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# ACTS

THE STORY CONTINUES

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# Today's Message

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**When written?**

**Why written?**

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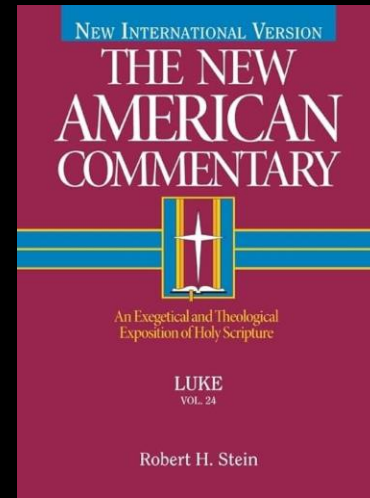
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**Theophilus.** This name means *friend (philyls) of God (theos)*. This probably was the name of a real person rather than a symbolic metaphor or a pseudonym to obscure the real identity of the letter's recipient.

Numerous suggestions about Theophilus's identity have been made; they include a Roman governor, the official who was to hear Paul's case in Rome, and Luke's literary patron. Nevertheless who this person was remains unknown.

~ Robert H. Stein, *Luke*, vol. 24, *The New American Commentary* (Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1992), 66.



# The Teaching Continues

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## 1. Proofs

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## Luke 24

<sup>13</sup>Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup>As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup>but they were kept from recognizing him...

## Luke 24

<sup>33</sup>They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup>and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.”

## Luke 24

<sup>36</sup>While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them,  
“Peace be with you.”

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## 2. Forty Days

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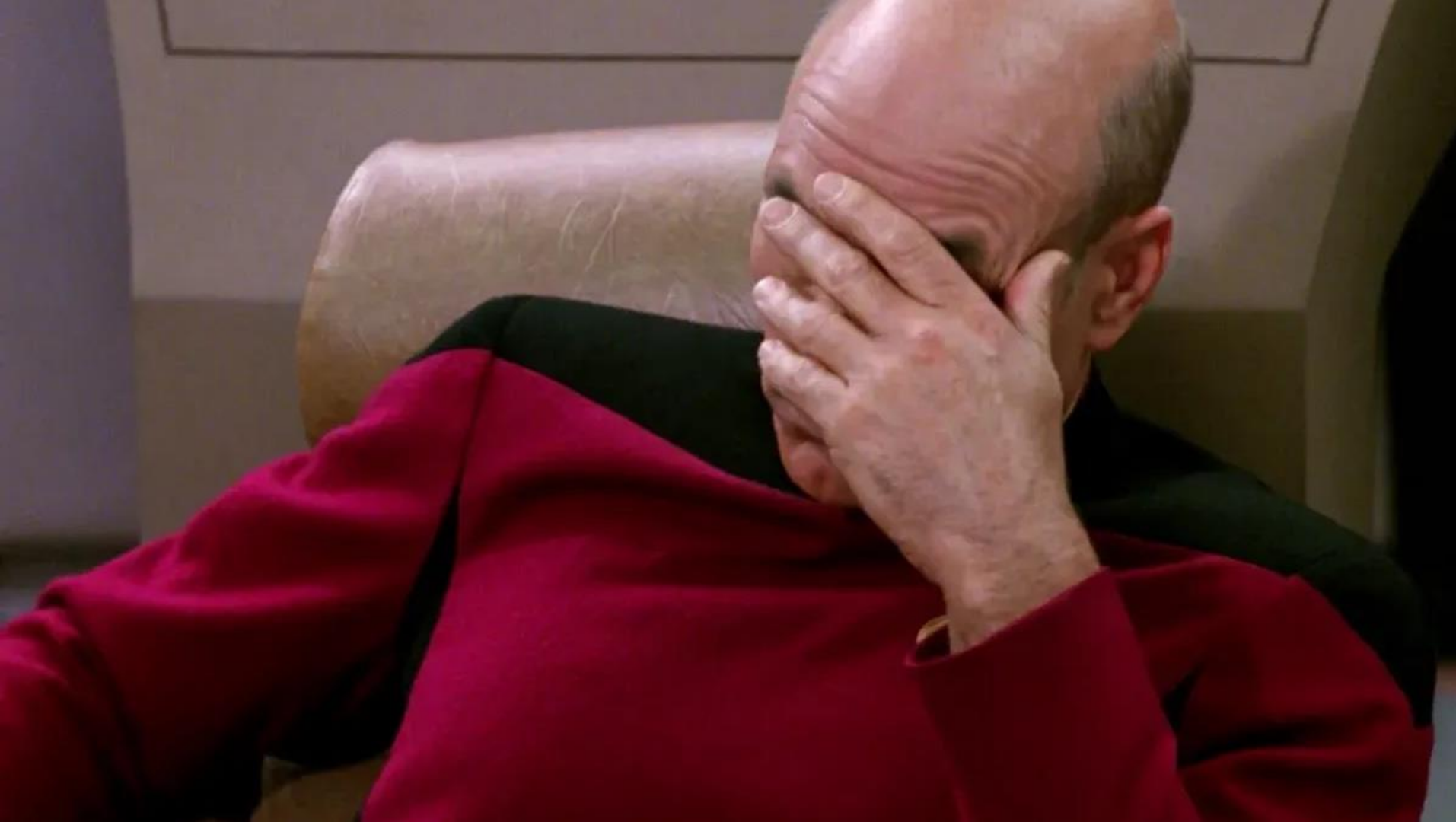
But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

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# **What the OT seems to teach:**

Isn't the BIG IDEA of the Old Testament  
is that Israel is the plan and means  
of salvation for the world?

## Exodus 19:5-6

<sup>5</sup>“Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine,<sup>6</sup> you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”



Israel

A black and white photograph of a crowded rowing team in a boat on the water. The boat is filled with rowers, many wearing life jackets. The water is choppy. The text "The Promise of Abraham THROUGH Christ" is written on the side of the boat.

The Promise of Abraham THROUGH Christ

# Buckle your seat belts, Dorothy... Things are about to get real

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3. Do you bask in the reality that “the story continues” to this very moment, right here in this worship service?