

## Timeline of the Years Surrounding 70 AD

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### Legend:

Ant – Josephus' Antiquities of the Jews

Wars – Josephus' Wars of the Jews

Eus – Eusebius' Ecclesiastical Church History

Cass - Cassius Dio, Roman History link [<http://moellerhaus.com/Diocassius/dio64.htm>]

Other historian... Suetonius?

year	date	event	source	caesar
51 AD		① Earthquake in Rome	Tacitus	Nero
51 AD		① Earthquake in Judea, massive	Josephus	Nero
59 AD	Oct ?	① Nero has his mother murdered	Cass 61-16.3	Nero
59 AD	Oct ?	① During his mother's funeral, the sun suffered a total eclipse and the stars could be seen	Cass 61-16.3	Nero
59 AD	Oct ?	① As Nero's dinner is brought to him, lightning strikes it and consumes it in front of him	Cass 61-16.3	Nero
61 AD		① Earthquake in Colossae, Hieropolis, Laodicea, destroys all 3 cities, only Laodicea is rebuilt	Tacitus, Eusebius, Orosius	Nero
61 AD		① Earthquake in Crete	Tacitus, Philostratus	Nero
61 AD		① Earthquakes in Smyrna, Miletus, Chios, and Samos, in "all places the Jews had settled"	Philostratus	Nero
62 AD		Apostle James is thrown from the temple pinnacle by High Priest Ananias, and beaten to death with clubs	Ant. 20. 19-203	Nero
62 AD	Oct 7	Feast of Tabernacles		Nero
62 AD	Oct	Jesus ben Ananus runs through the city crying "Woe", for 7 years	Wars 6.5.3, Eus 3.8.1	Nero
63 AD				Nero
64 AD	Jul	Great Fire of Rome		Nero
64 AD		Apostle Paul beheaded in Rome by Nero		Nero
65 AD	Apr 3	Light shines around the temple for a ½ hour	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Apr 3	Star appears as a Sword over Jerusalem, lasts a year	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Apr 3	Comet appears in the sky, lasts a year	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Apr 9	Passover	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Apr 9	East gate of Jerusalem opens by itself	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Apr 9	Virgin cow gives birth to a lamb in the temple	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	May 16	Angelic armies are seen waging war in the heavens, and around cities	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD	Jun 2	Pentecost		Nero
65 AD	Jun 2	Priests in the temple felt an earthquake and heard a multitude of voices saying "Let us remove hence!"	Wars 6.5.3	Nero
65 AD		Apostle Thaddaeus crucified by Magi in Persia		Nero
65 AD		① Apostle John receives the book of Revelation	Rev 17:7-13	Nero
65 AD		① Earthquakes in Laodicea and Campania ("during the reign of Nero")	Tacitus, Philostratus, Seneca	Nero
66 AD				Nero
67 AD	Feb 6	Countdown of 3 1/2 years of Tribulation starts		Nero
67 AD		Jewish high priesthood ceases, high priest is drawn by lots	Wars 4.3.8	Nero
68 AD	Jun 8	Galba becomes Caesar	Wars 4.9.2	Galba
68 AD	Jun 9	Nero commits suicide	Wars 4.9.2	Galba
68 AD		① Earthquake in Rome	Suetonius	Galba
69 AD	Jan 15	Otho becomes Caesar	Wars 4.9.2	Otho
69 AD		① A comet was seen	Cass 65:8	Otho
69 AD		① The moon eclipsed twice, 3 days apart (Wednesday, Saturday)	Cass 65:8	Otho
69 AD		① People saw 2 suns at once, one weak/pale and one brilliant/powerful	Cass 65:8	Otho
69 AD		① Huge footprints seen by soldiers at the capital, they said that the door of temple of Jupiter had opened by itself, some fainted	Cass 65:8	Otho
69 AD	Apr 17	Caesar Otho murdered, Vitellias becomes Caesar	Wars 4.9.9	Vitellius
69 AD		① Moon is eclipsed, appears both blood-colored and black, and gave out other colors, days before Vitellius' death	Cass 65-11	Vitellius

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69 AD	Dec 22	Caesar Vitellius beheaded, Vespasian becomes Caesar, Titus' army sent to Jerusalem	Wars 4.11.4, 4.11.5	Vespasian
70 AD		🚨 Earthquake in Jerusalem, accompanied by a violent storm, rain, continuous lightnings and thunder, as if an indication of coming destruction	Wars 4.4.5	Vespasian
70 AD	Mar 7	Titus' army arrives	Wars 5	Vespasian
70 AD	Mar	Jesus ben Ananus killed by catapult stone	Wars 6.5.3	Vespasian
70 AD	Aug 6	Temple burnt to the ground	Wars 6.4	Vespasian
70 AD	Aug 6	🚨 Roman Day of Saturn	Cass 66-7.2	Vespasian
70 AD		Apostle Matthias stoned and beheaded		Vespasian
70 AD		Apostle Bartholomew flayed to death with a whip in Armenia		Vespasian
70 AD		Apostle Andrew crucified in Patras, Achaia	Hippolytus	Vespasian
71 AD				Vespasian
72 AD		Flavian Amphitheatre built with Jewish slave labor		Vespasian
73 AD	Apr 15	Fortress of Masada falls to the Roman armies, Jews commit group suicide to avoid imprisonment		Vespasian