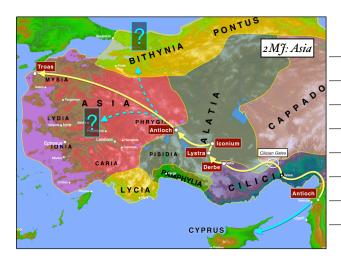


• I Corinthians

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	2 Corinthians Romans	Macedonia Corinth	56 57
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- 1. Authorship: Paul
- 2. Historical Background
 - A. Capital of Achaia (27 B.C.)
 - 1. Commercial growth (main seaport)
 - 2. Immigrant population (social melting pot)
 - 3. Numerous religions (Aphrodite, Isis, etc.)
 - B. Pauline mission
 - Church established on 2MJ (Acts 18)
 Gallio's proconsulship (51-52)



Pauline Mission—Corinthians

1 Corinthians

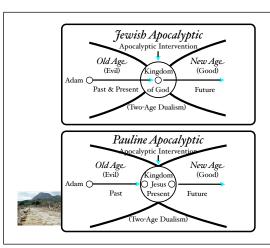
- 3. Date: 3MJ, Ephesus (ca. 55; cf. 1 Cor. 16:8, 19)
- 4. Occasion/Purpose
 - A. Contacts with Corinth: a letter and reports
 - B. Paul's response
 - 1. responding to reports
 - problem of factions (1:10-4:21)
 - problem of immorality (5:1-6:20)



- 3. Date: 3M7, Ephesus (1 Cor. 16:8, 19)
- 4. Occasion/Purpose
 - B. Paul's response
 - 2. responding to questions
 - marriage (7:1-40)
 - idol meat (8:1-11:1)
 - worship disorder (11:2-34)
 - spiritual gifts (12:1-14:40)
 - resurrection (15:1-58)



Pauline Mission—Corinthians



1 Corinthians

- 5. Critical Problems
 - A. Paul's contacts with Corinth (3MJ)
 - 1. people, travel, communications
 - Chloe's communications (1:11)
 - Stephanus, Fortunatus, Achaicus (16:17)
 - Paul's "previous letter" (5:9)
 - Corinthian letter to Paul (7:1)
 - 2. problem of 2 Cor. 6:14-7:1



- seems to break context
- fragment of "previous letter" before 1 Cor?

1 Corinthians

- 5. Critical Problems
 - B. Paul's opponents at Corinth
 - 1. Role of others
 - Apollos (1:12; 3:4-6, 22; 4:6; 16:12)
 - Peter (Cephas, 1:12; 3:22; 9:5; 15:5)
 - 2. Opponents combatted in 2 Cor 10-13
 - Paul spoofs as "super-apostles" (2 Cor. 11:5)
 - already active at Corinth before 2 Cor?



° I Corinthians

• 2 Corinthians



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2 Corinthians

- 1. Authorship: Paul
- 2. Date: 3MJ, Macedonia (ca. 55–56)
- 3. Occasion/Purpose
 - A. Events of 3MJ
 - 1. Departure from Ephesus (2:12)
 - 2. "Good news rendezvous" in Macedonia (2:7, 24)
 - 3. Paul composes "thankful letter" (7:5-6)



- 1. Authorship: Paul
- 2. Date: 3MJ, Macedonia (ca. 55-56)
- 3. Occasion/Purpose
 - B. Purpose; preparing for Paul's coming visit
 - 1. Express comfort, thanksgiving (chs. 1-7)
 - 2. Complete Jerusalem collection (chs. 8-9)
 - 3. Rebuke a contentious minority (chs. 10-13)



Pauline Mission—Corinthians

2 Corinthians

- 4. Outline
 - A. Introduction (1:1-11)
 - B. Paul's Joy in Reconciliation (1:12-7:16)
 - C. Paul's Collection for Jerusalem (8:1-9:15)
 - D. Paul's Rebuke for a Minority (10:1-13:10)
 - E. Conclusion (13:11-14)



Pauline Mission—Corinthians

2 Corinthians

- 5. Critical Problems
 - A. Nature of Paul's crisis in Ephesus
 - 1. Dire affliction in Asia, life threatened
 - 2. Saved only by divine intervention (1:8-11)
 - B. Unity of Letter
 - 1. Strangely disorganized at places
 - 2. Strictly internal evidence (nothing in manuscripts)
 - 3. Two major problematic units



• 6:14-7:1 (strangely interruptive)

chs. 10–13 (strikingly incongruous)

2 Corinthians

2 Cor. 6:10-13 and 7:2:

"We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is open wide to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also. . . . Make room in your hearts for us; we have wronged no one, we have taken advantage of no one."



2 Cor. 6:14-15

"Do not be mismatched with unbelievers. For what partnership is there between righteousness and lawlessness? Or what fellowship is there between light and darkness? What agreement does Christ have with Beliar? Or what does a believer share with an unbeliever?"



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2 Corinthians

5. Critical Problems

C. Identification of Paul's opponents

- Their claims for themselves: pure Jewish descent, brandishing letters of recommendation, true apostles, "servants of righteousness"
- Their charges against Paul: big on words, small on presence, ineffective speaker, coward, unreliable, embezzler, no real apostle, exaggerated self importance, mentally unstable

