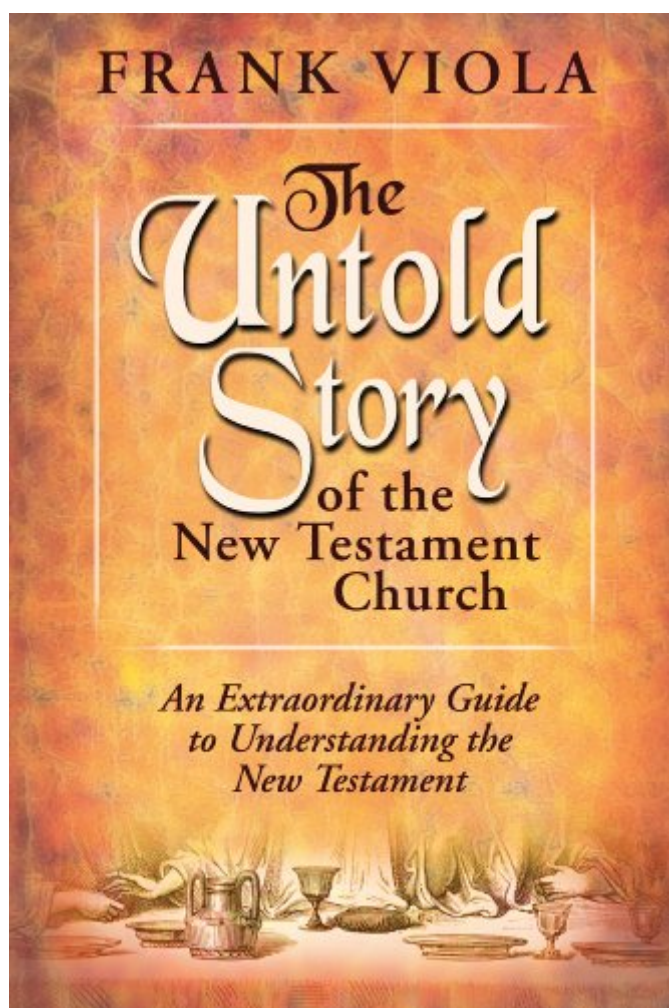


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The Untold Story Of The New Testament Church: An Extraordinary Guide To Understanding The New Testament



Synopsis

A Masterpiece in Narrative Ecclesiology Watch the New Testament come alive! Understand God's Word like never before! The New Testament is often hard to understand. A major reason is because it is not arranged in chronological order. Paul's letters, for example, are arranged by size rather than chronologically. This makes the New Testament a bit like a Chinese puzzle! For this reason, one famous Bible scholar said that reading the New Testament letters is like hearing one end of a phone conversation. The book you hold in your hands reconstructs the other end so that you can understand virtually every word. "The Untold Story of the New Testament Church" is a unique Bible handbook that weaves Acts and the Epistles together chronologically . . . creating one fluid story. This epic volume gives readers a first-hand account of the New Testament drama that is riveting and enlightening. It includes dates, maps, and background information about the people, the cities, and the events of the first-century church using a "you-are-there" approach. Get up-close and personal with apostles Paul, Peter, James and John and learn of their personal struggles. Understand the circumstances behind each inspired letter they penned. Watch the chaotic swirl of first-century people and events fall into place before your very eyes. Discover what Paul's "thorn in the flesh" really was. Learn what happened to all the apostles after the book of Acts was finished. Be ushered into the living, breathing atmosphere of the first century and uncover the hidden riches found in God's Word.

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Customer Reviews

Here is a clear picture of the time after the resurrected Jesus had left his followers to take his message of God's love and power to the world. His friends who had been with him in his ministry were now enabled to inspire ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary things through the power of the Holy Spirit within them. Thousands of new disciples were made and new churches of believing people were set up throughout the known world. This book shows the order in which the Bible should be read and gives reasons why the letters and the gospels were written. It is a real page turner.

New Testament history unfolds and the emerging church is served up as history like you've never had it presented! Reading the Pauline letters, in the context of when they were written, brings them to life and makes you feel like you are there at that point in history and reading the letters hungrily for all they're worth! The same goes for the rest of the New Testament! I would highly recommend this book as a reference piece, a devotional piece, and a study guide! I can't recommend this work highly enough!

I found it fascinating and illuminating to read all the background history taking place in between reading the books of the NT. Definitely helped to see the NT as a cohesive story of history and prophesy fulfillment our future still holds.

Good historical book. Made us more aware of what the apostles experienced on various apostolic adventures. Brought to life the various relationships between Jews and Christians. Explained the inter relationships politically between Jews, Romans and Christians. Brought that time period to life.

Such a great way to describe the context of the New Testament. Very curious book

This book creates a great narrative and deepens your understanding of the background material of the New Testament, helping you to conceptualize the teachings and bring it into relevant ideas for your own life and testimony. Will give any believer better understanding and encouragement!

Incredibly helpful in getting the big picture. Lots of background information I'd either never heard, or thought about. Thought provoking to realize Paul spent 25% of his life as a missionary in prison or under house arrest. Paul's missionary trips come alive when you understand distances between locations and sizes of cities and islands. It's illuminating to consider the frustrations and disappointments Paul had with new believers and how he had to deal with those who tried to assert their personal authority in newly planted churches.

If you're ready to really learn what happened to the 1st century church, then this is your book. The way the Bible is organized makes it confusing to get a fluid story. This book gives you a chronological path and historical background which helps you better understand the letters of the new testament. My small group is doing it for our next study. Can't wait!

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