

Jesus of Nazareth

September 11, 02 BC to May 15, 33 AD

Contemporaries and Intertwined Events

Date	Events	Text (if applicable) Source or Rationale (if contested)
<p>The World into which Jesus was Born (Click on the item or hyperlink for information.)</p>		
ROME		
<p><u>Julius Caesar</u> 47-44 BCE 3992-3995 BD</p>	<p><u>Civil War</u> (Ultimately Octavian vs. Anthony) 44-27 BCE 3995-4012 BD</p>	<p><u>Caesar Augustus</u> 27 BCE-8/19/14 CE 4012-4052 BD</p>
		<p><u>Tiberius</u> 13-37 CE 4052-4075 BD</p>
SYRIA		
<p><u>Initial Roman Occupation</u></p>	<p><u>Parthian Occupation</u></p>	<p><u>Herod</u> 30-17 BCE</p>
		<p><u>Later Roman Occupation</u></p>
Egypt		
<p><u>Cleopatra VII</u> 52-36 BCE</p>	<p><u>Roman</u> *<u>Ptolemy XV</u> 36-30 BCE</p>	<p><u>Occupation</u></p>
Judea-Galilee		
<p><u>Antipater</u> (67-47 BCE)</p>	<p><u>Phasael</u> 47-40 BCE ** <u>Herod</u> 47-39 BCE</p>	<p><u>Herod</u> 37-1 BCE</p>
	<p>**<u>Antigonus</u> 40-37</p>	<p>(<u>Coponius, Archelaus</u>) 1 BCE-6 CE</p>
		<p><u>Herod Galilee</u></p>
		<p><u>Antipas</u> 1 BCE-39 CE</p>
High Priests		
<p><u>Hyrcanus II</u> 63-40 BCE</p>	<p>* <u>Joshua-Phiabi</u> 35-22 BCE</p>	<p> Si ** <u>Annas</u> 6-15 CE</p>
	<p>40-37 *<u>Antigonus, Anael, Astrobulus</u> 37-35 35 BCE</p>	<p>**<u>Matthias--Sie</u></p>
		<p>*** <u>Caiaphas</u> 18-36 CE</p>
		<p>*** <u>Ishmael-Simon</u></p>
<u>The Childhood of Jesus</u>		

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Sept 19, 2 BC	The <u>Circumcision of Jesus</u> in Bethlehem	If born on 9/11/-2, <u>Luke 2:21</u>
Oct 20, 2 BC	Mary's seclusion following childbirth ends	<u>Luke 2:22</u>
Late Oct, 2 BC	<u>Dedication of Jesus</u> as Mary's first born child.	<u>Luke 2:23-39a</u>
Dec 25, 2 BC	Approximate date of the <u>visit by the Magi</u> . Of Jesus at about 3 ½ months of age.	<u>Matthew 2:1-12</u> For more, see " <u>The Star of Bethlehem</u> " lecture.
Dec 25, 2 BC	Approximate date of the Holy Family's <u>escape into Egypt</u> .	<u>Matthew 2:13-18</u>
Jan 10-31? 1 BC	Death of <u>Herod</u> . <u>Herod's death</u> is dated from a lunar eclipse shortly before he died. The eclipse of 3/13/-4, which is generally the source of dating Herod's death, did not leave adequate time for his elaborate burial. The one on 1/10/-1 came 12.5 weeks before Passover, giving adequate time.	<u>Matthew 2:19-20</u> . Josephus tells us that Herod executed two rabbis on the night of a lunar eclipse and died shortly thereafter. For more, see " <u>The Star of Bethlehem</u> " lecture.
Apr 1 BC	Judea divided among Herod's sons. Following his death, <u>Archelaus</u> began his rule before Passover. <u>Matthias ben Theophilus</u> initially appointed as High Priest, but replaced by Joasar ben Beothus	
Apr-May 1 BC	<u>Holy Family's Return</u> to Nazareth	<u>Matthew 2:20-23; Luke 2:39b-40</u>
6 AD	Judea became a Roman province; Archelaus deposed, <u>Coponius</u> appointed Procurator of Judea	
6 AD	<u>Annas</u> appointed High Priest by <u>Quirinius</u> , governor of Syria	
9 AD	<u>Marcus Ambivious</u> appointed procurator of Judea	
12 AD	<u>Tiberius</u> becomes co-ruler with <u>Augustus</u> ; assumed to be appointed on 1/1 since there was no death (normal date of taking office)	

12 AD Annius Rufus becomes Procurator of Judea
with the ascension of Tiberius as co-rer

Late Mar 12 AD At 12, Jesus visits the temple

Luke 2:41-52

Aug 19, 14 AD Augustus dies at Nola at age 75

Tiberius becomes sole ruler of Rome

15 AD Valerius Gratus appointed as Procurator of
Judea by Tiberius

Ishmael ben Fabus appointed High Priest by
Valerius Gratus

16 AD Eleasar ben Annas appointed as High Priest;
Fabus family out.

17 AD Simon ben Camith appointed High Priest.
Third family competing for office.

18 AD Caiaphas son-in-law of Annas, appointed High
Priest, Annas family recovers power.

26 AD Pontius Pilate appointed to replace Valerius
Gratus as Procurator

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