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510-480 BC silver stater from **Kroton**, a Greek colony in southern Italy. Obv: sacrificial tripod, stork beside Rev: same design but incused NGC genuine (EF) \$487. (VF) \$277. (F) \$177.



100%

510-482 BC Silver didrachm from **Akragas**, a Greek colony on western Sicily, 510-472 BC Obv: crab Rev: sea eagle NGC Genuine (EF) \$877.



100%

480-400 BC silver stater from Poseidonia, now **Paestum**, a Greek colony in southern Italy. It is the site of the best preserved Archaic Greek temples in the ancient world. Obv: Poseidon advancing with net, brandishing trident Rev: his pet bull NGC genuine (F/VF) \$377. (VF) \$477. (F) \$227. (VG) \$137.



100%

449-413 BC silver tetradrachm of **Athens** Obv: helmeted head of Athena Rev: her pet owl NGC genuine (VF) \$877. ICG EF \$1,977.



100%

350-281 BC Silver distater of **Thurium**, a Greek colony in southern Italy Obv: Athena wearing a helmet decorated with the sea monster Scylla Rev: bull butting ICG EF 40 choice centering and old toning . \$6,700.



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285-246 BC Gold octodrachm of the **Greek Egyptian** king Ptolemy II Obv: busts of Ptolemy II/Arsinoe II Rev: busts of Ptolemy I/Berenike I One of the great dynastic coins of the world. ICG EF 45 .. \$19,700.



100%

356-336 BC Gold stater in the name of **Philip II** of Macedon Obv: laureate head of Apollo Rev: Philip winning the chariot race at the Olympics of 346 BC NGC Abt. Unc. \$3,977.



100%

336-323 BC gold stater of Alexander the Great Obv: helmeted head of Athena Rev: Nike standing NGC Unc. \$7,700.



100%

323-317 BC Gold stater in the name of Philip. This was the reign of Alexander's weak half brother Philip III, who continued the types of his father Philip II. However instead of the usual Apollo face we have perhaps one of the best and most important Hellenistic portraits of **Alexander** the Great. Colophon mint ICG AU 58 \$5,775.



100%

312-311 BC silver tetradrachm in the name of Alexander the Great from the **Akko** mint, in Israel "Money of the Bible" on NGC EF holder. Obv: Hercules Rev: Zeus enthroned. Date in field. \$487.



100%

311-305 BC Silver tetradrachm in the name of Alexander the Great Obv: Hercules Rev: Zeus **Babylon** mint ICG Abt. Unc. 50 \$777. NGC (EF) \$377. NGC (VF) \$297. NGC VG \$147.



100%

310-301 BC gold stater in the name of Alexander NGC AU \$3,477.



100%

297-281 BC Gold stater of **Lysimachus**, Thracian successor of Alexander the Great Obv: portrait of the deified Alexander wearing the horn of the Egyptian god Ammon Rev: helmeted Athena enthroned, holding Nike ICG AU 55 \$3,977.



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350-270 BC Gold (electrum) stater of **Carthage** BC Obv: wreathed head of Tanit Rev: horse standing in fine style ICG EF 40 \$2,700.



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221-205 BC gold octodrachm by Ptolemy IV Obv: radiate and robed bust of his father **Ptolemy III**, trident over shoulder. Rev: radiant cornucopiae ICG AU 50 \$22,700.



100%

211-207 BC gold 60 asses of the Roman Republic during the **Second Punic War** Obv: helmeted head of Mars Rev: Eagle standing on thunderbolt ICG AU 53 \$6,700.



75%

196-187 BC Silver tetradrachm of **Antiochus III** the Great of the Selukid Empire. Mint of Antioch on the Orontes River Obv: diademed bust of Antiochus III in nice style Rev: nude Apollo holding bow and arrow, seated on Omphalos ICG AU 50 \$877.



100%

171-135 BC Silver tetradrachm of **Eukratides I**, Greek usurper king of Baktria. Obv: Helmeted, heroic nude bust of Eukratides preparing to hurl spear, diadem from his helmet trailing down his back. This very unusual view of the warrior king emphasizes his athletic prowess by showing his back muscles. This difficult perspective was not attempted by ancient die engravers very often. Pleasing ICG AU 50 \$7,700.



100%

163-130 BC Silver drachm of Ariarathes V of **Cappadocia** 163-130 BC. This cultured Greek monarch allied himself with the advancing Romans. Obv: his diademed portrait in bold very High-Relief Hellenistic style Rev: Athena standing NGC Abt. Unc. \$387. NGC EF \$267.



100%

138-129 BC silver tetradrachm of **Antiochus 7th** of Greek Syria Obv: his diademed bust Rev: Athena standing in wreath, holding Nike NGC Genuine Abt. Unc. \$387



100%

67 BC silver denarius of the **Roman Republic** struck by the moneyer Calpurnius Piso Obv: wreathed head of Apollo wearing long curled locks Rev: racehorse at full gallop ICG AU 50 \$197.



100%

49-48 BC silver denarius of **Julius Caesar** Obv: Elephant trampling snake Rev: priest's sacrificial implements NGC Abt. Unc. \$1,877.



100%

44-42 BC gold stater in the name of the Thracian Greek king Koson, with Roman Republican designs of **Brutus**. Obv: Brutus the consul, walking, flanked by lictors Rev: classic Roman eagle, holding wreath. ICG MS 65 \$2,775. ICG MS 64 \$1,477. ICG MS 63 \$977.



100%

42 BC Silver denarius of **Brutus**, struck right before his final defeat by Julius Caesar's nephew, Augustus and Marc Anthony Brutus, the son of Caesar's mistress, was one of the ringleaders who assassinated Julius in the Roman Senate with a rain of dagger blows. Julius' final words were "Et tu, Brute" meaning, in a surprised dismay: and you too, Brutus. Obv: Veiled head of Libertas, since Brutus was a supporter of the old Republic. L. Sesti Pro Q around is the supporter of Brutus who struck this issue, and his title. Rev: tripod lebes between axe (for killing sacrificial animals) and simpulum (ladle for pouring wine for sacrifice). Q. Capelo Brutus Pro Cos around. ICG AU 50 \$2,700. NGC genuine \$777.



100%

41-40 BC silver denarius of the **imperator** Ahenobarbus. This capable, cunning and flexible admiral served Pompey the Great, Brutus and Cassius, Mark Anthony and Augustus at different times in his career. Obv: probably his portrait Rev: military trophy erected on prow of galley. ICG EF 45 PQ great highlights \$4,700.



100%

2 BC-4 AD silver denarius of the Roman emperor **Augustus** (Octavianus) Obv: his laureate bust Rev: his grandsons with shields and spears NGC Genuine (VF) \$377. (F) \$277. (VG) \$197.



100%

5-6AD silver shekel of Tyre, of the type paid to Judas for the betrayal of Christ. Actually struck in Jerusalem by this time. Obv: Melqarth Rev: eagle NGC EF \$997.



100%

30-31 AD bronze prutah of the Roman Pontius Pilate, administering the Holy Land for Tiberius. Obv: **lituus** or curved wand of an augur on the obverse surrounded by "Tiberius Caesar" in Greek. The foretelling of the future by augury was an important element in Roman religion and the implements of the high priests occur regularly on Roman coins. Not surprisingly the Romans once again offended the Jews with this symbol of augury, which was specifically prohibited by Jewish law. The reverse has the date, "year 17 or 18" surrounded by a wreath. NGC genuine, nice earthen highlights \$127.



100%

73 AD Gold aureus of **Titus**, as Caesar, eleventh of the Twelve Caesars Obv: his laureate bust Rev: goddess Pax sacrificing at tripod ICG EF 45 \$7,700.



100%

80 AD silver denarius of Titus as Augustus Obv: his laureate bust Rev: **elephant** standing ICG AU 55 PQ, razor sharp strike \$2,477.



100%

80 AD Gold aureus of Titus as Augustus Obv: laureate bust Rev: mourning captive **Jewess** and bound **Jew** seated under trophy of captured arms and armour. Very rare and in huge demand. ICG AU 55 \$37,000.



100%

98-99 AD gold aureus of **Trajan**, whose forum and column still stand in Rome today. Obv: his laureate bust Rev: Germania seated on shields, extending olive branch of peace. ICG AU 50 \$9,700.



100%

128 AD gold aureus of **Hadrian** Obv: his laureate bust Rev: Hadrian on horseback ICG VF 35 \$4,277.

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134-135 AD Silver zuz of the **Bar Kochba** War Obv: "Simon" in wreath Rev: palm branch and fluted jug "For the freedom of Jerusalem" around NGC genuine, (AU) \$677.



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133-134 AD silver sela of the Bar Kochba War Obv: "Simon" around façade of the second Temple in Jerusalem, **Ark of the Covenant** within. Rev: Lulav with etrog at left "For the freedom of Israel" around. NGC Uncirculated \$4,977.



100%

161 AD gold aureus of **Marcus Aurelius**, the philosopher emperor Obv: his laureate and armoured bust Rev: Providentia standing ICG EF 45 \$5,700.



100%

193-211 AD Silver tetradrachm of the Roman emperor Septimius Severus, notorious for banning Christian **baptism**. Obv: his laureate and draped bust Rev: eagle above tiny star, holding wreath. Laodicea mint in Syria. ICG VF 35 \$287.



100%

218-222 AD Silver denarius of **Julia Soaemias** the mother of the insane tyrant Elagabalus. They both were killed by the Roman mob and their bodies were dragged through the streets of Rome and thrown in the Tiber. Obv: her diademed and draped bust Rev: Venus standing, holding apple and scepter NGC genuine (EF) \$87.



100%

222-235 AD Silver denarius of **Severus Alexander** This emperor worshipped Christ, but only as part of his personal pantheon of gods, which included deified Caesars, Abraham and Orpheus. He was a wise and fair ruler, and during his reign the denarius was struck on an improved silver standard. Obv: Laureate bust of Severus Alexander. Rev: Spes standing NGC Abt. Unc \$277.



100%

244-249 AD Silver antoninianus, or double denarius, of Philip I "the Arab", **Philip** was the leading general of the empire and came to power by depositing, then executing, Gordian III. Philip was apparently a **Christian**, as well as his wife, Otacilia Severa. Saint Chrysostom, an early Christian historian, records the arrival of Philip and his wife at church in Antioch on Easter eve. The bishop refused him entry and said that even the emperor of the world would not be allowed to take part in the service as long as his hands were stained with the blood of Gordian's murder. Philip performed some kind of penance and was welcomed by the worshippers. Obv: Draped bust of Philip wearing a radiate crown (which indicates the double denarius denomination). Rev: Short column inscribed with COS III (third consulship of Philip) NGC Abt. Unc \$247.



100%

244-249 AD Silver double denarius of Philip I. During his reign the 1000th anniversary of the founding of Rome came to pass, and he celebrated it with many sacrifices, games and temples dedicated to the Roma. Obv: his radiate and draped bust left, which is rare Rev: the temple of **Roma** NGC Choice Abt. Unc \$277.



100%

244-249 AD Silver double denarius of Philip I Obv: his radiate and draped bust Rev: The most dramatic **lion** on any Roman coin, roaring, and walking and apparently also wearing a radiate crown. NGC choice Abt. Unc \$477.



100%

244-249 AD Silver dble denarius of Philip I Obv: his radiate, draped bust Rev: **antelope** walking NGC Abt. Unc \$277.



100%

244-249 AD Silver double denarius of Philip I Obv: his radiate and draped bust Rev: European **elk** NGC Abt. Unc \$277.



100%

295-305 AD Billon follis of **Maximianus** 286-305 AD This emperor actually abdicated twice, but was called back to rule a third time. Unique in Roman history. Obv: his laureate bust Rev: Nude genius of the Roman people standing NGC Unc \$277.



100%

295-305 AD Silver **argenteus** of Diocletian 284-305 AD Obv: his laureate bust Rev: the 4 tetrachs sacrificing in front of camp gate of These near pure silver argentei were a welcome relief from decades of junk coinage Historically a very rare coin, a recent hoard has opened this opportunity. NGC Unc. \$1,277. NGC AU \$777. NGC EF \$477. NGC genuine \$277.



100%

308-324 AD Bronze follis of **Licinius I** co-emperor of the Roman empire with Constantine the Great Obv: laureate and bearded head of Licinius I Rev: Jupiter standing NGC Abt. Unc. \$67. genuine (EF+) \$37.



100%

317-337 AD Billon reduced follis of **Constantine II**, as Caesar Obv: his laureate and draped bust Rev: army camp gate with star above NGC very scarce with superb silvering like this \$177.



100%

324-337 AD Billon reduced follis of **Constantius II**, as Caesar Obv: his laureate and draped bust Rev: army camp gate with star above, almost unheard of with great silvering NGC \$197.



100%

360-363 AD Bronze follis of Julian II, the **Apostate** This nephew of Constantine reverted to paganism, and was the last non Christian Roman emperor. Obv: his helmeted bust holding spear and shield Rev: Vows in wreath NGC abt Unc \$277. Julian as Caesar 335-360 AD, bronze reduced follies Obv: his bare headed, draped bust Rev: Soldier spearing fallen horseman. NGC Genuine (fine) \$77.



100%

404 AD gold solidus of **Honorius**, Rome mint Obv: his diademed and robed bust Rev: Honorius holding standard and Victory, trampling captive barbarian ICG AU 50 \$977.



100%

425 AD Jan-Oct gold solidus of **Theodosius II** celebrating his new co-emperor Valentinian III Obv: helmeted and armoured bust of Theodosius II Rev: the youth Valentinian III standing to the right of enthroned Theodosius II. ICG AU 55 \$1,277.



100%

425-455 AD gold solidus of **Valentinian III**, Constantinople mint NGC genuine (EF, damaged) good angel side \$447.



100%

450-457 AD gold solidus of the scarce Roman emperor **Marcian**, struck at his eastern capital Constantinople Obv: his helmeted and armoured bust, holding spear Rev: angel standing NGC Unc. \$1,577. NGC genuine (Unc.) \$977. (Unc., planchet flake) \$677.



100%

518-527 AD gold solidus of **Justin I** Constantinople mint Obv: helmeted and armoured bust of Justin, holding spear over shoulder Rev: **angel** standing, holding long cross ICG AU 53 \$777.



100%

527-565 AD gold solidus of the eastern Roman emperor **Justinian the Great**, who built St. Sophia, and actually reconquered Italy and Rome. Obv: his helmeted and armoured bust Rev: angel standing NGC AU \$577.



100%

602-610 AD Gold solidus of the **Phocas** Constantinople Obv: his bust Rev: angel holding long cross NGC Genuine (AU, faint bend, weak at one edge) \$447. ICG MS 60 Cool dble strike \$577. ICG MS 63 faint dble strike \$877.



100%

610-641 AD gold solidus of **Heraclius**, who defeated the Persian king and returned the stolen True Cross to Jerusalem Obv: Heraclius and his young son Heraclius Constantine Rev: True Cross ICG MS 61 double struck (faintly) \$577.



100%

641-668 AD Gold solidus of **Constans II** Constantinople mint Obv: Constans II and his son Constantine IV Rev: **True Cross** as mounted on steps in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem ICG MS 62 \$577. ICG MS 63 \$677. ICG MS 64 \$877.



100%

705-711 AD gold solidus of Justinian II, second reign. Obv: the second, "corrected" portrait of Christ, with **Aramaic** features. It is believed by some that this portrait was copied from a lifetime image of Christ once preserved in a Syrian church fresco. Rev: Justinian II holding True Cross and globus cruciger inscribed "PAX" NGC genuine (AU) \$2,700.

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