Sermon Notes

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The Case for Christ: Corroborating Evidence

Jewish Historian Flavius Josephus - Antiquities

Festus was now dead, and Albinus was but upon the road; so he assembled the <u>sanhedrin</u> of <u>judges</u>, and **brought before them the brother of Jesus, who was called Christ, whose name was James, and some others**; and when he had formed an accusation against them as breakers of the law, he delivered them to be stoned:

Jewish Historian Flavius Josephus – The *Testimonium Flavianum*

Festus was now dead, and Albinus was but upon the About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man, if indeed one ought to call him a man. For he was one who performed surprising deeds and was a teacher of such people as accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many of the Greeks. He was the Christ. And when, upon the accusation of the principal men among us, Festus was now dead, and Albinus was but upon the Pilate had condemned him to a cross, those who had first come to love him did not cease. He appeared to them spending a third day restored to life, for the prophets of God had foretold these things and a thousand other marvels about him. And the tribe of the Christians, so called after him, has still to this day not disappeared.

The Roman historian and senator Tacitus – Annals (AD115)

Festus was now dead, and Albinus was but upon the Nero fastened the guilt and inflicted the most exquisite tortures on a class hated for their abominations, called Christians by the populace. Christus, from whom the name had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of one of our procurators, Pontius Pilatus, and a most mischievous superstition, thus checked for the moment, again broke out not only in Judæa, the first source of the evil, but even in Rome, where all things hideous and shameful from every part of the world find their centre and become popular.

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