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Study guide – these are the topics and concepts you should be familiar with:

**Geography of Ancient Rome**

* Italian Peninsula, Mediterranean Sea, Alps, Tiber River, climate

**The Roman Republic**

* Roman Law, The Twelve Tables, Consuls, Senate, Assembly, Patricians, Plebeians, Punic Wars (Rome v. Carthage)

**The Roman Empire**

* Location around the Mediterranean Sea, extensive road system, military, Julius Caesar, triumvirate,

**The Rise of Christianity**

* Treatment of Jews, exiled, Diaspora, Judea, Jesus, apostle, belief in afterworld/life eternal, acceptance of rich and poor, persecution, Constantine

**The Fall of the Roman Empire**

* Western/Eastern, Byzantium/Constantinople, 4 major reasons for the collapse, reasons the East stayed strong

**Roman Achievements/Contributions to the Western World**

* Legacy, arch, keystone, aqueduct, mosaic, engineering, arts, Christianity, Latin language, law, see graphic organizer for key contributions