



“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”









Gate of Mazaeus and Mithridates

Library of Celsus

commercial  
agora

terrace houses

fountain of  
Trajan

Dormitian  
temple

town hall

small theater

civic agora



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2 Tim 4:1–8

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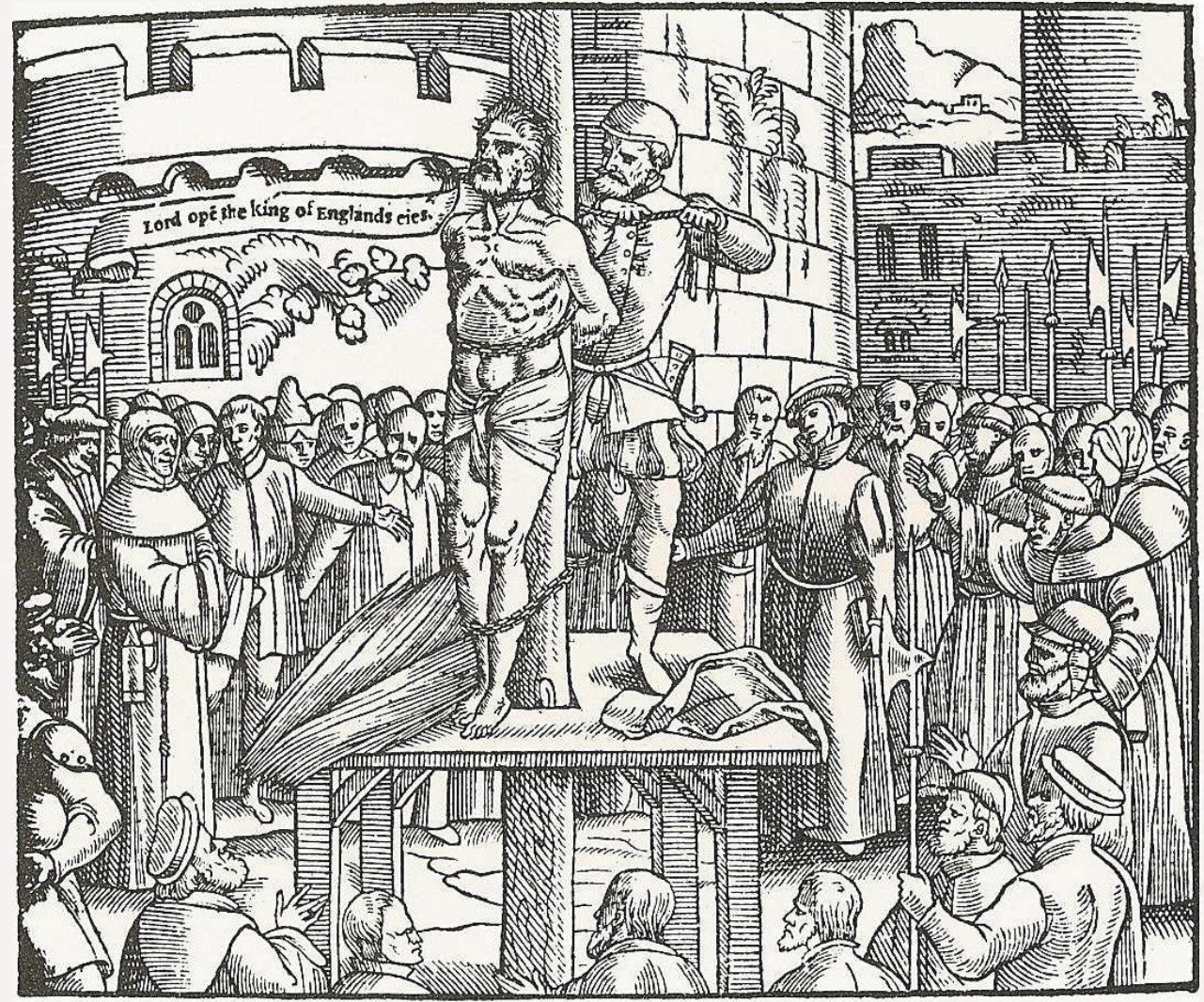


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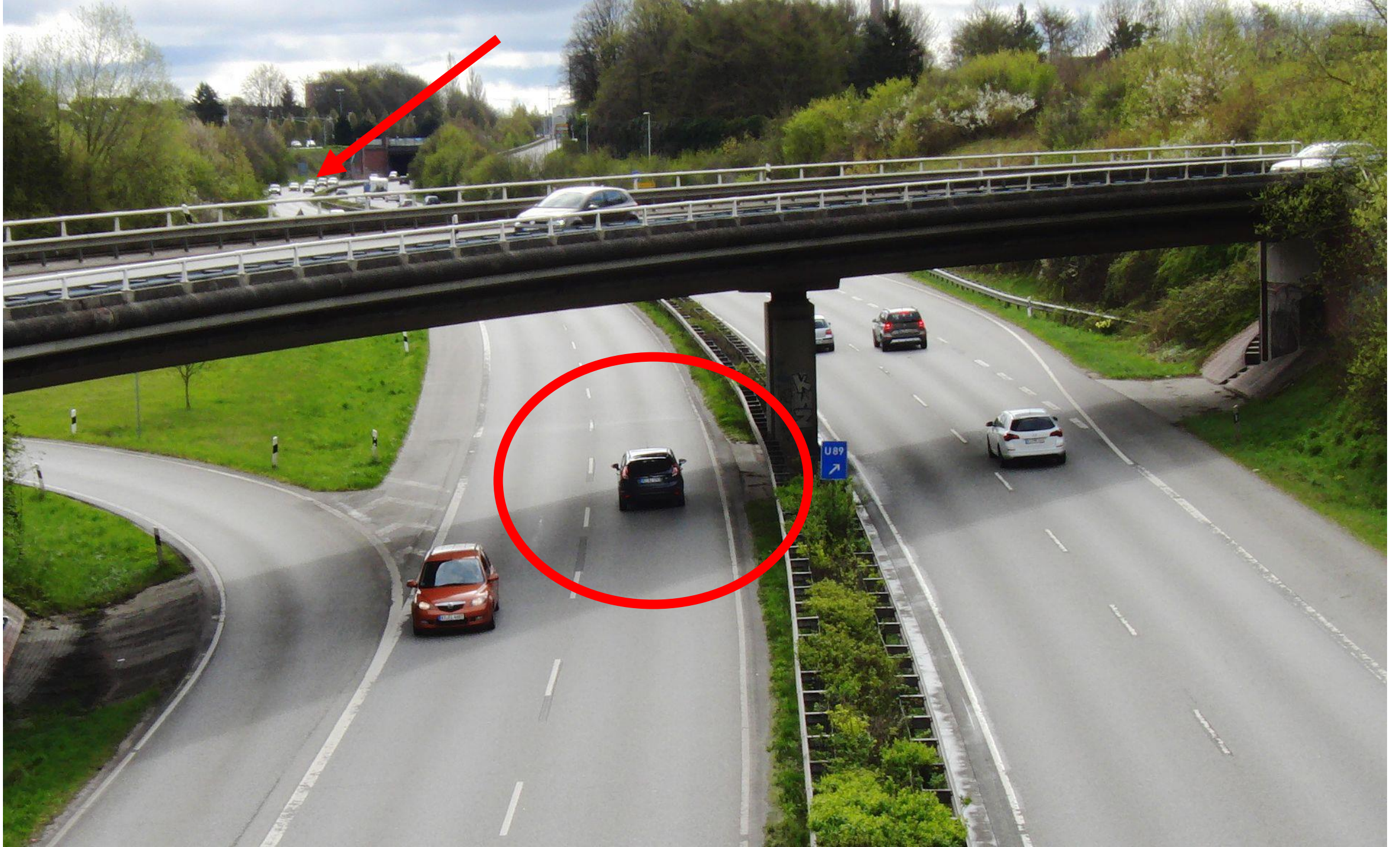


Everybody can do what they want.

Leave me alone.









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There *was* false teaching in Ephesus





## 1 Tim 1:3–7

“<sup>3</sup>As I urged you when I was going to Macedonia, remain at Ephesus so that you may **charge certain persons not to teach any different doctrine**, <sup>4</sup>nor to devote themselves to myths and endless genealogies, which promote speculations rather than the stewardship from God that is by faith. [...] <sup>6</sup>**Certain persons**, by swerving from these, **have wandered into vain discussion**, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.”





## 2 Tim 2:16–18

“Avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness, and their talk will spread like gangrene. Among them are **Hymenaeus** and **Phileus**, **who have swerved from the truth**, saying that the resurrection has already happened. They are upsetting the faith of some.”



## **How to protect from false teachers:**

1. Godly leaders who preach the word
2. Beware of continuous questioning (2 Tim 3:7)
3. Fellowship with others
4. Humility





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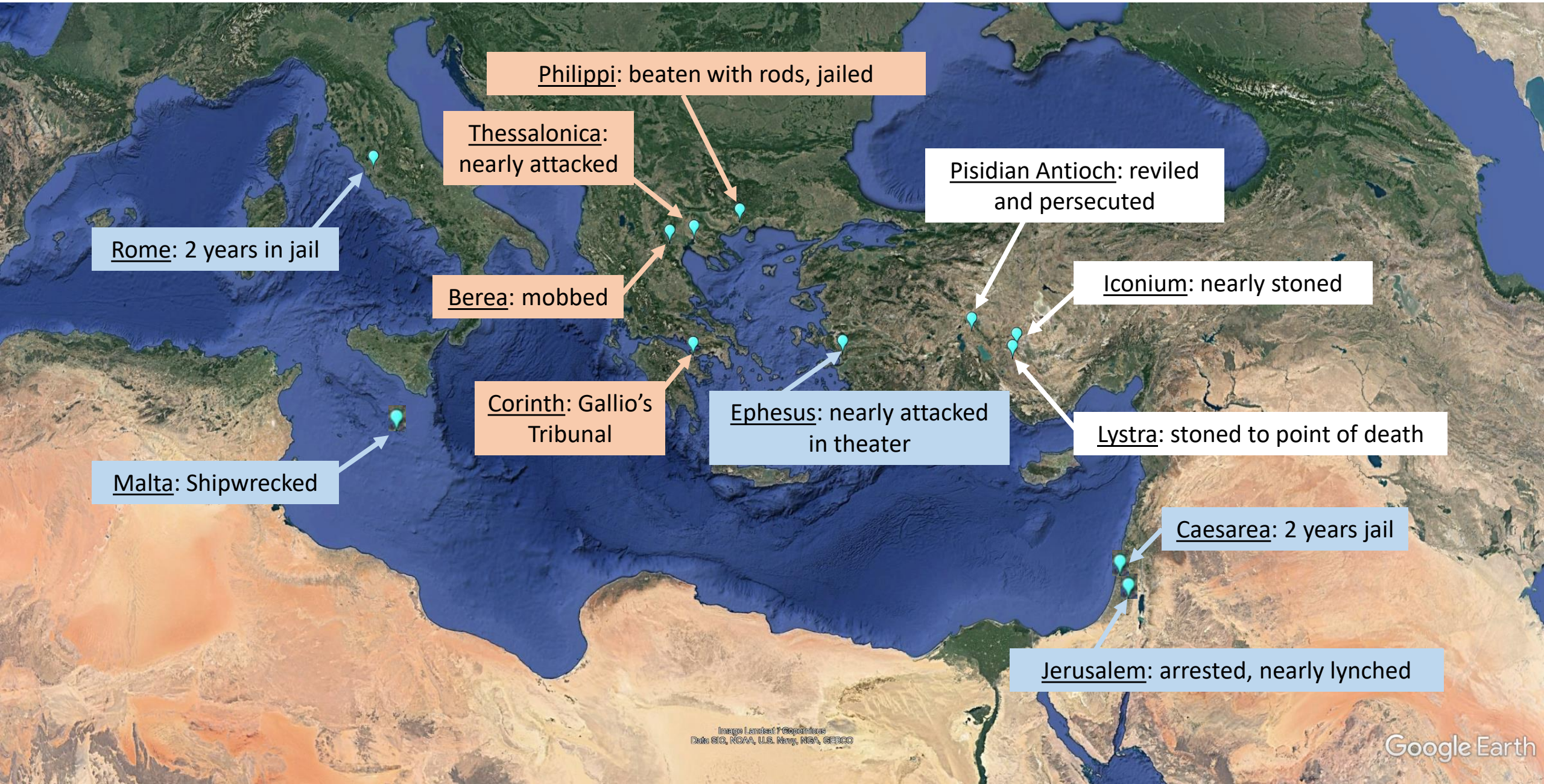


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# Paul's Persecutions (Missionary Journeys)



Rome: 2 years in jail

Philippi: beaten with rods, jailed

Thessalonica: nearly attacked

Berea: mobbed

Corinth: Gallio's Tribunal

Malta: Shipwrecked

Ephesus: nearly attacked in theater

Pisidian Antioch: reviled and persecuted

Iconium: nearly stoned

Lystra: stoned to point of death

Caesarea: 2 years jail

Jerusalem: arrested, nearly lynched

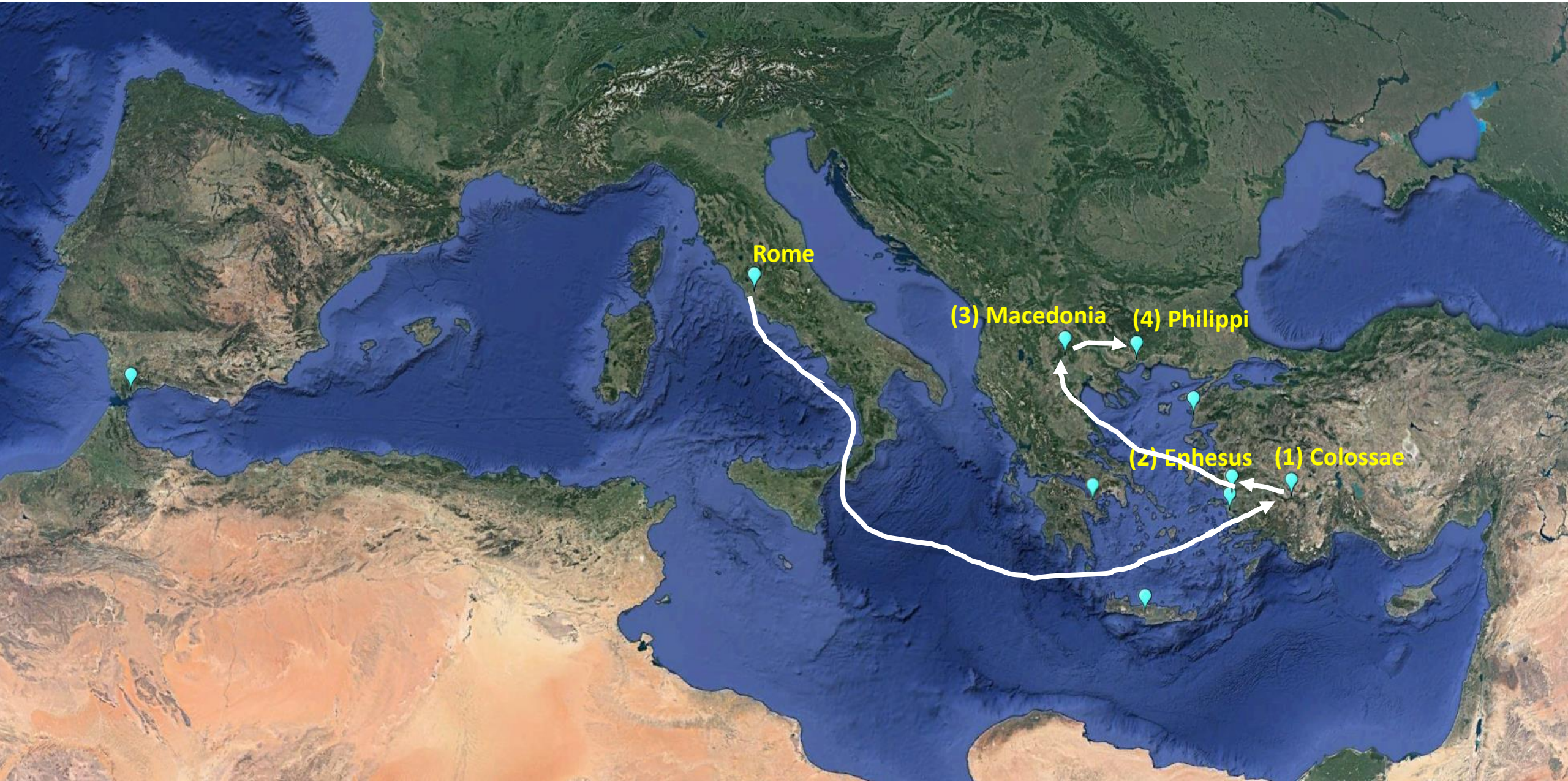


**But what happened after Acts?**





# Paul's Travels After Acts (Possible Reconstruction)



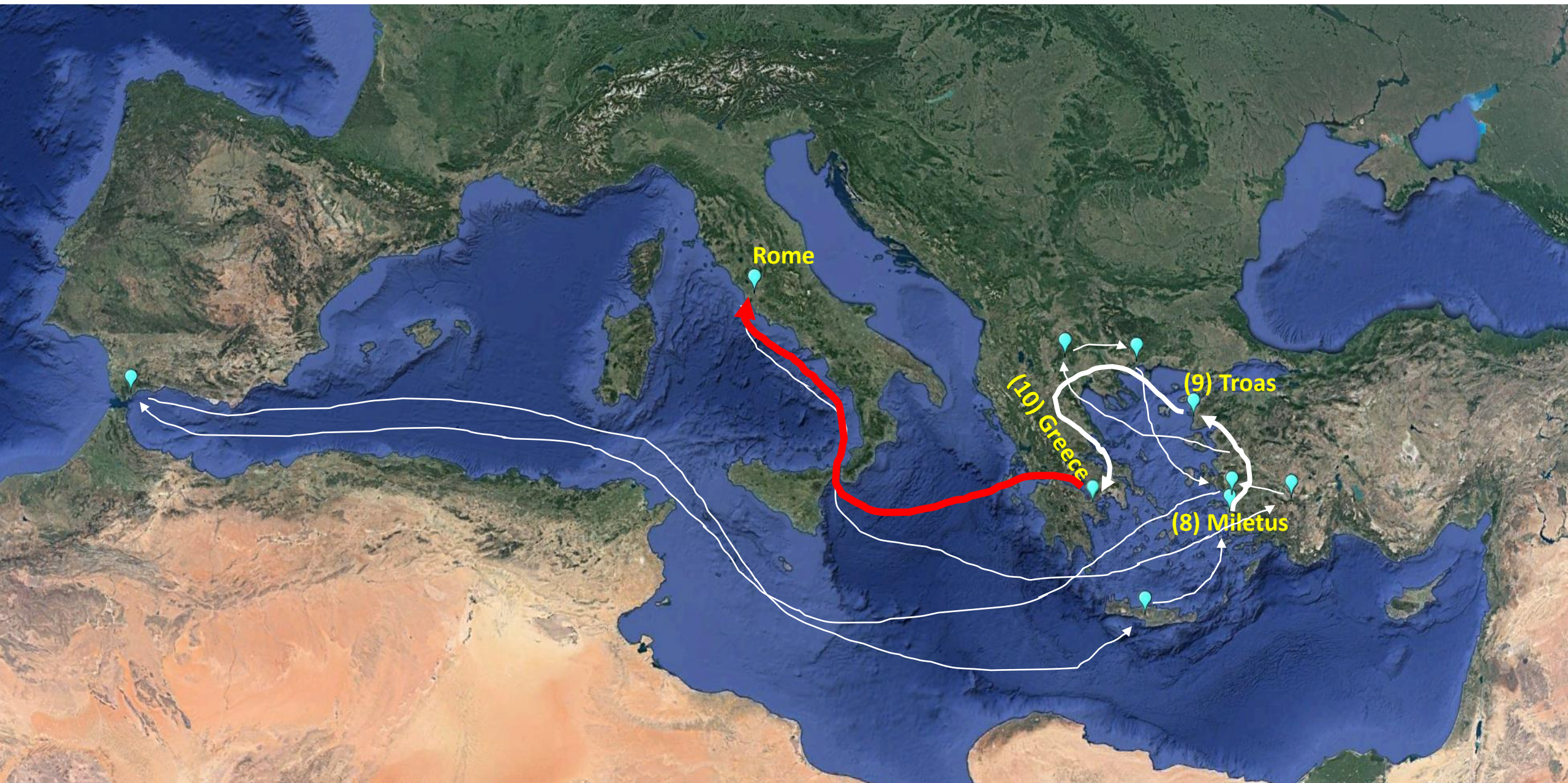


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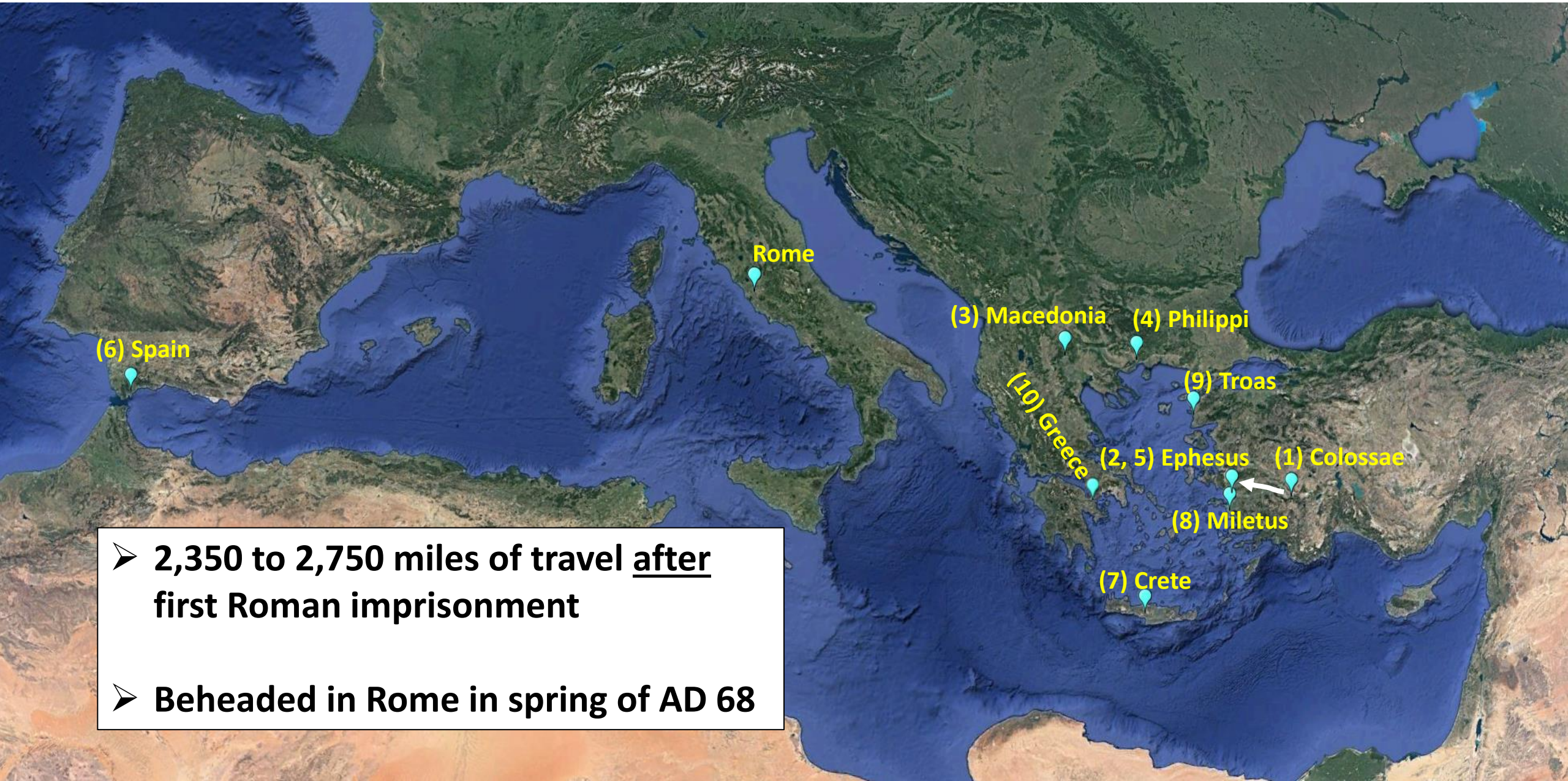


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- **2,350 to 2,750 miles of travel after first Roman imprisonment**
- **Beheaded in Rome in spring of AD 68**



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