**The Three Divisions of the Old Testament and the Three Divisions of the New Testament**

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| **Adam to Abraham** | **Abraham to Moses** | **Moses to Malachi** | **The Gospel Period** | **The Acts Period** | **The Post Acts Period** |
| **Genesis 1 - 11** | **Genesis 12 – Exodus 19** | **Exodus 19 – End of OT** | **The Gospels** | **The Acts & early letters** | **The later letters** |
| All peoples equal.No such thing as Jew & Gentile | Abraham’s seed to be first; Genesis 12:1-3 isThe Abrahamic Covenant. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob / Israel - Joseph | Israel / Jews first | Almost exclusively to the Jews | The Jews first, and also to the Gentile, but note the two groups of Gentiles: the God-fearers and the pagans | All believers equal.No such thing asJew & Gentile |
| No Mosaic Law | No Mosaic LawThe Code of Hammurabi;Then the Laws of Egypt | The Mosaic LawGiven in Exodus, Leviticus & Deuteronomy: note Deuteronomy 28 | The Mosaic Law | The Mosaic Law for Jewish Christians but not for Gentile Christians who were to observe the four rules of the Jerusalem council  | Mosaic Law cancelled |

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| ***The Gospel*** ***Period*** | ***The Acts*** | ***Period*** | ***The Post Acts*** ***Period*** |
| The Gospels | The Acts of and the | of the ApostlesEarlier Letters | The Later Letters |
| Almost exclusively Jewish | ***To the Jew first ... and***  | ***also ...******to the Gentiles*** | All believers equal.No such thing as Jew & Gentile |
|  | Letters to Jewish Christians | Paul’s earlier lettersto Jewish and Gentile Christians | Paul’s later letters |
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* "When" was it written or "When" is it about?
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