

V. ~~IV.~~

Date of James

A. Negatively

1. Not close to 62 A.D.

The reason this date is ~~selected~~ ^{suggested} is that James shows many similarities to First Peter. But James shows similarities to many writings, dating from 100 B.C. to 150 A.D. Therefore, this doesn't prove that James was written at this time.

2. Not ^{greater} 60 A.D.

The reasons ^{suggested are} for selecting this date is the settled condition of the churches addressed in James and the second generation problem of worldliness. But we don't know how long the churches addressed in James had been in ^{typical} this settled condition and the problem of worldliness may arise in churches in any generation. Therefore, this doesn't prove that James was written at this time.

B. Positively

45-47 A.D. Why?

1. Because of the relationship between James 2 and Paul's ~~preach-~~
~~ing.~~ ^{teaching on justification.}
2. Because of the absence of any reference to the controversy between Jews and Gentiles, particularly with respect to the ritual law.

Note: If James, the Lord's brother, wrote James, it must be dated sometime before 62 A.D. when James was martyred.

~~VI~~ Place of the writing of James
James was written in Jerusalem.

VII Outline of James

A. Introduction 1:1

1. The author
2. The recipients
3. The greeting

B. The Believer and His temptations 1:2-21

1. Testings from without 1:2-12
 - a. Attitude towards trial 1:2
 - b. The result of trial 1:3,4
 - c. Perspective in trial 1:5-8
 - (1) The source of this perspective 1:5
 - (2) The attainment of this perspective 1:6-8
 - d. Irrelevance of social status in trial 1:9-11