Study Guide for NT Lit #3

Memory Verses: 1 Jn 1:9; 4:10, Eph. 2:8-9, Philp. 4:6

John
1. How is John a synoptic supplement? What are several things found in the Synoptic gospels but not in John?
2. John doesn’t use parables so how does he develop Christ's teaching?
3. How is the Holy Spirit introduced in John?
4. John gives interesting character portrayals. What are some people he gives interesting insight into? How did Jesus work with Nathaniel, Nicodemus, the woman of Samaria and how was "doubting" Thomas developed/portrayed in class?
5. What are some words that are characteristic to John's book?

Acts
1. To whom was the book of Acts written? How is the writing of the book of Acts related to Paul's current situation and how does it relate to the book of Luke?
2. How does the book of Acts develop structurally (missionary, mission field and home base)? What are the "we" passages in the book of Acts and what do they tell us? What role do the summary statements play in the book of Acts? When was Acts written and how do we know that? What is the key verse of the book of Acts that outlines the structure of the book?
3. Why is Acts NOT considered a complete history of the early church? What types of things are missing?
4. How does Luke describe life in the early church (POPU)? What was the leadership structure of the early church like (APED)?
5. How are Peter’s sermons in Acts paralleled by comments in 1 Peter?
6. How are Peter and Paul paralleled in the book of Acts?
7. What is the contradiction between Acts 1 and Mat. 27 over Judas? How do you handle that?
8. What two silences indicate the book of Acts was written before A.D. 70?
9. What four occasions in Acts does the Holy Spirit come and what is the significance of each?
10. Are all the things in Acts normative for today? What are four ways of looking at that? How does one distinguish between historical material and normative universal principles that are contained within historical narratives?
11. What four occasions in Acts does the Holy Spirit come and what is the significance of each?
12. How was Acts 2 understood in light of the tongues issue? What other passages in Acts and Corinthians round out the discussion on speaking in tongues? How did we explain "speaking in an unknown tongue" from 1 Cor. 14? How did we take Peter’s comment that they were not drunk at Pentecost?
How were these understood in class (you may agree or disagree)?
What major principle has God used when giving revelation to humankind?
What issues come up with people of diverse opinions on this matter?
How should to diversity issues be handled on this matter?
13. Be able to follow the first missionary journey (1 MJ) of Paul (know where these places are)? What happened at Paphos, Perga, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe? What are the dates for the 1 MJ in relation to the Jerusalem council? Who went on the 1 MJ? Approximately what dates are given for the 1 MJ in relation to the Jerusalem Council?
14. What were the issues discussed at the Jerusalem council? What conclusions were arrived at? Approximately when was the Jerusalem council? What is the date of the Jerusalem council and time-wise what is it’s relationship to the 1 MJ and 2 MJ?
15. When the second missionary journey (2 MJ) was about to begin what problem arouse? Who went on the 2 MJ? What happened at Lystra, Troas, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens and Corinth? When was Galatians written? Where are these towns located? Where did Paul stay the longest on the 2 MJ and why? What was the Macedonian call in the 2 MJ?
16. On the 3 MJ where did Paul spend most of his time? What kinds of things happened there during his stay in that city? When Paul revisited Macedonia and Corinth what was he doing for his trip back
to Jerusalem? Where is Ephesus? When were 1 Cor., 2 Cor., and Romans written?

17. Before what three people did Paul stand trial and briefly what happened with each of them?

18. Where were the last years of Paul spent? When did Paul die and how?

19. What and when did Paul write his first letter? When and from where did Paul write 1 Cor., 2 Cor. and Romans? Which letters were written by Paul in his first Roman imprisonment (prison epistles)?
   What was Paul’s last letter? What books are called the pastoral epistles? Which are the prison epistles [PPEC]?

Readings for this week: **1 John - Revelation 1-5, 12-13, 19-22 on Final Exam**

Things to know in 1 John-Revelation (know these questions)

1 John:
   - What are the 3 things not to love in the world;
   - 1 John 3:1ff What is the great love God has lavished on us;
   - What contradiction in love is pointed out in 1 Jn 4:19f; 

Revelation:
   - what church was lukewarm and why were they that way?
   - Who were the 144,000 who were sealed?
   - What did the 2 witnesses do and what happened to them?
   - Who is the dragon in Rev. 12 (vs. 9);
   - how is the beast coming out of the sea described and what happened to one of his heads and what was the human response?
   - How is the rider on the white horse described in Rev. 19;
   - how is the 1,000 year reign of Christ described in Rev. 20;
   - why is there no temple in the city (Rev. 21:22);
   - What tree is by the river of life and what is it's function.