

Fast Facts on

Herod the Great



Born: 73 BC

Nationality: Idumean/Edomite but held Roman citizenship

Titles:

- 46 BC *Governor of Coele-Syria* appointed by Rome
- 30 BC *King of the Jews*, appointed by Roman Emperor Augustus (Octavian)

Wives and Children:

- Doris
 - Anitpater II
- Mariamne I
 - Alexander
 - Aristobulus IV
 - Salampsio (daughter)
 - Cypros (daughter)
- Mariamne II
 - Herod II
- Malthace
 - Herod Archelaus
 - Herod Antipas
 - Olympias (daughter)
- Cleopatra of Jerusalem
 - Philip
 - Herod
- Pallas
 - Phasael
- Phaedra
 - Roxanne (daughter)
- Elpis
 - Salome
- 2 additional wives whose names and children are not recorded
 - Unknown number of children

Parents:

- Father: Anipater (Idumaea)
- Mother: Cypros (Nabatea)

Bible References:

- Matthew 2

Known for:

- Slaughter of the Innocent at the time of Jesus' birth
- Massive building projects:
 - Building the Palace/Fortress at Masada
 - Remodeling the Temple and expanding the Temple area in Jerusalem
 - Building The Herodium Palace, outside of Bethlehem
 - Building and the port of Caesarea Maritima
 - Civic projects in Jerusalem

Died: In the city of Jericho, spring of 4 BC or spring of 1 BC

Buried: The Herodium, near Bethlehem

My Notes on *Herod the Great*

Endnotes for Herod the Great

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