



Series: The New Testament Church

Title: The Churches of Europe (Macedonia and Greece)

- A. Local: (Acts 15:36-18:22)
 - A.1. Philippi
 - A.2. Thessalonica
 - A.3. Berea
 - A.4. Athens
 - A.5. Corinth
- B. Visible:
 - B.1. During the Life of Paul (2nd Missionary Journey, A.D. 50-53)
 - B.2. Others were with Paul, Silas (sent by the church at Antioch, Syria – Acts 15:40)
- C. Organized:
- D. Constituted:
- E. Assembly:
- F. Strengths and Weaknesses:
 - F.1. Strengths:
 - a. Philippi – a giving church (Phil. 4:
 - b. Thessalonica – a receptive people (Acts 17:1-9) – shortest time to establish a church.
 - c. Berea – a studious people (Acts 17:10-14)
 - d. Corinth – a receptive-to-correction church (2 Cor. 7:9)
 - F.2. Weaknesses:
 - a. Philippi – two cantankerous women. (Phil. 4)
 - b. Thessalonica – they thought they missed the Rapture and are in the Day of the LORD.
(1 Thess. 4:13-18)
 - c. Corinth – they behaved carnally – Contention and Divisions (1:10-11), Fornication (5:1-13), Litigation (6:1-8). The Corinthian church did deal with these issues and more and Paul writes in his second epistle that he rejoiced over their repentance (2 Cor. 2:12-13; 7:15-16).