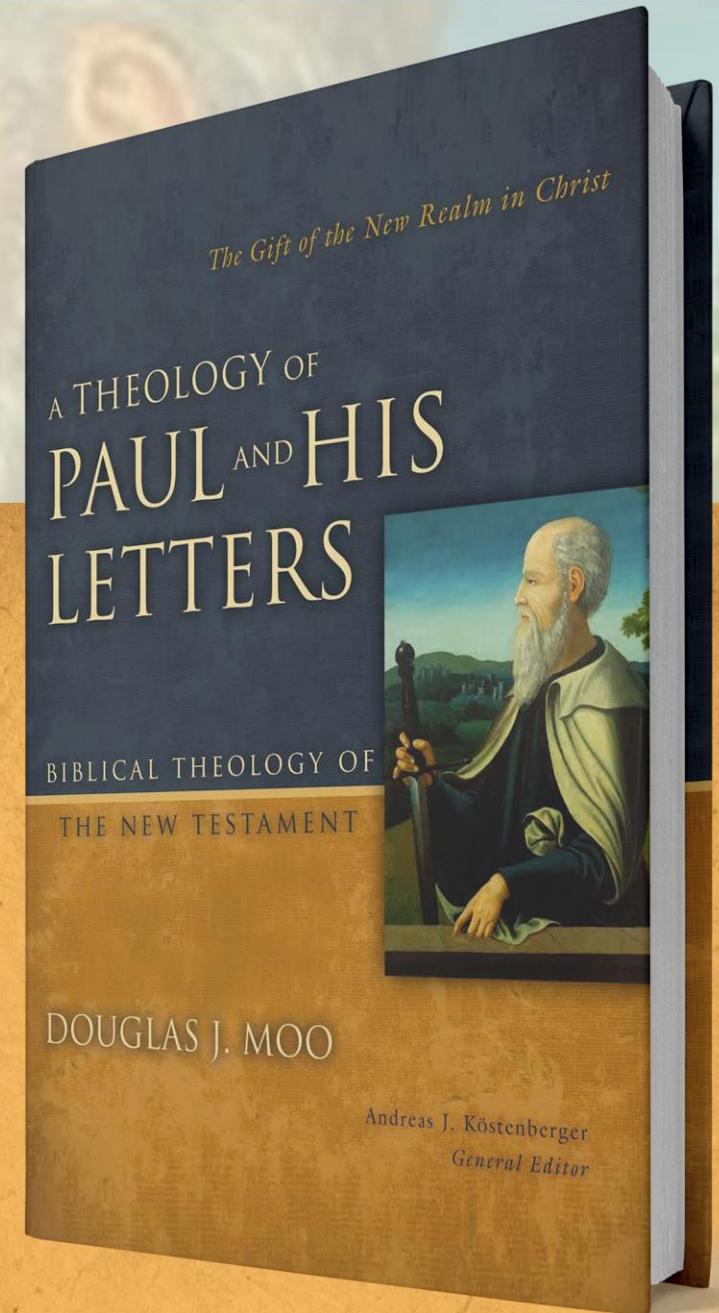


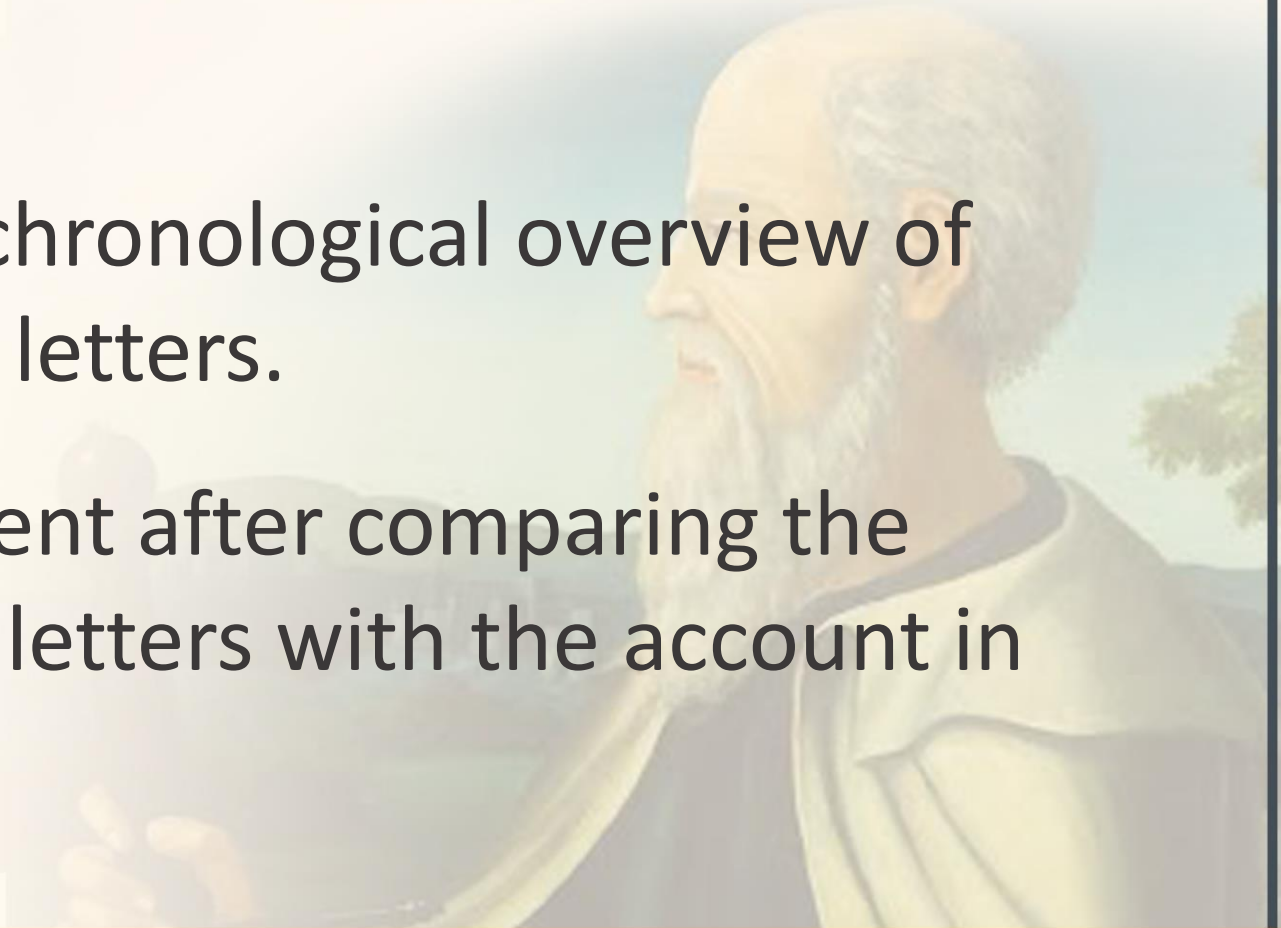
CHAPTER 3

Paul, Missionary Theologian



Life

- It is difficult to construct a chronological overview of Paul's life based only on his letters.
- A clearer overview is apparent after comparing the events he mentioned in his letters with the account in Acts.

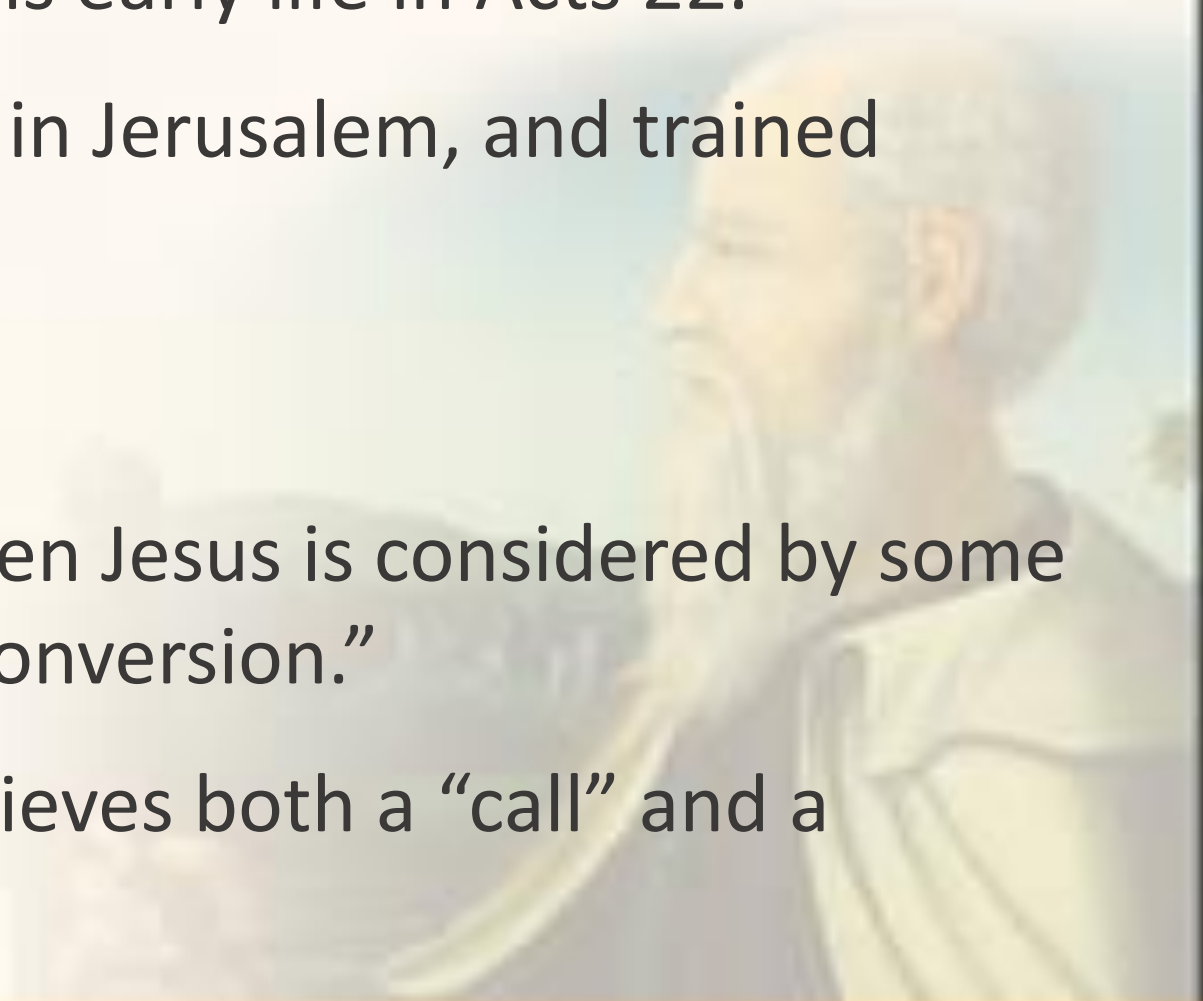


- “Brought Up in Jerusalem”

- Paul gave a brief account of his early life in Acts 22.
- He was born in Tarsus, raised in Jerusalem, and trained under Gamaliel.

- “Conversion”

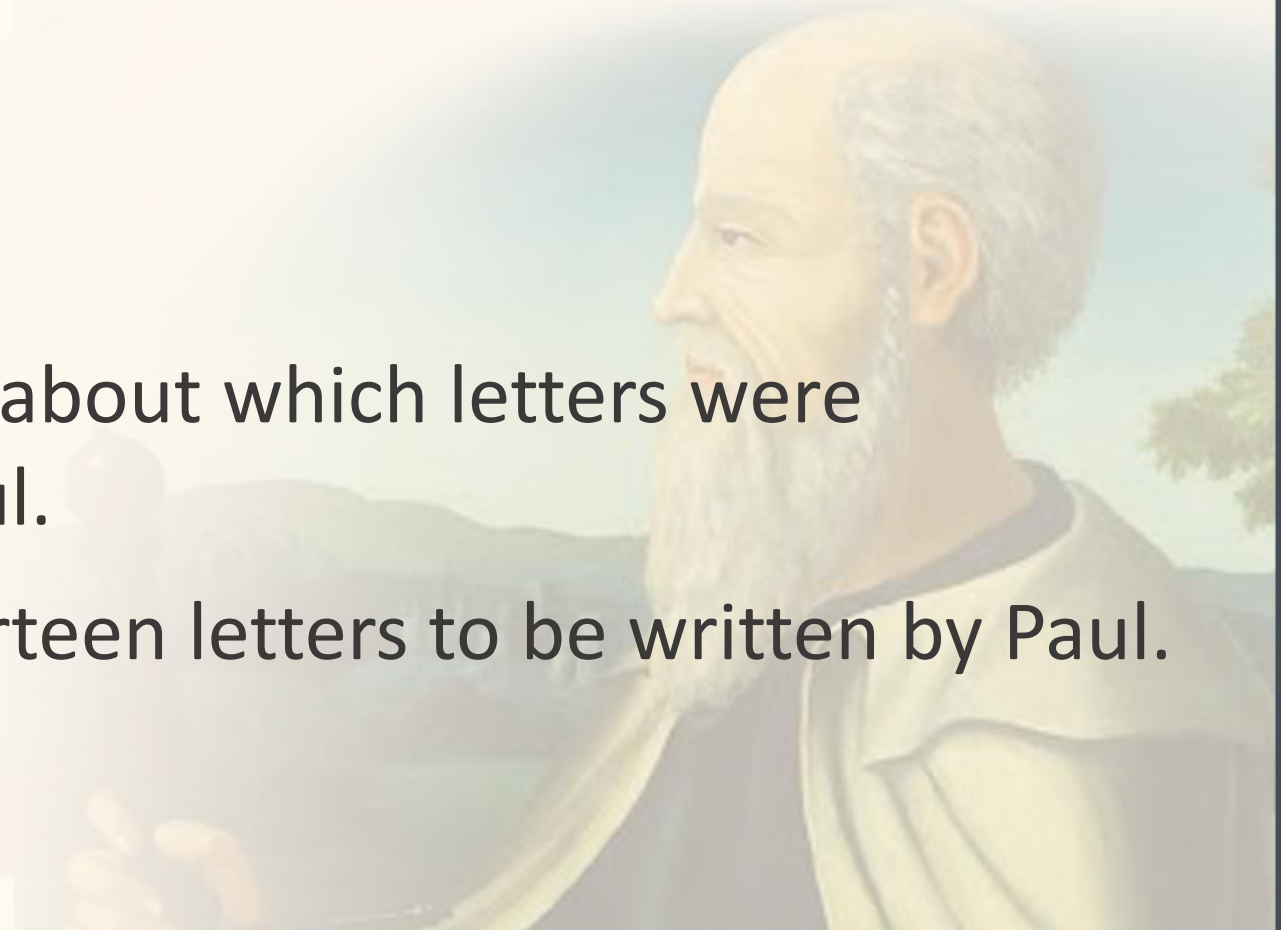
- Paul’s experience with the risen Jesus is considered by some to be a “call” rather than a “conversion.”
- The author stated that he believes both a “call” and a “conversion” took place.



Letters

- Numbers

- There is an ongoing debate about which letters were authentically written by Paul.
- The author considers all thirteen letters to be written by Paul.



- Genre and Rhetoric

- Paul's letters may be characterized as a new genre of the "apostolic/pastoral letter."
- Paul followed his contemporaries in using rhetorical techniques in his writings.

- Coauthors?

- The author stated that he considered the others mentioned in the openings of Paul's letters to be "cosenders" rather than "coauthors."

