Judea Under Roman Rule

Each of the 11 classes will include a lecture with PowerPoint slides. Comments and questions are invited throughout the lecture portion. Video segments to be shown. Topics considered involve the formative roots of Jews and Romans, the First Temple period, The Second Temple period, and the Roman Republic, Hellenism, Pompey's Capture of Judea in 63 BCE, Essenes, and the Dead Sea Scrolls. The impact of domination. The destruction of the Jerusalem Temple, the Siege of Masada. Hadrian. The destruction of Jerusalem. Constantine. The end of Roman Occupation. A syllabus will be forthcoming before the start of class.