



ANCIENTS: JUDAEA

AD 132-135 BAR KOKHBA REVOLT. AR IRREGULAR ZUZ. NGC CHOICE XF★ 5/5 - 3/5



The Bar Kokhba revolt was a rebellion of the Jews of the Roman province of Judea, led by Simon bar Kokhba, against the Roman Empire. Fought circa 132–136 CE, it was the last of three major Jewish–Roman wars, so it is also known as The Third Jewish–Roman War or The Third Jewish Revolt. The Bar Kokhba revolt greatly influenced the course of Jewish history and the philosophy of the Jewish religion.

It was also among the key events to differentiate Christianity as a religion distinct from Judaism. Although Jewish Christians regarded Jesus as the Messiah and did not support Bar Kokhba, they were barred from Jerusalem along with the other Jews.

Undated issue of Year 3 (AD 134/5). Simon (Paleo-Hebrew), bunch of grapes in three lobes on vine / For the Freedom of Jerusalem (Paleo-Hebrew, inscription reversed), two upright trumpets. Hendin -, cf. 1431. Mildenberg -. Samuels 132 (this coin). Fascinating issue overstruck on uncertain host with part of the undertype visible on the left trumpet. This is the only known example of either of the dies used to strike this irregular coin. From the James Dines "Original Goldbug" Collection. Ex Shoshana Collection (Heritage Auction 3003, 8 March 2012), lot 20456.

*Additional Rarity: Bar Kokhba Revolt (132 - 135 AD). AR sela (23mm, 14.35 gm, 12h)
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