

Acts Series

Lesson #6

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# The Acts of the Apostles

## “To the end of the earth”

### Acts 1:8

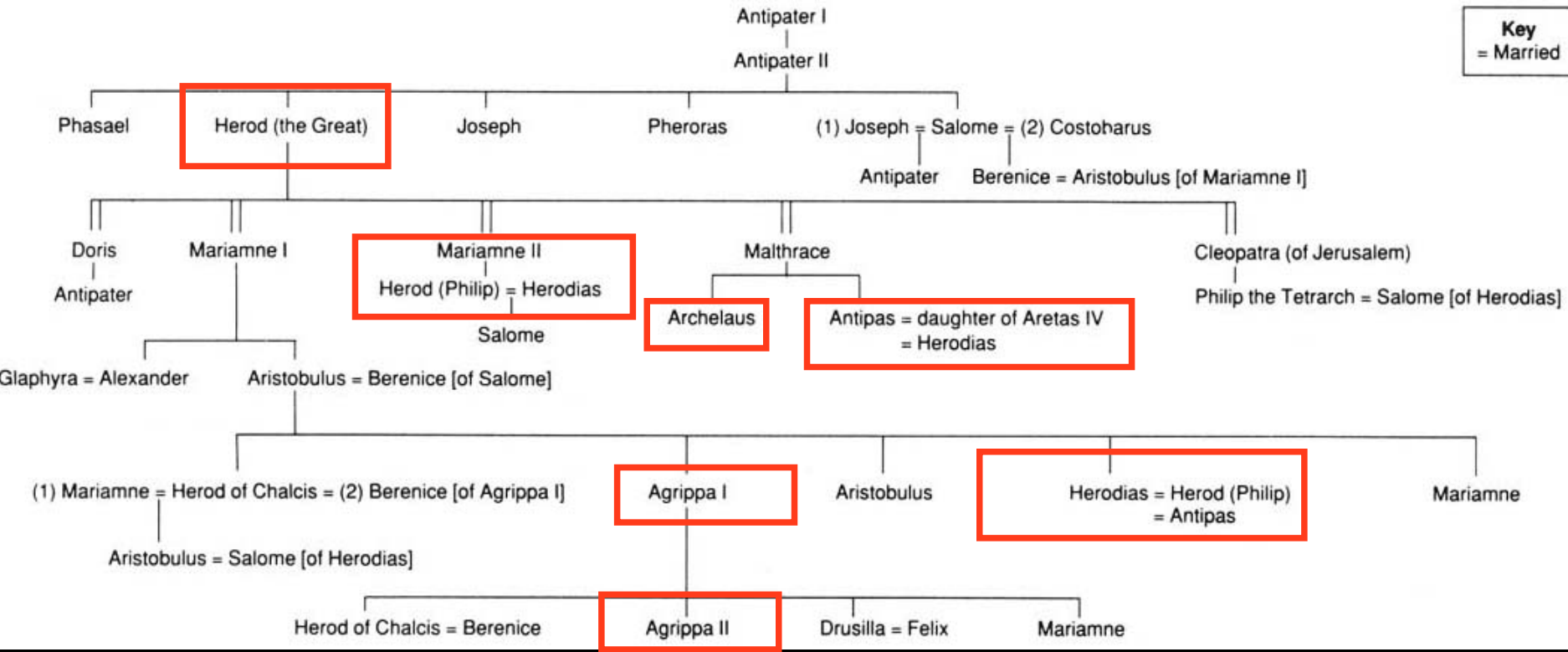


- Extent of Herod's kingdom
- Herodian fortress city
- Decapolis city (time of Herod)
- Other city

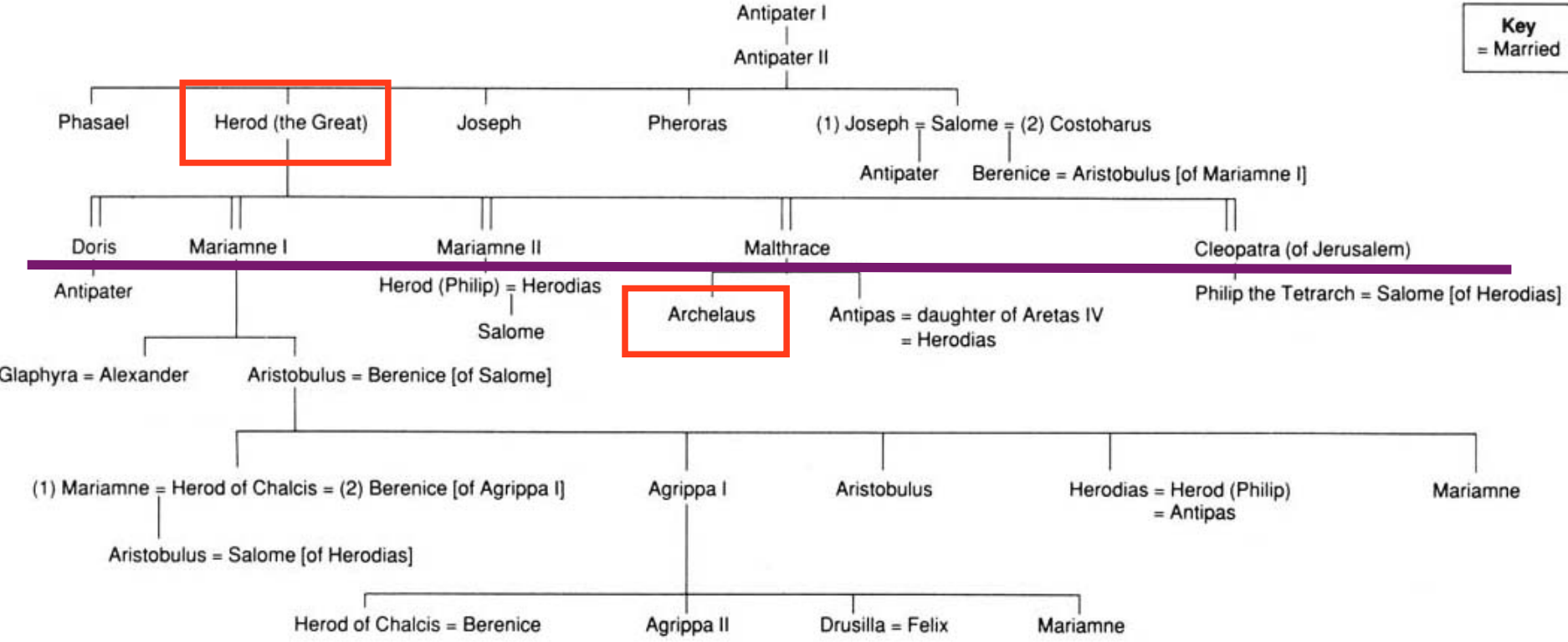


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| JUDAEA<br>37-4 BC<br><b>King Herod the Great</b> | GALILEE<br>37-4 BC<br><b>King Herod the Great</b>      | ITURAEA <i>etc.</i><br>22-4 BC<br><b>King Herod the Great</b> |
| 4 BC-AD 6<br><b>Herod Archelaus,</b><br>ethnarch | 4 BC-AD 39<br><b>Herod-Antipas,</b><br><b>tetrarch</b> | 4 BC-AD 34<br><b>Herod Philip, tetrarch</b>                   |
| 41-44<br><b>King Herod Agrippa I</b>             | 39-44<br><b>King Herod Agrippa I</b>                   | 37-44<br><b>King Herod Agrippa I</b>                          |
|  | 56/61-93(?) (parts)<br><b>King Herod Agrippa II</b>    | 50-93(?) <b>King Herod Agrippa II</b>                         |

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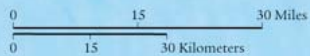


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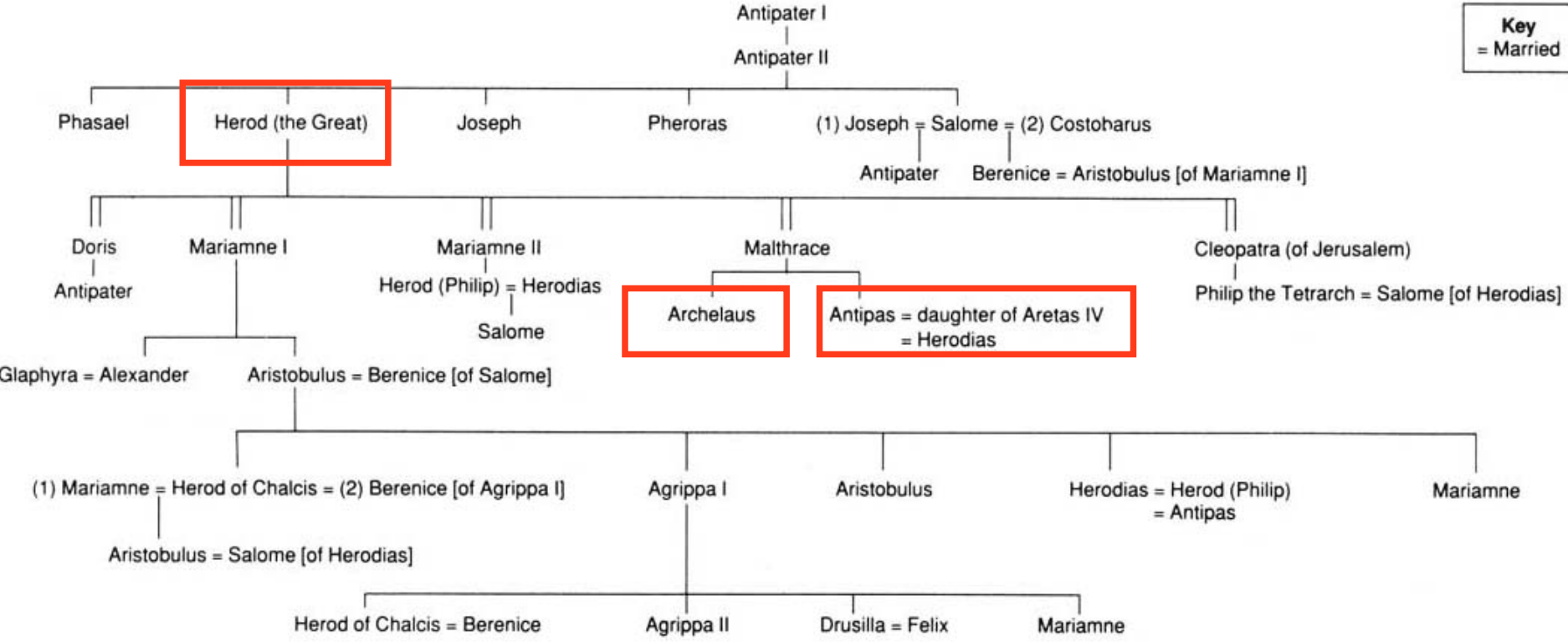


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- ⊙ Decapolis city
- ⊙ Cities Salome gave to his sister
- ▭ Boundary of Herod the Great's Kingdom
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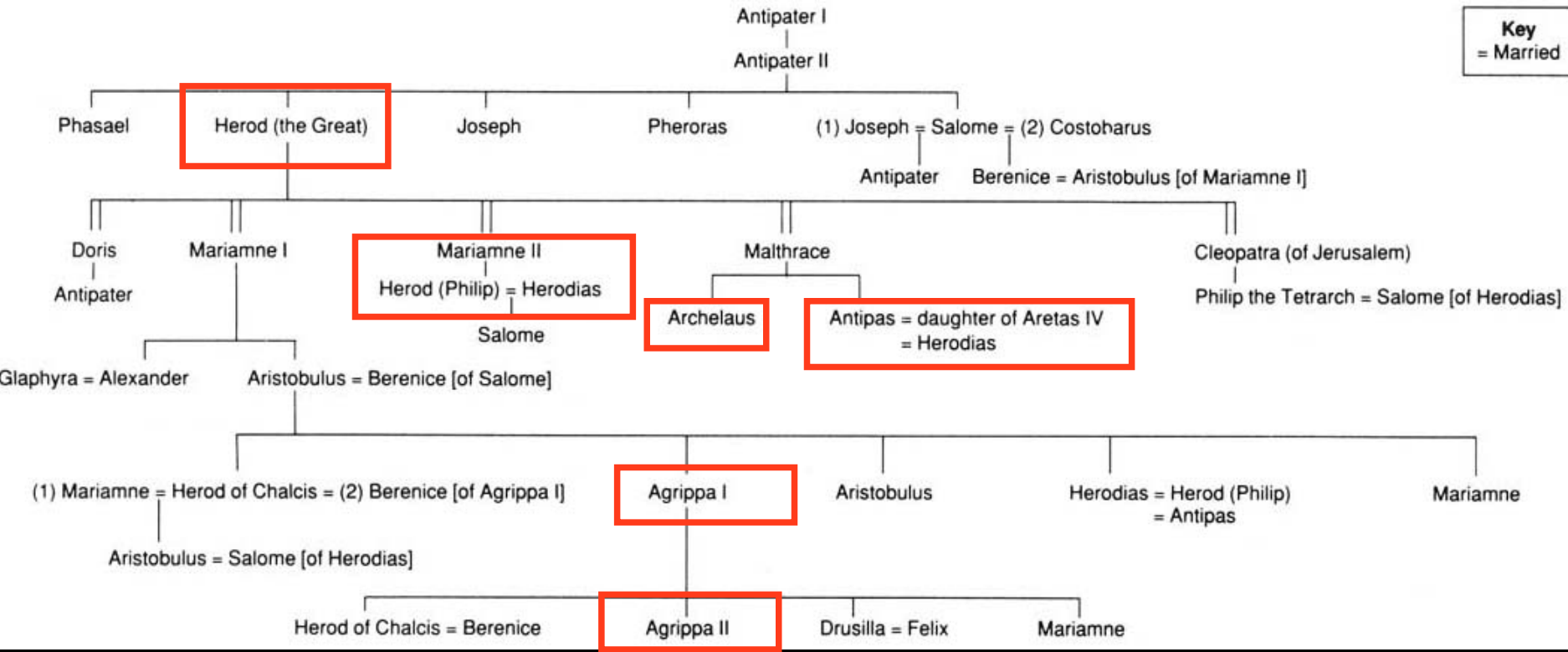


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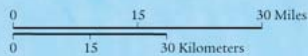


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**A. Acts 2:47, “praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.”**

**B. Acts 6:7, “Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.”**

**C. Acts 9:31, “Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.”**

**D. Acts 12:24, “But the word of God grew and multiplied.”**

**E. Acts 16:5, “So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily.”**

**F. Acts 19:20, “So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.”**



**G. Acts 28:31, “preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.”**

| Focus     | Witness in Jerusalem    |      | Witness in Judea & Samaria |                          | Witness to the Ends of the Earth |                          |                       |       |                     |
|-----------|-------------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------|---------------------|
|           | 1:1                     | 6:7  | 6:8                        | 12:25                    | 13:1                             | 28:31                    |                       |       |                     |
| Divisions | Power of the Church     |      | Progress of the Church     |                          | Expansion of the Church          |                          | Paul's Three Journeys |       | Paul's Three Trials |
|           | 1:1                     | 2:47 | 3:1                        | 6:7                      | 6:8                              | 12:25                    | 13:1                  | 21:16 | 21:17               |
| Topics    | Jews                    |      |                            | Samaritans               |                                  | Gentiles                 |                       |       |                     |
|           | Peter                   |      |                            | Philip                   |                                  | Paul                     |                       |       |                     |
| Place     | Jerusalem               |      |                            | Judea & Samaria          |                                  | Uttermost Part           |                       |       |                     |
| Time      | 2 Years<br>(A.D. 33–35) |      |                            | 13 Years<br>(A.D. 35–48) |                                  | 14 Years<br>(A.D. 48–62) |                       |       |                     |

## **Outline**

- I. God, through the Holy Spirit, authenticates, empowers, and directs the apostles' witness in Jerusalem (1:1–6:7).**
  
- II. God expands the witness of the Church into Judea and Samaria (6:8–9:31).**
  
- III. God expands the church to the end of the earth (9:32–28:31).**

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**Luke 1:3, “it seemed fitting for me as well, having investigated everything carefully from the beginning, to write it out for you in consecutive order, most excellent Theophilus;”**

Josephus dedicated his *Jewish Antiquities*, his *Autobiography*, and his two volumes *Against Apion* to a patron named Epaphroditus.

At the beginning of the first volume, *Against Apion*, he addresses him as

“Epaphroditus, most excellent of men”.

The second volume of the same work is introduced with the words:

“By means of the former volume, my most honored Epaphroditus, I have demonstrated our antiquity.”

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ἄρχω *archo*

aor mid indic 3 sing

to begin; (mid.) to rule over



**Acts 1:2, “until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen,”**

**until which day he was taken up, he had already given orders to the apostles whom he had chosen through the Holy Spirit.**