Gentile Presence in the Holy Land: Roman and Hellenistic Influences

1. What Roman and Hellenistic (aka. Greek) influences contributed to the spread of Christianity? (Pg. 17-18 of textbook for reference)

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| **Roman Influences** | **Greek Influences** |
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1. In the days of Jesus, what religious influences existed? Mention an aspect of each of the influences. (pg. 20-21 of textbook)

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| **Roman** | **Eastern Mystery Cults** | **Mithraism** |
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1. **Herod the Great** was a Roman-appointed governor of Israel. He ruled during Jesus’ lifetime. Despite his terrible reputation, he accomplished much for his kingdom. (pg. 17-18)

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| 1. Describe Herod’s personality. How did this affect the people around him?
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| 1. Why was Herod so distrusted by the Jews?
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1. If you could create a facebook account for Herod the Great, what would it look like?

