

THE LIFE OF ST. PAUL, THE APOSTLE

The Paulinian Milieu


□ Life of St. Paul

- Paul was the greatest missionary of the Christian Church
- He was born between 5 and 10 AD at Tarsus in Cilicia with both Jewish parents
- Well educated in Jewish and non-Jewish studies

□ Life of St. Paul

- Saul was his Jewish name
- Studied under the great Jewish rabbi- Gamaliel
- He became a persecutor of the followers of Jesus Christ

- He experienced conversion in Damascus and became a Christian
- Was then transformed into an ardent zealous apostle of Christ
- He had three missionary trips throughout ASIA minor

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- His final trip to Rome was his last- he was arrested and acquitted.
 - Again, he was arrested and beheaded at Rome during the reign of emperor Nero.




□ The zeal for Christian faith is seen in his letters

Nine letters were written to Church communities:

□ Romans

□ Corinthians 1 & 2

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- ▣ Galatians
 - ▣ Ephesians
 - ▣ Philippians
 - ▣ Thessalonians 1 & 2
 - ▣ Colossians

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- Three pastoral letters:
 - Timothy 1 & 2
 - Titus
 - A personal letter to Philemon

Paulinian Milieu

- Charism
- Commission
- Charity
- Community
- Christ-Centered