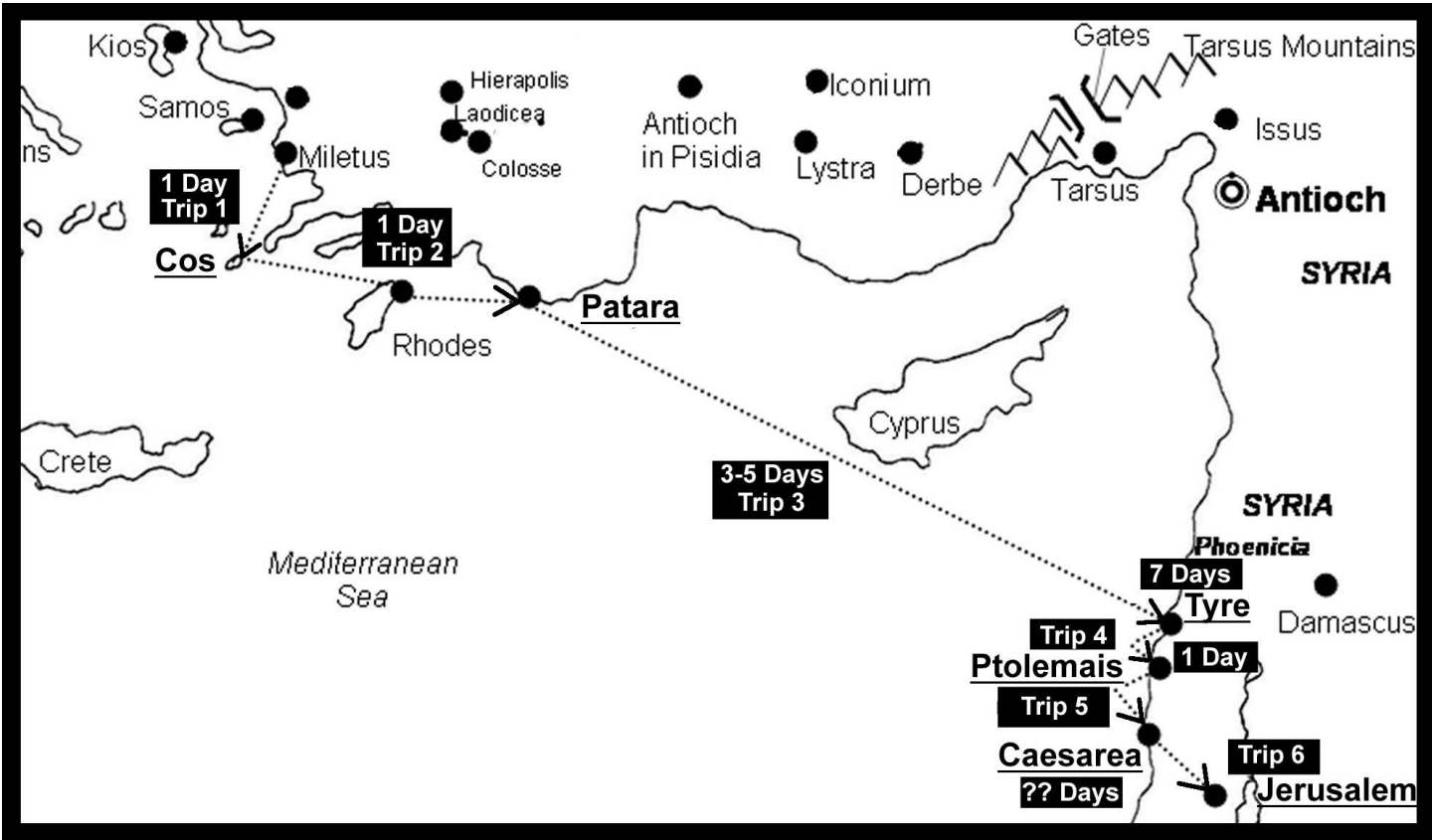
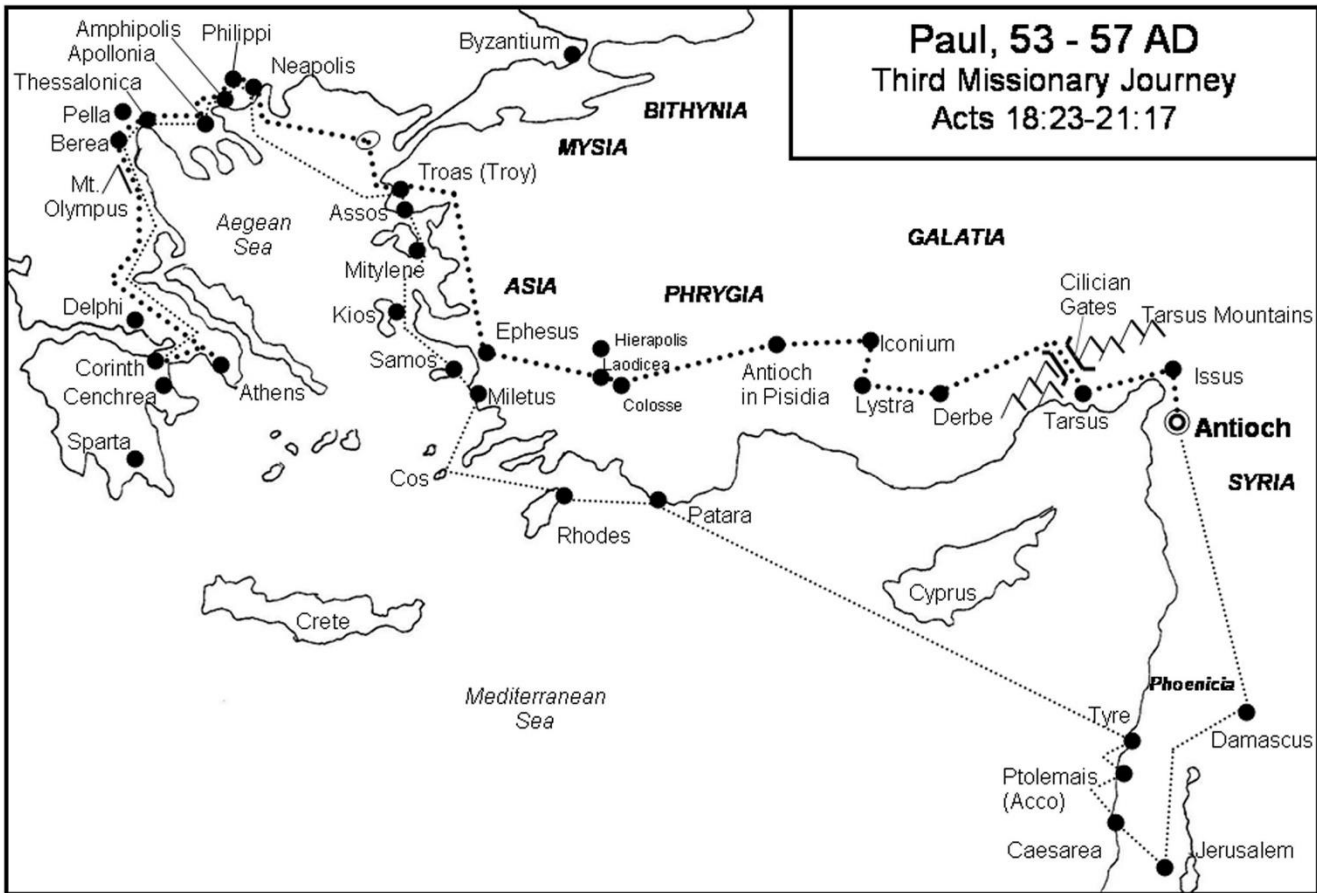


Acts 21:1-17



21:1 –

- Miletus to Cos in one day and find a ship moving east along the coast.
- Cos is 112 square miles and 27 miles long. Home to a school of medicine founded in the 400's BC by Hippocrates.
- Cos to Rhodes is 6 miles. Rhodes is 540 square miles, 20 miles from the coast. The harbor was the location of the great Colossus, a hundred-foot statue of the sun god Helios, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world that had been destroyed by an earthquake in the 200's BC.

21:2 –

- Patara was Roman province of Lycia and a key shipping port for grain coming out of Alexandria, Egypt.
- Paul finds a cargo ship scheduled to cross the 400 miles non-stop across the Mediterranean Sea
- 3-5 days depending on the wind.

21:3 –

21:4 –

- "finding" believers is a word that means Paul searched for them.
- The prophets there warn Paul about Jerusalem. One of two things is happening:
 - Paul's being "compelled" by the Spirit to go where danger will face him is confirmed.
 - Paul is being warned that he can avoid the danger by avoiding Jerusalem

21:5 –

- Recently acquainted with Paul the believers and their families are quickly attracted to Paul.

21:6 –

21:7 –

- Ptolemais is the southernmost Phoenician Port.
- This is Acco of the OT

- Gentiles here were hostile to Jews and nine years later in 66 AD 2,000 Jews were massacred here helping set off the Jewish Wars of 66-72 AD.

21:8 –

- 30 mile trip by ship to Caesares
- Caesarea was a magnificent sea port created by Herod the Great
- Philip:
 - Luke’s only use of the word “evangelist” in Acts.
 - Philip was evangelized Samaritans (8:4-25) and the Ethiopian (8:26-40)
 - Philip was taken by the Spirit to Azotus about 50 miles south of Caesarea about 20 years earlier.
 - Philip had settled down, married and had three daughters.
 - Philip also had a source (job) of income to provide for a family with a house that could host this group of nine delegates.
 - Philip would have provided historical details for Luke’s research.
 - Philip was an early Hellenistic Jew believer



21:9 –

- Four daughters prophesied which was proof of Joel’s prophecy and Peter’s words on the Day of Pentecost
- Eusebius quotes an Ephesian church leader from the 100’s AD to report that Philip moved with his daughters to Hierapolis (near Colossae and Laodicea.) Two daughters married, two remained unmarried in Hierapolis.



Amid the remains of a fourth- or fifth-century church at Hierapolis, one of the most significant Christian sites in Turkey, Francesco D’Andria found this first-century Roman tomb that he believes once held the remains of the apostle Philip.

21:10 –

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