

Synthetic outline of Acts.

The Peterian Period. Ch. 1-12

- I Ch. 1: Ascension of Christ,
The choice Matthias
- II .. 2: Descent of the Holy Spirit
Formation of the Church
- III .. 3+4 Arrest of Peter + John
Note The record offer of
the Kingdom to Israel
i.e. there is a shadow-
ing of this thought in
in this connection.
- IV .. 5: Sin of Ananias +
Sapphira. (Growth of
the Church.) Gamaliel
Deacons chosen
- V .. 6
- VI .. 7 Martyrdom of Stephen
- VII .. 8 Philip at Samaria
- VIII .. 9 Conversion of Saul
- IX .. 10 Conversion of Cornelius
- X .. 11 Gentile Church at
Antioch.
- XI .. 12 Peter's imprisonment.

Synthetic Outline of Matthew.

I Period of the Advent or Preparation

- 1 ch. 1: Genealogy from Abraham... +
Announcement to Joseph.
- 2 " 2: Flight into Egypt.
- 3 " 3: The Baptism of Jesus.
- 4 " 4: The Temptation of Jesus.

II Period of Christ's Ministry.

- 1 chs. 5-7 Sermon on the Mount.
- 2 " 8, 9 Miracles (10 in no.)
 - (1) " 8: 1-4 A leper cleansed.
 - (2) " 8: 5-13 Centurion's servant healed
 - (3) " 8: 14, 15 Peter's wife's mother healed
 - (4) " 8: 23-27 Tempest stilled.
 - (5) " 8: 28-34 Devils cast out of two.
 - (6) " 9: 1-8 Palsied man healed.
 - (7) " 9: 20-22 Woman healed of issue of blood
 - (8) " 9: 18, 19, 23-26 Jairus' daughter raised.
 - (9) " 9: 27-31 Two blind men healed
 - (10) " 9: 32-34 Dumb man healed
- 3 " 10: Commission of the twelve.
- 4 " 11: 12: Discourses. (4)
 - (1) " 11: 1-30 Concerning John the Baptist

- (2) ,, 12: 1-13 Concerning the Sabbath.
 (3) ,, 12: 22-37 Concerning Blasphemy
 against the Holy Spirit.
 (4) ,, 12: 38-45 Concerning a sign.
 5 ,, 13: Parables of the Kingdom, (7)
 (1) ,, 13: 3-9, 18, 23 The Sower
 (2) ,, ,, : 24-30, 36-43 Good Seed & Tares.
 (3) ,, ,, : 31, 32. Mustard Seed.
 (4) ,, ,, : 33 Leaven.
 (5) ,, ,, : 44 Treasure in a field,
 (6) ,, ,, : 45, 46 Pearl of great price,
 (7) ,, : 47-50 Net.
 6 ,, 14, 15 Miracles (Feeding the Multitudes)
 III Period of his claim before his
 disciples
 ,, 16: 17 The confusion & confirm-
 mation
 ,, 18: 19, 20 Discourses (5)
 (1) ,, 18: 1-14 Concerning Children.
 (2) ,, 18: 15-35 Concerning forgiveness
 (3) ,, 19: 3-12 Concerning divorce.
 (4) ,, 20: 1-16 Concerning earthly riches
 (5) ,, 20: 20-28 Concerning humility.

IV Period of His Claim before
the nation.

- 1 ch. 21. Entry into Jerusalem.
- 2 .. 21, 22. Parables of the Rejection (3)
 - ① .. 21: 28-32 The two Sons.
 - ② .. 21: 33-44 The Husbandman.
 - ③ .. 22: 1-14 The marriage feast.
- 3 .. 22: The plots of the Pharisees.
 - ① .. 19: 16-22 The Herodians
 - ②: 23-33 The Sadducees.
 - ③: 34-40 The Lawyer
- 4 .. 23: The words of the Pharisees

V Period of His Sacrifice

- 1 .. 24, 25 Discourses on His coming
Again.
- 2 .. 26 His Passion.
- 3 .. 27 His Crucifixion.

VI Period of His Triumph.

- .. 28. His Resurrection

Introduction to the Gospels.

In the O. T. the Messiah is presented under various aspects, which may be chiefly classified as follows.

- 1 The King of Israel.
- 2 The Servant of Jehovah.
- 3 The Son of Man.
- 4 The Son of God.

The four Gospels harmonize with this. — Matthew, presents Jesus as ^{the} King of Israel, Mark, as the Servant of Jehovah, Luke as the Son of Man, John as the Son of God.

Corresponding with, there were four representative peoples whose peculiarities these different representations of Christ were intended to meet. Mat. wrote for the Jews, Mark for the Romans, Luke for the Greeks, & John for the Christian Church.

The first three Gospels are sometimes

the Synoptics, - from two Gr. words which mean, "a view to-gather." They were written about thirty years after the ascension of our Lord, & gave the same general view of His saying & doings. The fourth Gospel was written about a generation later, & was intended for the Christian Church, which had grown up as the fruit of those Synoptics. This Gospel is almost entirely new. It was intended to meet & answer certain questions that had arisen concerning chiefly the person & work of Christ.