AUTHOR: Luke
TIME WRITTEN: Completed prior to Paul’s trial in 62 A.D.
POSITION IN THE BIBLE:
• 44th Book in the Bible
• 5th Book in the New Testament
• 1st and only book of History in the New Testament
• 22 Books to follow it.

CHAPTERS: 28
VERSES: 1,007
WORDS: 24,250

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT ACTS:
■ The last recorded words of Jesus prior to His ascension back to Heaven are recorded in the Book of Acts.
  - Acts 1:8 - “You shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”
  - The Book of Acts is the record of that commission being carried out.
■ Acts 1:8 is the Book of Acts in miniature:
  - Acts 8:5 - 12:25 - Judea and Samaria.
■ The Book of Acts is the historical link between the biographical records of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John and the Epistles.
■ Acts is an extremely important book in that it shows what the death of Jesus accomplished.
  - The means of forgiveness by reaching the blood of Christ through baptism (immersion).
  - Obedient believers being added to the family of God - the church.
■ The establishment of the Lord’s church in Acts 2

■ The Book of Acts:
  - Begins with the year of Christ’s death (30 A.D.)
  - Ends following the two years of Paul’s imprisonment at Rome in about 62 A.D.
  - Covers the first 30 to 35 years of the history of the church.
  - Is the only book in the Bible that asks the question, “What must I do to be saved?” and then provides the answer.
■ The Book of Acts records ten case examples of conversion:
  - About 3,000 on the Day of Pentecost. 2:37-41
  - The Samaritans. Acts 8:12
  - Simon the Sorcerer. Acts 8:13
  - The Ethiopian Eunuch. Acts 8:26-40
  - Saul (Paul). Acts 9:3-18
  - Cornelius and his household. Acts 10:34-48
  - Lydia and her household. Acts 16:11-15
  - The Philippian Jailor and his family. Acts 16:25-34
  - The Corinthians. Acts 13:8
  - The 12 men at Ephesus/ Acts 18:8
■ Through the first 12 chapters the major character is Peter.
Through the final 16 chapters the major character is Paul.
■ Acts records the three missionary journeys of Paul.
    - Lasted 2 years
    - Traveled some 1,235 miles
    - Lasted 3 years
    - Traveled some 2,703+ miles
    - Lasted 4 years
    - Traveled some 2,515 miles
■ History is “His-Story.”