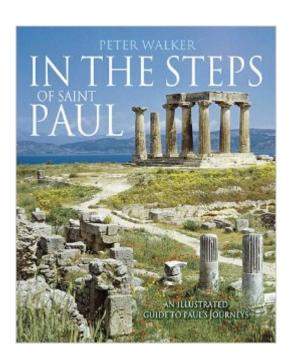
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In The Steps Of Saint Paul: An Illustrated Guide To Paul's Journeys





Synopsis

Tracing the path of Saint Paul, Peter Walker offers an expert exploration of various biblical sites and their contemporary counterparts. Drawing mainly on Luke's account in Acts, as well as on Paul's own letters, Peter Walker reconstructs Paul's wide-ranging travels, detailing some of the most important sites of the early church. We begin in Damascus, then follow Paul on his first and second "missionary journeys," then trace his final visit to Jerusalem and Caesarea, and eventually arrive in Rome. Each chapter focuses on a particular site and includes a section on Paul's story within that location, a list of key dates which give readers an overview of significant events associated with that place, and an exploration of the location as a visitor might encounter it today. Readers are transported to the rugged "Cilician Gates" of southern Turkey, the marketplaces of Athens, Corinth, and Ephesus, the bleak expanses of ancient Galatia, and the wintry, wind-swept shores of Malta.

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If you can't afford a cruise round the places Paul visited, this book will serve as a guide book for your imagination. With maps, colour photos, charts and dates, further places to explore, and biblical texts for those of us too lazy to look them up, Peter Walker takes us on a journey from the road to Damascus to Rome. The book is scholarly without being heavy and colloquial in style as you would expect from a tourist guide. Although he comes from an evangelical background, Peter Walker writes for believers and sceptics alike. He acknowledges that Paul's conversion is unique and not a

template for all who come to faith. He acknowledges controversies, though he is conservative on the authorship and dating of the Pastoral Epistles and he attempts to harmonise Luke's and Paul's accounts of the missionary journeys. He is respectful of Paul's Jewish heritage and there is no trace of anti-Semitism, even in his handling of Galatia. Before reading this book, I had never realised that Jesus's ministry covered an area of 150 miles whereas Paul's covered 1,400. Nor had I considered that Tarsus might have been Jonah's Tarshish. Those who preach on the epistles will be able to make sermons more colourful with the geography' topography and history contained in its pages. (Very readable and useful cross-references)

If you love the Book of Acts, you will love this book. I discovered it in my research for my own commentary on the Book of Acts. The research is phenomenal. What makes the book "great" is the flood of illustrations, specifically the spectacular photography. The maps are clear and accurate. There are historical details here that are very hard to find anywhere -- all in the same book. I have many commentaries on he book of Acts. I would sell them all just to buy this book. Dr. Howard Brant -- author of upcoming book "Radical Witness in a Hostile World."

An excellent resource, well-laid-out, with lots of insights into the places visited by Paul. Love the maps, the dated lists of history relevant to each area, and especially all the illustrations. Walker takes us on Paul's journeys and relates Paul's personal growth along the way, backed up with historical context from Paul's letters, Acts, and outside sources. All is told within the greater sphere of Roman history and the even larger scope of God's plan of grace, the details of which the apostles were just beginning to understand.

One of the very best books of this type I've read. My training is in theology, and I am always glad to see a work of this type that is informative for lay people as well as those with more formal education in the filed of biblical studies. I cannot recommend this work too highly. Be sure to get the companion volume, In the Steps of Jesus.

I recently was on a tour of Greece and Ephesis, Turkey with Footstep Ministries, following the footsteps of Paul from place to place. We saw lots of sites, took lots of photos, and studied Paul's travels. This book is an outstanding resource for before or after the trip.....so good that I bought the book for 6 friends who were on the trip with me.

This book has made me realize the magnitude of the journey's of Paul. It is easy to just read a Bible verse and move on, but this puts into perspective the travel and effort that Paul went through to share the Gospel.

I appreciated the scriptural discussion and vivid photos of sites now. Also loved the order that matched chronologically, Paul's journeys. Helpful prep for an eventual trip.

Pretty flawless, and lavishly illustrated too. I found this book invaluable for some of the research for my own book, "Mysterium: I Rome".

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