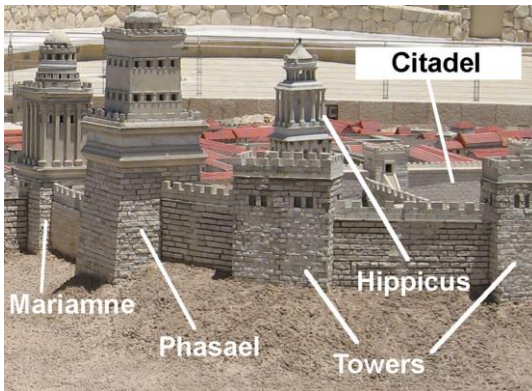
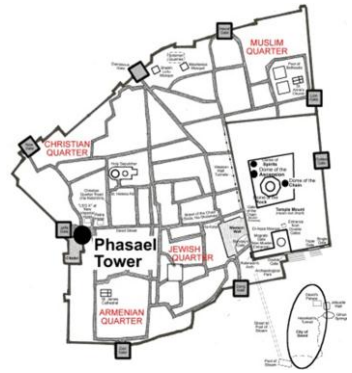


Phasael Tower

Herod built three towers on the north side of his palace in the citadel, which sat along the inside of the west wall of the city of Jerusalem. The towers were called:

- 1) **Phasael**, after Herod's brother; this tower was housed a luxury apartment
- 2) **Hippicus**, after Herod's friend; this tower was for water storage
- 3) **Mariamne**, after Herod's favorite wife; this tower was the location of another extravagant luxury apartment (see model below).



The base of Phasael Tower sits in a dry moat inside the Jaffa Gate by the Citadel. This used to be the northwest corner of Herod's city of Jerusalem.

The angled base of this tower is original first century and built with Herodian ashlar stones. The square top was rebuilt.