

# The Herods - Part 2

## HEROD AGRIPPA I

- The son of Aristobulus and Bernice
- Grandson of Herod the Great
- Brother of Herodias
- Married Azizus, king of Emesa
- Tetrarch of Bantanea and Trachonitis beginning in A.D. 37
  - Galilee and Perea were included in his tetrarchy in A.D. 39
  - From A.D. 41-44 he was king of Judea, Batanea, Trachonitis, Perea and Galilee
- Had three daughters and one son
  - Bernice — married her uncle, king of Chalcis; then Polemon, king of Cilicia, and lived with her brother, Herod Agrippa II (Acts 25:13)
  - Drusilla — Married king Azizus and later became the 3rd wife of the procurator, Antonius Felix (Acts 24:24)
  - Mariamne
  - Herod Agrippa II
- Persecuted the early church and had James, the



## HEROD AGRIPPA II

- Son of Herod Agrippa I
- Made king of Galilee, Perea, and part of Judea by Nero
- The relationship which he sustained with his sister, Bernice, was held in great suspicion
- His armies participated in the assault on Jerusalem during the Jewish war
- He and Bernice moved to Rome in A.D. 75
- Heard Paul's case at Caesarea and said, ". . . Paul, 'You almost persuade me to become a Christian.'" Acts 25:13 - 26:32
- Died in A.D. 100, thus ending the Herodian dynasty

## BERNICE

- Sister of Herod Agrippa II and the daughter of Agrippa I and Kypros
- Married Marcus, the son of Alexander
- Married Herod III, king of Chalcis (her uncle)
- Upon the death of Herod III, she apparently lived incestuously with her brother, Agrippa II
- Married Polemon, king of Cilicia, left him after a brief stay and returned to Agrippa II
- Was with Agrippa II when she heard Paul's case at the request of Festus (Acts 25:13-26:32)
- Moved to Rome with Agrippa II in A.D. 75
- Subsequently became the mistress of Vespasian and Titus
- Was banished by Titus