

WEEK 3 – 5: RISE OF GREEK MARKETS TO FALL OF ROME

READING LIST - SOURCE MATERIALS

GREECE

Homer, c. 9th-8th C. BCE, *Odyssey*, Bk 18, lines 468-616, 387-391.

Hesiod, c. 8th-7th C. BCE, *Work and Days*, selections.

Aesop, c. 6th-4th C. B. C., Fables, selected fables.

Heracleitus, 5th C. BCE, "Cosmological–Marketplace Metaphor."

Aristophanes, 5th C. BCE, *The Clouds*, "On Interest," 125.

Greek Historians:

Herodotus, 5th C. BCE, The Histories, 53, 83, 89, 200-1, 369.

Thucydides, 5th C. BCE, The Peloponesian War, Book 5, 47.

Socratic Philosophers:

Plato, 4th C. BCE, Republic, Book IV, 211-215.

Plato, 4th C. BCE, Laws, 486-493.

Zenophon, 4th C. BCE, *Ways and Means to Increase the Revenues of Athens*, selections..

Aristotle, 4th C. BCE, Politics, Book I, 3-29.

Aristotle, 4th C. BCE, The History of the Athenian Constitution, Ch 5-13, Solon's Laws Revising the Weights, Measures & Currency of Athens.

Hero of Alexandria, c. 2nd C. BCE, Mekanika, "Blueprint for the Invention of a Coin Operated Vending Machine."

ROME

Anonymous, c. 4th-2nd C. BCE, "advertising in Roman Mythology."

Lucian of Samosata, 2nd C. BCE, Dialogues of the DeCE "Settling Accounts."

Lucretius, 1st C. BCE, The Nature of the Universe, Bk V, 205, 214-16.

Cicero, 1st C. BCE, De Officiis, Book I, 19-29, 153; Book III, 293, 319, 323, 327-29.

Cicero, 1st C. CE, On the Good Life, selections.

Tacitus, 1st C. CE, The Annals, "On Interest Rates," 207-208.

Anonymous, 79 CE, "Graffiti of Pompeii and Herculaneum."

Pliny the Elder, 1st C. CE, Natural History, Bk XXXIII: Man's Greed," 1-21; "Introduction of Gold Coinage to Rome," 42-51.

Pliny the Younger, 1st C. CE, Letters, #23 to Emperor Trajan, #24 from Emp. Trajan to Pliny.

Roman Poets:

Martial, 1st C. CE, Epigrams, VII, 61, "Shopkeepers of Rome;" I, 113, 117; V, 56.

Persius, 1st C. CE, Satires, "The Greedy Merchants."

Horace, 1st C. CE, Epistles, I,i,53-56,65; II,i,103; 11,2,72

Juvenal, 2nd C. CE, Satires, X, XIV, 204-09, 243.

Plutarch, 2nd C. CE, The Rise and Fall of Athens, Solon 3, 7, 13-14; Pericles 16.

Plutarch, 2nd C. CE, The Fall of the Roman Republic, Crassus, 115; Caesar, 255, 292.

Plutarch, 2nd C. CE, Moral Essays, "Credit & Usury."

Marcus (Aurelius) Antoninus, 2nd C. ad., Meditations, selections.

Diocletian, 301 CE, Edicts, "Preamble," selections.

The Bible, New Testament, 2nd-3rd C. CE Matthew 11:16, 13:45-46, 20:3, 21:12-13, 23:7;
Revelations 18:10-16, 23.

Athenaeus, 3rd C. CE The Deiposophists (The Learned Dining Club), "Buying and Selling Fish
in Athens."

St. Augustine, 4th C. CE Patrologiae Latinae, Enarratio in Psalmum LXX.17, "The Merchant is
Worthy of his Hire."