

TIMELINE OF GALATIANS

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an exact dating for them, because the year of Paul's conversion is not known with certainty. On the assumption that it took place within three years of Pentecost, it may be placed tentatively about A.D. 31.⁸ If so, the chronology of Galatians may be charted as follows:

EVENT	REF.	TIME	
Conversion of Paul	1:15	A. D. 31	} 3 years
Visit to Arabia	1:17		
Return to Damascus			
First Visit to Jerusalem	1:18	33	} 14 years
Interview with Cephas			
Spent 15 days in city			
Departure to Syria and Cilicia	1:21		
(Early ministry in Antioch — not mentioned in Galatians)			
Second Visit to Jerusalem	2:1-10	46	} No interval stipulated
Accompanied by Barnabas and Titus			
Motivated by revelation			
Private interview			
Complaint about "false brethren"			
Agreement with James, Cephas, and John			
(First Missionary Journey — not mentioned in Galatians. Implied by Pauline leadership in chapter 2)			
Visit of Cephas to Antioch, and resulting controversy	2:11ff.	48 (?)	
Writing of Galatians			
(Council of Jerusalem — not mentioned in Galatians)		48/49	