

## The Structure of the Book of Acts

Acts can be divided up into roughly seven sections:

Chapters	Subject Matter
1-2	Introduction
3:1 - 6:7	The mission in Jerusalem
6:8 - 9:31	Stephen, Philip and Saul
9:32 - 12:24	The gospel spreads in Syria-Palestine
12:25 – 16:5	The first missionary journey and the Jerusalem Council
16:6 - 19:41	The second and Third Mission missionary journeys
20:1 - 28:31	To Jerusalem and then Rome

Another way of dividing it would be look at how it fulfils 1:8 in witnessing to the world:

1:1 - 5:42	Witnessing 1
1:1 - 2:47	The beinning of the Church
3:1 - 5:42	The church in Jerusalem
6:1 - 11:18	Witnessing 2
6:1 - 9:31	The church beings to expand into different regions
9:32 - 11:18	The mission begins to spread to the Gentiles
11:19 - 28:31	Witnessing 3
11:19-1:28	The mission moves from Antioch to Asia Minor
15:1-35	The implications of Gentiles being in the Church
15:35 – 18:17	Paul takes the gospel to Macedonia and Achaia
18:18 – 20:38	Paul continues the mission in Asia
21:1 – end	Paul is arrested and imprisoned.

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