

Life of Christ Chronological Pericope List

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61 A.D., place unknown.

1. Luke's purpose for writing a gospel, Luke 1:1-4.

Eternity past -> The time of the Messiah.

2. John's prologue: from pre-incarnation to crucifixion, John 1:1-18.

From creation to 7 BC.

3. Jesus' legal lineage through Joseph and natural lineage through Mary, Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 3:23b-38.

Late 8 BC to early 7 BC, Nazareth and Jerusalem.

4. John's birth foretold to Zacharias, Luke 1:5-25.
5. Jesus' birth foretold to Mary, Luke 1:26-38.
6. Mary's visit to Elizabeth, Luke 1:39-45.
7. Mary's song of joy, Luke 1:46-56.
8. Circumstances of Jesus' birth explained to Joseph, Matthew 1:18-25.
9. John's birth, Luke 1:57-66.
10. Zacharias' prophetic song, Luke 1:67-79.

7 BC to 30 AD, Jerusalem and the wilderness of Judea.

11. John's growth and early life, Luke 1:80.

7 BC, Bethlehem.

12. Birth of Jesus, Luke 2:1-7.
13. Witness of the shepherds, Luke 2:8-20.
14. Circumcision of Jesus, Luke 2:21.

7 BC, Jerusalem.

15. Jesus Presented in the temple, Luke 2:22-38.

7 BC, Bethlehem.

16. Visit of the Magi, Matthew 2:1-12.

7 BC, Nazareth.

17. Return to Nazareth, Luke 2:39.

Late 7 BC or early 6 BC. To 4 BC., Egypt

18. Flight into Egypt, Matthew 2:13-18.

4 BC, Nazareth.

19. New home in Nazareth, Matthew 2:19-23.

4 BC -> ?, Nazareth.

20. Growth and early life of Jesus, Luke 2:40.

Passover, 6 AD, Jerusalem.

21. Jesus' first Passover in Jerusalem, Luke 2:41-50.

6 AD – 29 AD, Nazareth.

22. Jesus' adolescence and early manhood, Luke 2:51-52.

29 AD, Near the Jordan.

23. John the Baptist's ministry launched, Mark 1:1; Luke 3:1-2.

24. His person, proclamation, and baptism, Matthew 3:1-6; Mark 1:2-6; Luke 3:3-6.

25. His messages to the Pharisees, Sadducees, multitudes, tax-gatherers, and soldiers, Matthew 3:7-10; Luke 3:7-14.

26. His description of the Christ, Matthew 3:11-12; Mark 1:7-8; Luke 3:15-18.

27. Jesus' baptism by John, Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-23a.

28. Jesus' temptation in the wilderness, Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13.

29. John's self-identification to the priests and Levites, John 1:19-28.

30. John's identification of Jesus as the Son of God, John 1:29-34.

31. Jesus' first followers, John 1:35-51.

32. First miracles, water becomes wine, John 2:1-11.

33. Visit to Capernaum with His disciples, John 2:12.

April 7th, 30 AD, Jerusalem.

- 34. First cleansing of the Temple at the Passover, John 2:13-22.
- 35. An early response to Jesus' miracles, John 2:23-25.
- 36. Nicodemus' interview with Jesus, John 3:1-21.

Spring, 30 AD, Judea near the Jordan River.

- 37. John superseded by Jesus, John 3:22-36.
- 38. Jesus' departure from Judea, John 4:1-4.

Mid-Late 30 AD, Samaria.

- 39. Discussion with a Samaritan woman, John 4:5-26.
- 40. Challenge of a spiritual harvest, John 4:27-38.
- 41. Evangelization of Sychar, John 4:39-42.

Late-30 AD – Early 31 AD, Galilee.

- 42. Arrival in Galilee, John 4:43-45.
- 43. Nature of the Galilean ministry, Matthew 4:17; Mark 1:14b-15; Luke 4:14b-15.
- 44. Child at Capernaum healed by Jesus while at Cana, John 4:46-54.
- 45. Ministry and rejection at Nazareth, Luke 4:16-31a.
- 46. Move to Capernaum, Matthew 4:13-16.
- 47. First call of the four disciples, Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20.
- 48. Teaching in the synagogue of Capernaum authenticated by healing a demoniac, Mark 1:21-28; Luke 4:31b-37.
- 49. Peter's mother-in-law and others healed, Matthew 18:14-17; Mark 1:29-34; Luke 4:38-41.
- 50. Tour of Galilee with Simon and others, Matthew 4:23-24; Mark 1:35-39; Luke 4:42-44.
- 51. Second call of the four, Luke 5:1-11.
- 52. Cleansing of a leper followed by much publicity, Matthew 8:2-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-16.
- 53. Forgiving and healing of a paralytic, Matthew 9:1-8; Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-26.
- 54. Call of Matthew Matthew 9:9; Mark 2:13-14; Luke 5:27-28.
- 55. Banquet at Matthew's house, Matthew 9:10-13; Mark 2:15-17; Luke 5:29-32.
- 56. Changed conditions with the Messiah present explained by three illustrations, Matthew 9:14-17; Mark 2:18-22; Luke 5:33-39.

Passover 31 AD, Jerusalem.

- 57. A lame man healed in Jerusalem on the Sabbath, John 5:1-9.
- 58. Effort to kill Jesus for breaking the Sabbath and saying He was equal with God, John 5:10-18.

59. Discourse demonstrating the Son's equality with the Father, John 5:19-47.

Spring 31 AD, Galilee.

60. Controversy over disciples' picking grain on the Sabbath, Matthew 12:1-8; Mark 2:23-28; Luke 6:1-5.

61. Healing of a man's withered hand on the Sabbath, Matthew 12:9-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11.

62. Withdrawal to the Sea of Galilee with a great multitude from many places, Matthew 12:15-25; Mark 3:7-12.

63. Twelve apostles named, Mark 3:13-19; Luke 6:12-16.

Spring 31 AD, On a mountain near Galilee.

64. Setting of the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5:1-2; Luke 6:17-19.

65. Blessings of those who inherit the Kingdom and woes to those who do not, Matthew 5:3-12; Luke 6:20-26.

66. Responsibility while awaiting the Kingdom, Matthew 5:13-16.

67. Law, righteousness and the Kingdom, Matthew 5:17-20.

68. Six contrasts in interpreting the Law, Matthew 5:21-48; Luke 6:27-30, 32-36.

69. Three hypocritical practices to be avoided, Matthew 6:1-18.

70. Three prohibitions against avarice, harsh judgment, and unwise exposure of sacred things, Matthew 6:19-7:6; Luke 6:37-42.

71. Application and conclusion, Matthew 7:7-27; Luke 6:31, 43-49.

72. Reaction of the multitudes, Matthew 7:28-29.

Spring into Summer 31 AD, Capernaum.

73. A certain centurion's faith and the healing of his servant, Matthew 8:1, 5-13; Luke 7:1-10.

Spring into Summer 31 AD, Nain.

74. A widow's son raised at Nain, Luke 7:11-17.

Spring into Summer, 31 AD, Galilee.

75. John the Baptist's relationship to the Kingdom, Matthew 11:2-19; Luke 7:18-35.

76. Woes upon Chorazin and Bethsaida for failure to repent, Matthew 11:20-30.

77. Christ's feet anointed by a sinful, but contrite, woman, Luke 7:36-50.

78. A tour with the twelve and other followers, Luke 8:1-3.

79. Blasphemous accusation by the scribes and Pharisees, Matthew 12:22-37; Mark 3:20-30.

80. Request for a sign refused, Matthew 12:38-45.

81. Announcement of new spiritual ties, Matthew 12:46-50; Mark 3:31-35; Luke 8:19-21.
82. The setting of the parables, Matthew 13:1-3a; Mark 4:1-2; Luke 8:4.
83. The parable of the soils, Matthew 13:3b-23; Mark 4:3-25; Luke 8:5-18.
84. The parable of the seed's spontaneous growth, Mark 4:26-29.
85. The parable of the tares, Matthew 13:24-30.
86. The parable of the mustard tree, Matthew 13:31-32; Mark 4:30-32.
87. The parable of the leavened loaf, Matthew 13:33-35; Mark 4:33-34.
88. The parable of the tares explained, Mark 13:36-43.
89. The parable of the hidden treasure, Matthew 13:44.
90. The parable of the pearl of great price, Matthew 13:45-46.
91. The parable of the dragnet, Matthew 13:47-50.
92. The parable of the householder, Matthew 13:51-52.

Summer into Fall, 31 AD, Galilee.

93. Departure across the Sea and calming the storm, Matthew 13:53; 8:18, 23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25.

Summer into Fall, 31 AD, Gerasa.

94. Healing the Gerasene demoniacs and resultant opposition, Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20; Luke 8:26-39.

Summer into Fall, 31 AD, Galilee.

95. Return to Galilee, healing of woman who touched Christ's garment and raising of Jairus' daughter, Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 5:21-43; Luke 8:40-56.
96. Three miracles of healing and another blasphemous accusation, Matthew 9:27-34.

Summer into Fall, 31 AD, Nazareth.

97. Final visit to unbelieving Nazareth, Matthew 13:54-58; Mark 6:1-6a.

Fall into Winter, 31-32 AD, Galilee.

98. Shortage of workers, Matthew 9:35-38; Mark 6:6b.
99. Commissioning of the twelve, Matthew 10:1-42; Mark 6:7-11; Luke 9:1-5.
100. Workers sent out, Matthew 11:1; Mark 6:12-13; Luke 9:7-9.

Fall into Winter, 31-32 AD, Tiberias.

101. Antipas' mistaken identification of Jesus, Matthew 14:1-2; Mark 6:14-16; Luke 9:7-9.

102. Earlier imprisonment and beheading of John the Baptist, Matthew 14:3-12; Mark 6:17-29.

Fall into Winter, 31-32 AD, Galilee.

103. Return of the workers, Mark 6:30; Luke 9:10a.

Spring, 32 AD, Near Bethsaida in Galilee.

104. Withdrawal from Galilee, Matthew 14:13-14; Mark 6:31-34; Luke 9:10b-11; John 6:1-3.

105. Feeding the five thousand, Matthew 14:15-21; Mark 6:35-44; Luke 9:12-17; John 6:4-13.

Spring, 32 AD, Opposite side of the Sea from Bethsaida.

106. A premature attempt to make Jesus king blocked, Matthew 14:22-23; Mark 6:45-46; John 6:14-15.

Spring, 32 AD, On the Sea of Galilee.

107. Walking on the water during a storm, Matthew 14:24-33; Mark 6:47-52; John 6:16-21.

Spring, 32 AD, Gennesaret.

108. Healings at Gennesaret, Matthew 14:34-36; Mark 6:53-56.

Spring, 32 AD, Capernaum.

109. Discourse on the true bread of life, John 6:22-59.

110. Defection among the disciples, John 6:60-71.

111. Conflict over the tradition of ceremonial defilement, Matthew 15:1-20; Mark 7:1-23; John 7:1.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, in Tyre and Sidon.

112. Ministry to a believing Gentile woman in Tyre and Sidon, Matthew 15:21-28; Mark 7:24-30.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, in Decapolis.

113. Healings in Decapolis, Matthew 15:29-31; Mark 7:31-37.

114. Feeding the four thousand in Decapolis, Matthew 15:32-38; Mark 8:1-9.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, Galilee.

115. Return to Galilee and encounter with the Pharisees and Sadducees, Matthew 15:39-16:4; Mark 8:10-12.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, on the Sea of Galilee.

116. Warning about the error of the Pharisees, Sadducees, and Herodians, Matthew 16:5-12; Mark 8:13-21.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, Bethsaida.

117. Healing a blind man at Bethsaida, Mark 8:22-26.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, District of Caesarea Philippi.

118. Peter's identification of Jesus as the Christ, and first prophecy of the church, Matthew 16:13-20; Mark 8:27-30; Luke 9:18-21.
119. First direct prediction of the rejection, crucifixion, and resurrection, Matthew 16:21-26; Mark 8:31-37; Luke 9:22-25.
120. Coming of the Son of Man and judgment, Matthew 16:27-28; Mark 8:38-9:1; Luke 9:26-27.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, Mount Hermon.

121. Transfiguration of Jesus, Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36a.
122. Command to keep the transfiguration secret, Matthew 17:9; Mark 9:9-10; Luke 9:36a.
123. Elijah, John the Baptist, and the Son of Man's coming, Matthew 17:10-13; Mark 9:11-13.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, Near Mount Hermon.

124. Healing of a demoniac boy, and faithfulness rebuked, Matthew 17:14-20; Mark 9:14-29; Luke 9:37-43a.

Spring into Summer, 32 AD, Galilee.

125. Second prediction of the resurrection, Matthew 17:22-23; Mark 9:30-32; Luke 9:43b-45.

Summer, 32 AD, Capernaum.

126. Payment of the Temple tax, Matthew 17:24-27.
127. Rivalry over greatness dispelled, Matthew 18:1-5; Mark 9:33-37; Luke 9:46-48.
128. Warning against causing believers to stumble, Matthew 18:6-14; Mark 9:38-50; Luke 9:49-50.

129. Treatment and forgiveness of a sinning brother, Matthew 18:15-35.

September, 32 AD, Galilee, in transit to Jerusalem.

130. Ridicule by the Lord's half-brothers, John 7:2-9.

September, 32 AD, Samaria, in transit to Jerusalem.

131. Journey through Samaria, Luke 9:51-56; John 7:10.

132. Complete commitment required of followers, Matthew 8:19-22; Luke 9:57-62.

Feast of Tabernacles, September 10-17, 32 AD, Jerusalem.

133. Mixed reaction to Jesus' teaching and miracles, John 7:11-31.

134. Frustrated attempt to arrest Jesus, John 7:32-52.

135. Jesus' forgiveness of an adulteress, John 7:53-8:11.

136. Conflict over Jesus' claim to be the light of the world, John 8:12-20.

137. Invitation to believe in Jesus, John 8:21-30.

138. Relationship to Abraham, and attempted stoning, John 8:31-39.

Autumn, 32 AD, Judea.

139. Commissioning of the seventy, Luke 10:1-16.

140. Return of the seventy, Luke 10:17-24.

141. Story of the good Samaritan, Luke 10:25-37.

Autumn, 32 AD, Bethany near Jerusalem.

142. Jesus' visit with Mary and Martha, Luke 10:38-42.

Autumn, 32 AD, somewhere in Judea.

143. Lesson on how to pray and parable of the importunate friend, Luke 11:1-13.

144. A third blasphemous accusation and a second debate, Luke 11:14-36.

145. Woes against the scribes and Pharisees while eating with a Pharisee, Luke 11:37-54.

146. Warning the disciples about hypocrisy, Luke 2:1-12.

147. Warning about greed and trust in wealth, Luke 12:13-34.

148. Warning against being unprepared for the Son of Man's coming, Luke 12:35-48.

149. Warning about the coming division, Luke 12:49-53.

150. Warning against failing to discern the present time, Luke 12:54-59.

151. Two alternatives: repent or perish, Luke 13:1-9.

152. Opposition from a synagogue official for healing a woman on the Sabbath, Luke 13:10-21.

Autumn, 32 AD, Jerusalem.

- 153. Healing of a man born blind, John 9:1-7.
- 154. Reaction of the blind man's neighbors, John 9:8-12.
- 155. Examination and excommunication of the blind man by the Pharisees, John 9:13-34.
- 156. Jesus' identification of Himself to the blind man, John 9:35-38.
- 157. Spiritual blindness of the Pharisees, John 9:39-41.
- 158. Allegory of the Good Shepherd and the thief, John 10:1-18.
- 159. Further division among the Jews, John 10:19-21.

December 18th, 32 AD, Jerusalem.

- 160. Another attempt to stone or arrest Jesus for blasphemy, John 10:22-39.

Winter, 33 AD, Perea.

- 161. From Jerusalem to Perea, John 10:40-42.
- 162. Question about salvation and entering the Kingdom, Luke 13:22-30.
- 163. Anticipation of His coming death and lament over Jerusalem, Luke 13:31-35.
- 164. Healing of a man with dropsy while eating with a Pharisaic leader on the Sabbath, Luke 14:1-24.
- 165. Cost of discipleship, Luke 14:25-35.
- 166. Parables in defense of associations with sinners, Luke 15:1-32.
- 167. Parable to teach the proper use of money, Luke 16:1-13.
- 168. Story to teach the danger of wealth, Luke 16:14-31.
- 169. Four lessons on discipleship, Luke 17:1-10.
- 170. Sickness and death of Lazarus, John 11:1-16.

Winter, 33 AD, Bethany near Jerusalem.

- 171. Lazarus raised from the dead, John 11: 17-44.

Late Winter, 33 AD, city of Ephraim.

- 172. Decision of the Sanhedrin to put Jesus to death, John 11:45-54.

Late Winter, 33 AD, passing through Samaria and Galilee.

- 173. Healing of ten lepers while passing through Samaria and Galilee, Luke 17:11-21.
- 174. Instructions regarding the Son of Man's coming, Luke 17:22-37.

Late Winter, 33 AD, toward Jerusalem.

175. Two parables on prayer: the importunate widow and the Pharisee and the publican, Luke 18:1-14.

Late Winter, 33 AD, Perea.

176. Conflict with the Pharisaic teaching on divorce, Matthew 19:1-12; Mark 10:1-12.
177. Example of little children in relation to the Kingdom, Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15-17.
178. Riches and the Kingdom, Matthew 19:16-30; Mark 10:17-31; Luke 18:18-30.
179. Parable of the landowner's sovereignty, Matthew 20:1-16.

Nearing Passover, 33 AD, on the road to Jerusalem.

180. Third prediction of the resurrection, Matthew 20:17-19; Mark 10:32-34; Luke 18:31-34.
181. Warning against ambitious pride, Matthew 20:20-28; Mark 10:35-45.

Nearing Passover, 33 AD, Jericho.

182. Healing blind Bartimaeus and his companion, Matthew 20:29-34; Mark 10:46-52; Luke 18:35-43.
183. Salvation of Zaccheus, Luke 19:1-10.

Passover, 33 AD, on the road from Jericho to Jerusalem.

184. Parable to teach responsibility while the kingdom is delayed, Luke 19:11-28.