# ARTIFACTS THAT MATTER

#### THE BIBLE IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM

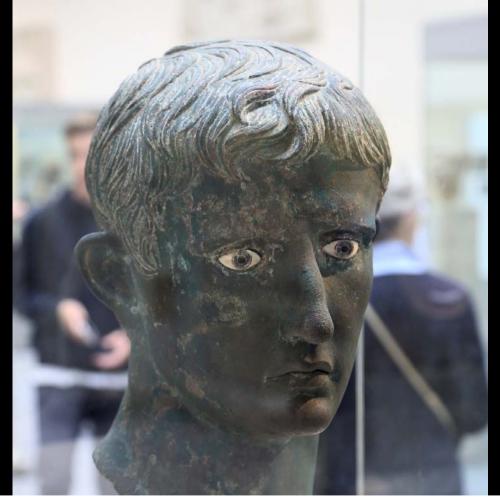
Part 7 New Testament

### Purpose of this series

- Support the Bible
  - Real places
  - Real people
  - Real events
  - Accurate descriptions
- Better understand the Bible
- To understand that more knowledge of history enriches our understanding of the Bible.

## Do you know...

- Who the first President was?
- Who the first governor of Idaho was?
  - William H. Wallace (1863)
  - George Laird Shoup (1890)



"Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth." Lk. 2:1





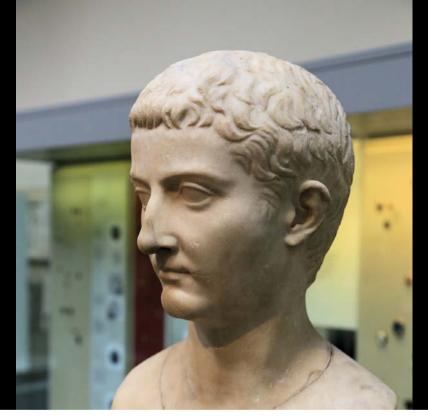


Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments, but rather by means of good works, as is proper for women making a claim to godliness. A woman must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness.

I Timothy 2:9-11



Your adornment must not be merely external—braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God. I Pet. 3:3-4



Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip was tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, Luke 3:1





Caesar Claudius (Acts 11:28; 18:2) Herod Agrippa (Acts 12 - only referred to as Herod)



#### Herod the Great



Pontius Pilate



Philip the Tetrarch (Mt. 14:3; Mk. 6:17; Lk. 3:1)



"Judea Capta" Matthew 24







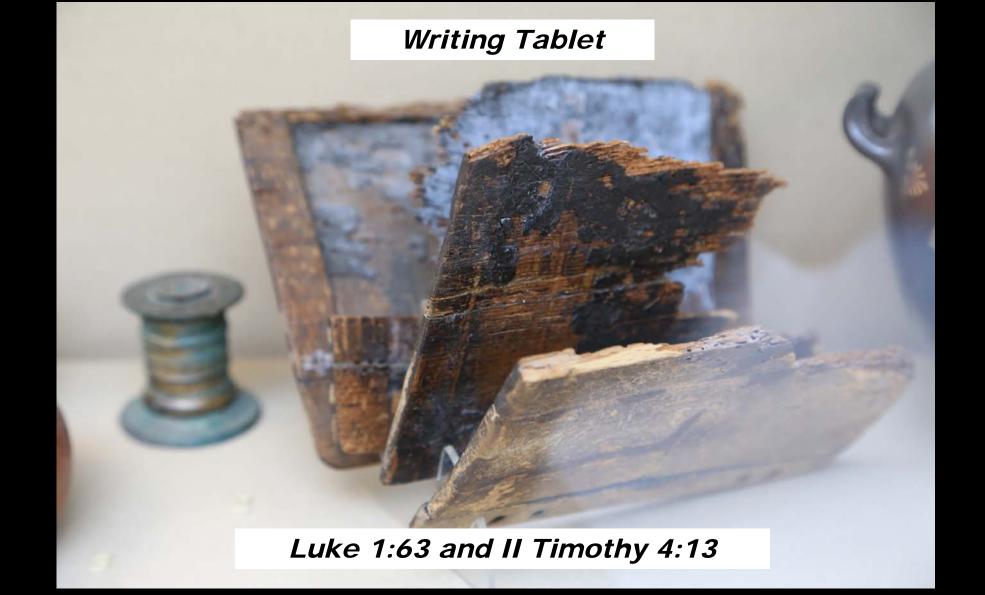
"I box in such a way, as not beating the air" I Corinthians 9:26b



If from human motives I fought with wild beasts at Ephesus, what does it profit me? If the dead are not raised, LET US EAT AND DRINK, FOR TOMORROW WE DIE.

I Corinthians 15:32







"Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse."

Romans 12:14

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#### Coin from biblical times Roman Empire, AD 14-37

Jews objected to having to pay taxes using coins that showed an image of the Roman emperor and referred to him as a god. The bible reports that when Jesus was questioned about this, he asked to see the coin, which was probably one like this. He then replied 'Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's.'

Two silver denarius coins, minted in Lyon, issued by Tiberius, AD 14–37, Treasure Trove, H.M. Treasury





Coins used in Jerusalem Judaea (southern Israel and southern Palestine), AD 38-9

The Temple in Jerusalem required every adult Jewish male to pay a half-shekel in tax. Tyrian shekels like these were preferred to the local Roman coinage as they had a higher silver content. This is why money-changers were operating at the Temple (as referred to in the Bible).

- 1. Two silver half-shekels of Tyre, Lebanon, (left) AD 41–2 and (right) AD 38
- 2. Silver tetradrachm coin, minted in Antioch, issued by Augustus, about 3 BC, Thomas Burgon Collection







Is any other religious text so richly filled with historical accuracy as the Bible is?