

## Key dates in the New Testament and approximate dates when the books were written

All dates are approximate!		BC		AD																				
Event or Book	Author (where written)	(10)	(5)	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	
				<i>Approx. No: of years after Jesus' Resurrection</i>																				
				0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
Jesus' cousin John the Baptist born, 6 months before Him		6/5																						
<b>Birth of Jesus</b>		<b>6/5</b>																						
Herod the Great dies			4																					
Saul / Paul born				5 ?																				
Jesus visits the Temple as a boy of 12 (Luke 2:41-51)				6																				
John the Baptist begins his ministry				(Luke 2: 1-2)				29																
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John the Baptist beheaded by Herod								29/30?																
<b>Jesus crucified; resurrected; ascends to Heaven</b>								<b>31/2?</b>																
Stephen martyred / Paul's conversion on the Damascus Road												35												
Jesus' disciple James (John's brother) martyred; Peter in prison																44								
Paul's first missionary journey																46-48								
Galatians	Paul (in Antioch)															49								
James	James (in Jerusalem)															49								
<b>Jerusalem Council</b>																50								
Paul's second missionary journey																50-52								
Dr Luke joins Paul on his second missionary journey																50-51								
1 & 2 Thessalonians	Paul (in Corinth)															51/2								
Paul's third missionary journey																53-57								
1 & 2 Corinthians	Paul (1: Ephesus in 55AD; 2: Macedonia in 55-57AD)															55								
Romans	Paul (Corinth, prior to Jerusalem visit)															57								
<b>Paul arrested in Jerusalem &amp; then imprisoned in Caesarea</b>																57								
Mark's Gospel	John Mark (in Rome, for Roman Christians)															58-60								
Paul's journey to Rome as a Roman prisoner																59								
Ephesians	Paul (while under house arrest in Rome)															60								
Colossians	Paul (while under house arrest in Rome)															60								
Philemon	Paul (while under house arrest in Rome)															60								
Philippians	Paul (house arrest in Rome - released in 62)															61								
Matthew's Gospel	Matthew (probably Israel, for the Jews)															61-64								
Luke's Gospel	Luke (Rome & Caesarea, for Gentiles)															61-64								
1 Peter	Peter (possibly Rome)															64/5								
1 Timothy	Paul (Rome or Macedonia)															64								
Titus	Paul (probably Macedonia)															64								
Jude	Jude (Jesus' brother, probably in Jerusalem)															65								
<b>Paul arrested again and imprisoned in Rome</b>																65/6								
Acts	Luke (probably Rome)															66-68								
2 Peter	Peter (probably Rome)															66-68								
2 Timothy	Paul (from prison in Rome)															66/7								
Hebrews	Paul, Luke, Barnabas, Apollos, Silas...?															68-70								
<b>Paul &amp; Peter are martyred</b>																67/68								
<b>The destruction of Jerusalem</b>																70								
John's Gospel	John (probably Ephesus)																			85				
1,2 & 3 John	John (in Ephesus)																			85 to 90				
Revelation	John (in Patmos)																						95	