

18 days through Acts for kids!

Who wrote Acts?

Acts was written by a chap called Luke, yes the same guy who wrote Luke's Gospel. In fact, Acts is kind of like a part 2, picking up the story where the Gospel ends.

We think Luke was a doctor – Paul calls him doctor in his letter to the Colossians and the way Luke describes some of the healings and other events makes us think he was an educated man and most likely a doctor.

When was it written?

Our best guess is that it was written between AD63 and AD70 – that's more than 1,948 years ago. It was written not long after the events described in the book and about 30 years after Jesus died and was raised to life again.

Why was it written?

Luke himself tells us at the beginning of his Gospel that he wanted to write about everything that had happened – he was actually with Paul on a few of his journeys. He says that the book is for Theophilus (easy for you to say!), we think he was a wealthy man, possibly a Roman official. He probably wanted a book that would remind him of the things he'd learned about Jesus and so he could share it with others.

What's so important about it anyway?

Acts is a very important book in the New Testament. It tells us about how the good news about Jesus spread from Jerusalem, through the local area and eventually to Rome where it would eventually spread across the world. It tells us about how the first churches were formed which helps us understand our own churches.

We've chosen some amazing stories for you to read through - 1 reading a day for 18 days. You can choose to read these stories with an adult or if you want to read them on your own, why not tell someone about the story once you've read it? You'll need a bible to look up the passage to read plus a pen to tick the box once you've finished your reading. Have fun and we hope you enjoy the book...

☐ Day 1: Acts 2:1-15 - The coming of the Holy Spirit



☐ Day 2: Acts 3:1-10 - Peter heals a crippled beggar



☐ Day 3: Acts 4:1-21 - The apostles are imprisoned

☐ Day 4: Acts 8:26-40 - Philip preaches to the Ethiopian

☐ Day 5: Acts 9:1-19 - The conversion of Paul



☐ Day 6: Acts 9:19-25 - Paul in Damascus

☐ Day 7: Acts 9:32-43 - Aeneas healed & Dorcas brought back to life

☐ Day 8: Acts 10:19-48 - Peter and Cornelius

☐ Day 9: Acts 12:4-11 - Peter arrested and freed by an angel



☐ Day 10: Acts 13:1-3 - Paul and Barnabas sent off

☐ Day 11: Acts 14:8-18 - Paul heals the crippled man in Lystra

☐ Day 12: Acts 17:22-34 - Paul and the unknown God

☐ Day 13: Acts 19:1-7 - Paul prays for the believers in Ephesus

☐ Day 14: Acts 21:27-36 - Paul is seized by the mob

☐ Day 15: Acts 24:1-27 - Paul before Felix



☐ Day 16: Acts 27:39-44 - Paul is shipwrecked



☐ Day 17: Acts 28:1-10 - Paul in Malta

☐ Day 18: Acts 28:11-16 - Paul in Rome

