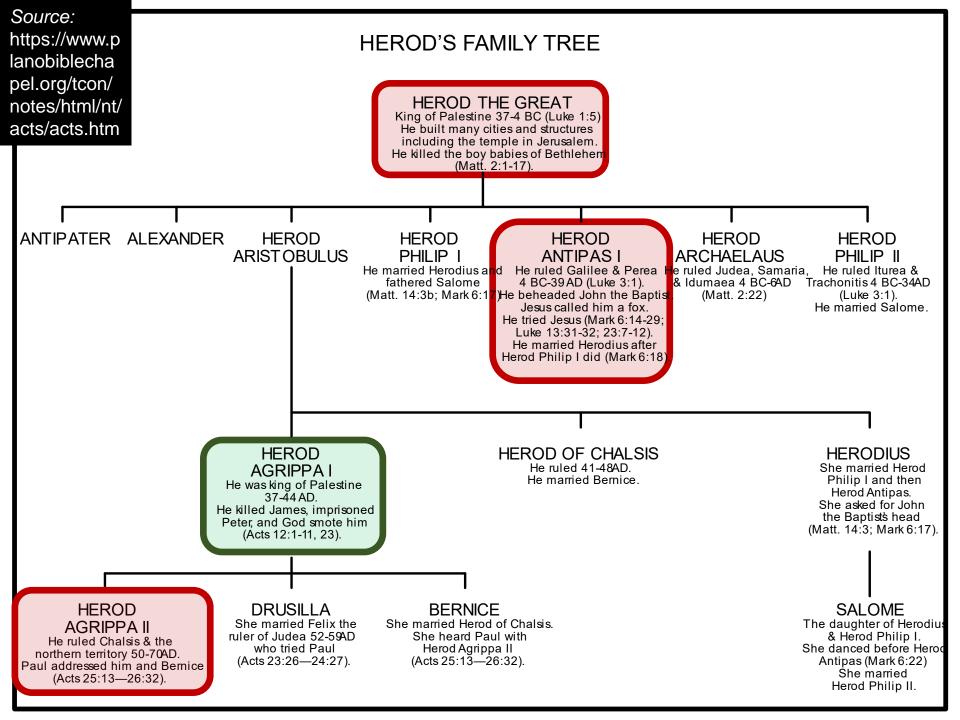


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"He put on a garment made wholly of silver, and of a contexture truly wonderful, and came into the theatre early in the morning; at which time the silver of his garment, being illuminated by the fresh reflection of the sun's rays upon it, shone out after a surprising manner, and was so resplendent as to spread a horror over those that looked intently upon him; and presently his flatterers cried out, one from one place, and another from another (though not for his good), that he was a god...A severe pain also arose in his belly, and began in a most violent manner... when he had been quite worn out by the pain in his belly for five days, he departed this life."

(Antiquities, XIX.8.2)

- 1. We need to encourage each other "to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose."
- 2. Prayer is effective because God is omnipotent.
- 3. Failing to give God the glory has disastrous consequences.