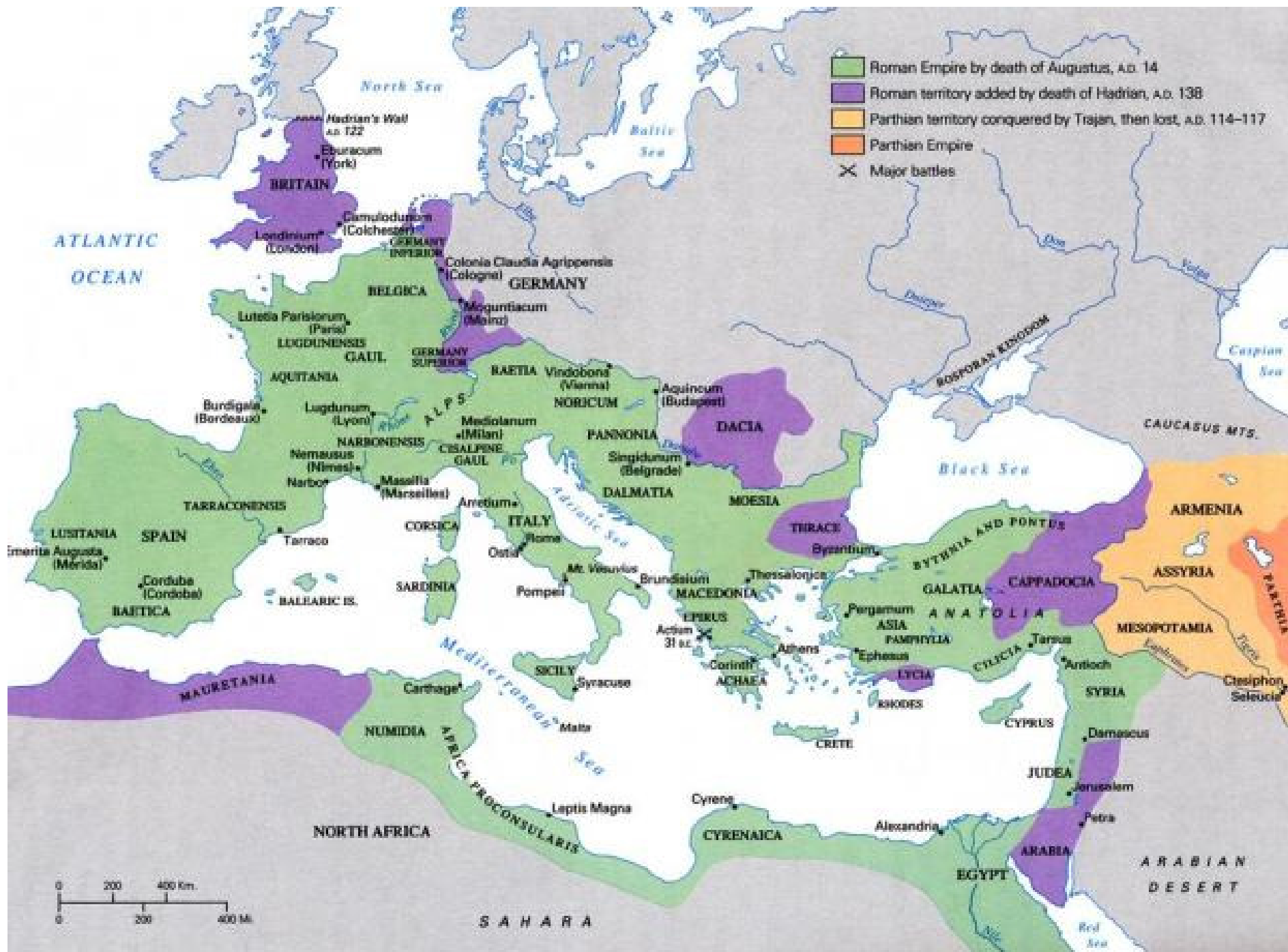


# Insights from Luke

## An Inglorious Greeting for a Glorious King

Luke 2:1-7





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## **Luke 2:1-3**

“<sup>1</sup> Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. <sup>2</sup> This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup> And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city.”

Assyrians  
Babylonians  
Medo-Persians  
Greeks  
Romans

Rome was hated because...

1. Gentiles were unclean.
2. Blatant idolatry.
3. Oppressive taxation.

A census to be taken of **all**  
the inhabited earth.

## **Acts 5:37**

“<sup>37</sup> After this man, Judas of Galilee rose up in the days of the census and drew away some people after him; he too perished, and all those who followed him were scattered.”

## **Luke 2:2**

“<sup>2</sup> This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria.”



## **Luke 2:4-5**

“<sup>4</sup> Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, <sup>5</sup> in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child.”

## **Micah 5:2**

“<sup>2</sup> But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity.”

## **Luke 2:6-7**

“<sup>6</sup> While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup> And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.”

**While he deserved a royal  
baby's room, he came into  
the world in a barn.**

“Silent Night”  
or  
“Labor of Love”

**Consider why  
Jesus was born in  
such a lowly state.**

The depravity of our sin.

## **Isaiah 1:3**

“<sup>3</sup> An ox knows its owner, And a donkey its master's manger, But Israel does not know, My people do not understand.”

## **John 1:11**

“<sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.”



The humanity of our Savior.

His humility in our salvation.