Sacred Land: Common Ground?

The Big Picture

Antiquity in Israel/Palestine

- 3200-1200:   Bronze Age
- 1200-1000:   Iron Age I
- 1000-586:   Iron Age II: Israelite Monarchies
- 586-332:   Persian Period: Exile & Return
- 323-63:   Hellenistic Period
- 63-324:   Roman Period
- 324-638:   Byzantine Period

Islamic Empires and Today

- 638-1099:   Arab Period
- 1099-1291:   Crusader Kingdoms
- 1250-1517:   Mamluk Period
- 1517-1918:   Ottoman Period
- 1918-1948:   British Mandate
- 1948-   State of Israel
- 1967-   Occupation of West Bank

Hellenistic-Late Second Temple

- 323-201:   Ptolemaic Egypt in Control
- 201:   Seleucid Syria in Control
- 167-64:   Maccabean Revolt (Hannukah)
- 142-63:   Hasmonean Monarchy
- 63:   Rome (Pompey) invades
- 40-6:   Herod the Great
-                        Temple Reconstructed
- 66-70:   Revolt Against Rome

Temple Mount SW Corner

Monumental Staircase - South

Herod the Builder: Herodion

Herodion from above

Inside the Herodion

Masada

Theater at Caesarea

Jews in the Land

- 70-73:   Destruction of Jerusalem/Masada
- 95:   "Council of Javneh/Jamnia"
- 135:   Expelled from Jerusalem (Aelia Capitolina); Centered in Galilee
- 200-225: R. Judah the Prince: Mishnah
- 363:   Julian the Apostate: New Temple?
- 300-500: Jerusalem Talmud

Qumran

Gamla (Golan)

The Western ("Wailing") Wall

Theater at Sepphoris

Capernaum Synagogue

Yad Ve-Shem

Christians in Israel/Palestine

- 30:   Death of Jesus
- 49:   Apostolic Council in Jerusalem
- 70:   Destruction of Jerusalem
- 230-251: Origen at Caesarea, Library, School
- 324:   Constantine becomes sole emperor
- 325:   Council of Nicaea
- 326:   Church of Holy Sepulchre started
- 330:   Constantinople Founded
- 451:   Council of Chalcedon

Church of the Holy Sepulchre

Church of the Nativity

Peter's House (?): Capernaum

Garden Tomb

Crusader Fortifications: Caesarea

Muslims in the Land

- 632:   Death of Mohammad
- 632-661:   First Caliphs
- 638:   Jerusalem conquered ('Umar)
- 661-750:   Ummayid Caliphs (Damascus)
- 691:   Dome of the Rock
- 750-1258:   Abbasid Caliphs (Bagdad)

Haram As-Sharif

Al Aqsa