



75%

530-510 BC silver stater of **Metapontum**, a Greek colony in southern Italy. Obv: grain ear Rev: incuse of grain ear. The early Greeks experimented with these incuse coinages, probably to lessen the heavy striking force required. ICG VF 30 (substantial horn silver patination) \$477.



100%

C 500 BC silver stater of **Aegina**, Greece. The first coinage of Europe originated on the island of Aegina. Obv: smooth shelled sea turtle Rev: rough incuse square, divided into 5 segments Bold, decent Fine + \$417.



100%

480-400 BC silver stater of ancient Poseidonia, now named **Paestum**, a Greek colony in southern Italy. Fabulous ruins there now include the finest preserved archaic Greek temples in the world. Obv: nude Poseidon, sea god, fish net over shoulders, hurling his trident. Rev: his pet bull VF..... \$377.

460-440 BC silver tetradrachm of Athens Obv: helmeted head of **Athena** in nice late archaic style Rev: her pet owl NGC Ch VF \$1377.



100%

440-404 BC silver tetradrachm of **Athens** Obv: helmeted head of Athena, die streak, like a tear flowing from her archaic eye. The mint was located on the Parthenon, where the gold statue of Athena was melted to pay troops as Athens lost the Peloponnesian war. Maybe the die cutter was expressing her grief for her. Rev: pet owl of Athena, olive branch and crescent moon behind. NGC choice XF \$1577.



100%

The city of **Byblos**, in Phoenecia, from whence the word **Bible** is derived. Byblos was an ancient center for the production of papyrus, on which many early scriptures were written. 400-333 B.C., silver 1/8 shekel Obv: Greek hoplites (heavily armored mercenaries) in a Phoenecian galley, above a hippocamp (type of sea serpent). Rev: lion attacking a bull. EF \$127. VF \$77. Uneven strikes



100%

386-338 BC silver hemidrachm from Greek city of the Thracian Cherronesos, probably **Kardaria**, whose ancient site is not exactly known. Obv: forepart of roaring lion, looking back Rev: quadripartite punch, with various symbols ANACS EF \$177.



100%

400-300 BC silver drachm from the northern Greek city of **Larissa** Obv: facing head of the nymph Larissa Rev: grazing horse, plant beneath NGC Ch XF fine style \$977.

359-336 BC gold stater of **Philip II** of Macedonia, early posthumous issue Obv: laureate head of Apollo on dramatic broad planchet Rev: perfectly centered chariot scene of Philip winning the Olympics of 446 BC NGC abt unc, edge scuff (very minor) \$3977.



90%

336-323 BC gold distater (17.13 grams) of **Alexander the Great** Obv: helmeted head of Athena Rev: Nike standing, holding wreath and mast. EF, some tiny nicks and marks from being in bezel \$9700.

323-319 BC gold stater in the name of Alexander the Great, Teos mint (**seated griffin** symbol on rev) Obv: helmeted head of Athena Rev: Nike walking, holding wreath and mast ANACS EF 45 sale \$2777.



80%

336-323 BC silver tetradrachm of **Alexander the Great**, an early lifetime issue, Price-6, circa 335 BC, Amphipolis? Mint, Obv: Hercules wearing lion's skin headdress Rev: Zeus enthroned, holding eagle, rare janiform vase left field. Nice style, choice, lightly toned, lustrous surfaces NGC Abt Unc \$1277.



80%

c320 BC silver tetradrachm in the name of Alexander the Great Obv: **Hercules** Rev **Zeus** enthroned EF \$477.



75%

323-320 BC silver **tetradrachm** in the name of Alexander, Macedonian mint. Same designs as previous, cornucopiae in left rev field NGC VF \$447.



90%

300-289 BC silver tetradrachm of **Carthaginian Sicily**. 'Quaestors' issue Obv: head of Hercules Rev: horse's head, club of Hercules before, palm tree behind. NGC Ch XF, fine style \$4977.



100%

297-281 BC gold stater of Lysimachus, treasurer of Alexander the Great, and later ruler of Thrace and Asia Minor. Obv: **Portrait** of deified **Alexander**, wearing the horn of Ammon. These are the first uncontested portraits of Alexander the Great, with dies engraved from lifetime statues of him. Rev: Helmeted Athena, shield at side, holding Nike. ANACS EF 45 \$2750.

C 290-270 BC silver didrachm of **Rhodes**, the Greek island off the coast of Caria Obv: facing Helios with flowing hair Rev: opening rose, two buds by side NGC Fine (very PQ) \$447.



100%

255-235 BC gold stater of **King Diodotus** of the Greek Bactrian kingdom in central Asia. As he was breaking away from the Seleucids, Diodotus still issued some coins like this in the name of Antiochus II. Obv: diademed head of Diodotus in fine style Rev: Zeus holding Aegis, throwing thunderbolt, eagle before. NGC ch Abt Unc \$7700.



75%

c.250 BC gold octodrachm of Ptolemaic **Egypt**, reign of Ptolemy II, who built the library at Alexandria, and had the Old Testament translated from Hebrew into Greek by the 72 scholars. Obv: diademed and veiled head of his deceased queen Arsinoe II, K behind. Rev: two cornucopias bound with ribbon NGC AU", fine style \$15,700.



75%

221-204 BC gold octodrachm by Ptolemy IV, Greek king of Egypt, honoring his father. Obv: draped and radiate bust of **Ptolemy III**, trident over shoulder Rev: radiate cornucopiae tied with ribbon. NGC XF \$12,700.



50%

221-204 BC huge (70+ grams) bronze of Ptolemy IV of Egypt Obv: bearded head of **Zeus-Amun** Rev: his eagle on thunderbolt, cornucopiae in field EF, few planchet voids, superb eye appeal! \$477. Bronze "half liang" (these are 2.3 grams) cast by emperor Wen of the Western Han Dynasty in **China** 179-157 BC Obv: "pan liang" Rev: blank VF nearly as cast light encrustation \$27.



65%

175-164 BC silver tetradrachm of **Antiochus IV**, Greek Seleucid king in the Holy Land. Antioch mint. This Greek despot precipitated a revolt in Judaea by attempting to Hellenize the Jews, and defiling the Temple in Jerusalem. Obv: diademed bust of Antiochus IV in fine style Rev: Zeus enthroned, holding Nike and long scepter. EF, high relief, fine style, old toning \$1775.



100%

170-145 BC silver tetradrachm of Eucratides I, king of Bactria, an Indo Greek kingdom in the area of Afghanistan. Obv: **heroic nude bust** of Eucratides viewed from back, diademed and helmeted, wielding spear Rev: the Dioscuri on prancing horses, wielding spears NGC Abt Unc \$4977.

160-145 BC silver drachm (16 mm) of the Greek king Menander of Bactria Obv: his diademed and draped bust Rev: Athena with shield and thunderbolt ICG MS 61 \$197.



100%

145-142 BC silver drachm of the **infant** Seleucid king Antiochus 6th, whose dynasty descended from the Macedonian general Seleucus of Alexander the Great's army. Antioch mint. Though rightful heir as son of Alexander Balas, he was murdered by the usurper Diodotus, later named Tryphon on his coins. Obv: diademed and radiate head of the child Antiochus 6th Rev: Apollo seated on omphalos, holding bow and arrow. NGC Abt Unc \$977.

136 BC silver denarius by the Roman Republic moneyer L. Antestius Gragulus. Obv: helmeted head of the goddess Roma, * mark before, the first time an **XVI** monogram was used to designate the new equivalency of the denarius at a tariff of **16 asses**. Rev: Jupiter in racing chariot, brandishing thunderbolt. Raw Mint state in fancy holder \$775.



100%

95-94 BC silver tetradrachm of Ptolemy X of Egypt, Alexandria mint. Obv: diademed head of Ptolemy I Rev: eagle. Recovered from the "Ashkelon, Phoenecian" **shipwreck** of about 76 BC. Nice EF \$377.



100%

120-63 BC gold stater of **Mithradates VI**, of Pontus, the last of the great Hellenistic monarchs, and the Roman Republic's worst nightmare. Obv: diademed and horned head of Alexander the Great Rev: Athena enthroned, holding Nike. In the name of Lysimachus, treasurer of Alexander. This type gold stater was heavily used by many Greek rulers because they honored Alexander, and the people were familiar with it, and accepted it readily. NGC XF \$1877.