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History of Christianity
Assignment 5-3-1 - Week 3

Questions

1. Name of the consequences of Alexander the great
2. List the Chief Religious groups withing Judaism in Palestine
3. What did these religious groups each agree?
4. What is the Jewish diaspora?
5. What was the policy of Emperor Trajan?

Answers

1. One was "Hellenism" which is the combination of Greek culture that he and his followers brought with the ancient cultures that have long existed in all the lands he conquered.
2. They are the following: the zealots, the pharisees, the Sadducees and the Essenes.
3. That there is only one God, that God's people have to follow certain behaviors to live, and God's promises would be fulfilled someday.
4. The spread of Jews beyond the borders of Palestine.
5. To have Christians punished if they were brought before authorities and did not deny their faith.

Terms

Aristocracy - A class or group of people believed to be superior in rank, wealth or intellect.

Monastic - A person such as a monk who lives under religious vows.

Arianism - A doctrine which claims that the Son is not of the same substance as the Father, but was created as an agent for creating the world.

Summary

Christianity becoming the official religion of Rome, the effect of the church after the conversion of Constantine, the barbarians taking over Rome, the policies and persecutions of the emperors. The end of persecution by the "Edict of Milan." The introduction of the Apostles creed due to heresies.