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Rome:

- **The Colosseum** - the oval shaped arena where 50,000 Romans could watch gladiators battle.
- **Circus Maximus** - the U-shaped structure where fantastic chariot races took place for 100,000 Romans to enjoy.
- **Aqueducts** - the large structures that carried thousands of gallons of water into Rome
- **Catacombs** – underground passageways and cemeteries where early Christians of Rome had to practice their religion due to persecution.



Pompeii

- Wealthy city located on the Italian peninsula at the base of Mount Vesuvius, an active volcano.
- There were signs the volcano was active
 - Earthquakes and tremors
 - Geysers
 - Ground deformation
- Erupted on August 24th, 79 AD
- The people and the city were quickly buried in ash from the eruption.
 - This made it the best preserved Roman site in the world
 - Archeologists and historians could actually view the daily lives of the Romans.

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Famous People:

- **Zealots** - A small group of Hebrews that openly opposed Roman rule in Judea and rebelled.
- **Jesus of Nazareth** – founder of the **Christianity** faith that developed during the conflict between the Hebrews and Romans in Judea.
- **Paul** – using Roman Roads, took the message of Christianity to cities in Asia Minor, Syria, Greece, and Rome
- **Nero** – Emperor during the great fire of Rome in 64 AD. Claimed that the Christians were responsible for the fire and used it as an excuse to persecute and execute them.
- **Diocletian** – 3rd century AD emperor who tried to restore unity to Rome. Persecuted and killed Christians that refused follow ordered worship to the Roman Gods.
- **Martyr** – someone who went to their deaths for their beliefs or faith.