

# The Roman Period

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## **The Roman Period: 63 B.C. - 96 A.D.** (159 years)

- A. Pompey takes Palestine and Jerusalem. 63 B.C.
- B. The first Triumvirate: Pompey, Julius Caesar, and Crassus. 60 - 40 B.C. (14 years)
  - 1. John Hyrcanus II. 63 - 40 B.C. (23 years)
  - 2. Julius Caesar murdered. 44 B.C.
- C. The second Triumvirate: Antony, Octavian, and Lepidus. 44- 31 B.C. (13 years)
  - 1. Antigonus II. 40 - 37 B.C. (3 years)
- D. Octavian becomes a sole ruler and takes the title Augustus Caesar. 31 B.C. -14 A.D. (45 years)
  - 1. Antipater.
  - 2. Herod I the Great. 37 - 4 B.C.
  - 3. Jesus' birth.
    - a. Herod Archelaus rules Judea, Samaria, and Idumea. 4 B.C - 34A.D. (10 years)
    - b. Herod Antipas rules Galilee and Perea. 4 B.C. - 39 A.D. (43 years)
    - c. Herod Phillip rules northwestern territory, namely Gaulonitis, Trachonitis, Batanaea, Auranitis, and Panias. 4 B.C. - 34 A.D. (38 years)
- E. Tiberias Caesar. 14- 37 A.D. Public ministry of John the Baptist and Jesus.
- F. Caligula Caesar. 37 - 41 A.D. (4 years)
- G. Claudius Caesar. 41 - 54A.D. (13 years) Paul begins his mission work.
  - 1. Herod Agrippa I rules all Palestine as King. 41 - 44 A.D. (3 years) James, the son of Zebedee is martyred and Peter is imprisoned.
- H. Nero Caesar. 54 - 68 A.D. (14 years) Rome burned and Christians were persecuted in 64 A.D.
  - 1. Roman proeurators rule Palestine. 44 - 66 A.D. (22 years)
    - a. Cuspius Fadus. 44 -?
    - b. Tiberias Alexnader. ? - 48 A.D.
    - c. Cumanus. 48 - 52 A.D. (4 years)
    - d. Felix. 52 - 60 A.D. (8 years) Most important one.
    - e. Festus. 60 - 62 A.D. (2 years)
    - f. Gessius Florus. 64 - 66 A.D. (2 years)
- I. Striving for power between Galba, Otho, Vitellinus, and Vespasian. 68 - 69

A.D. (1 year)

J. Vespasian. 69 - 79 A.D. (10 years)

1. Jewish war. 66- 70A.D. Fall of Jerusalem in 70 A.D. Results of this crisis on Palestinian Judaism (4 years)

K. Titus. 79 - 81 A.D. (2 years)

L. Domitian. 81 - 96A.D. (15 years)

1. Further persecution of Christians.

2. John on the Island of Patmos.