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## # 5 Extra Credit

### **Res Gestae Divi Augusti: The Achievements of the Divine Augustus**

1. What evidence does the Res Gestae provide about the practicalities of running a huge empire? Does it help explain why collective rule by the Roman Senate was no longer practical by the time Augustus?

Augustus was able to maintain and run his huge empire, by reforming the length of time soldiers served. He transformed the military and made it appealing to join. The wise Augustus pretended he was giving power back to the Senate, since Rome wanted that. Anyhow he did not, he kept control and established a police and fire brigade to assist the Roman citizens safely and gained more trust. He still kept control of his military and still was in control over Rome.

2. What are the key elements of Augustus' screen image of himself? What achievements does he stress most, and what values does he appeal to?

Augustus the greatest Emperor promoted an image of himself in sculptural portraits. He said he was descended from the Gods the savior of the anti-monarchical Roman Republic, a successful leader of the military, who was youthful and athletic. His screen image was one of the greatest in history. He had human qualities and stood for culture that combined the traditions. The Roman Emperor Augustus' achievements he stressed most was the fact he brought stability, peace, prosperity and security to the Roman world for the first time in a decade after the civil war. He laid the foundation for the growth of Rome as an empire rather than a republic. He also stressed on how he replaced in the temples of all the cities of the province of Asia, three gladiatorial games in his name and five in his grandsons. In fact his accomplishment superseded.

his capacity, that's why he thought he was a god, He appealed to the ancestral values, such as chastity, monogamy. He improved Roman society and formulate a renewed Roman government and lifestyle.