

General Epistles – One written to Jewish Christians in general, believed to be written by the Apostle Paul, but not confirmed by contemporary Bible Scholars and seven letters written to Christians generally named after the writers.

1. Hebrews

Unknown

A.D. 68

Epistle

A letter urging Jewish believers not to return to their former traditions, summarising key Biblical characters and events to emphasise the hope of salvation through Jesus.

2. James

James (Jesus' half-brother)

A.D. 49

Epistle

A hard-hitting letter from James, encouraging believers to have a genuine faith with an emphasis on results.

3. 1 Peter

Peter

A.D. 65

Epistle

The focus of Peter's first letter is persecution, sharing inspiring words of comfort for Christians living as an oppressed minority in the Roman Empire.

4. 2 Peter

Peter

A.D. 66

Epistle

Peter's second letter warns against false teachers and reaffirms important spiritual truths.

5. 1 John

John

A.D. 90-95

Epistle

Written to oppose heretical doctrine, the first letter from John echoes the Gospel, encouraging Christians to love one another and keep Jesus' commands.

6. 2 John

John

A.D. 90-95

Epistle

A brief letter from John to "the chosen lady", urging believers to love one another and to be on guard against false teachings.

7. 3 John

John

A.D. 90-95

Epistle

The shortest book in the Bible, 3 John commends Gaius and Demetrius for their faithful service.

8. Jude

Jude (Jesus' half-brother)

A.D. 65

Epistle

A letter from Jude to address false teachings and urge Christians to defend the truth of the Good News.

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