

The Prophet and the Executioner

Mark 6:14-29

1. _____ from God (v. 14-20)
 - a. In the _____ Son of God
 - i. Caused _____ among the people
 - ii. Caused _____ for Herod Antipas
 - b. With the _____ John
 - i. _____ of his office
 - ii. _____ of his message
 - iii. _____ of his life
2. _____ of Mankind (v. 21-25)
 - a. On display in the Herodian _____
 - i. Reminder of the _____
 - ii. Wreck in the _____
 - iii. Revenge in the heart of _____
 - b. On display in the Herodian _____
 - i. The _____ party
 - ii. The _____ dance
 - iii. The _____ offer
3. _____ of Mankind (v. 26-29)
 - a. _____ of a “queen”
 - b. _____ of a “king”
 - i. Compromising by _____
 - ii. Cornered into sobering _____
 - iii. Man of his _____
 - iv. _____ by his sin
 - v. _____ in his unrepentance
 - c. _____ of the people

At that time Herod the Tetrarch heard about the fame of Jesus, and he said to his servants, ‘This is John the Baptist. He has been raised from the dead; that is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.’ For Herod had seized John and bound him and put him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, because John had been saying to him, ‘It is not lawful for you to have her.’ And though he wanted to put him to death, he feared the people, because they held him to be a prophet.

But when Herod’s birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced before the company and pleased Herod, so that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask. Prompted by her mother, she said, ‘Give me the head of John the Baptist here on a platter.’

And the king was sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he commanded it to be given. He sent and had John beheaded in prison, and his head was brought on a platter and given by the girl, and she brought it to her mother. And his disciples came and took the body and buried it, and they went and told Jesus.

Matthew 14:1-12

And many came to [Jesus]. And they said, ‘John did no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true.’

John 10:41

You shall not uncover the nakedness of your brother’s wife; it is your brother’s nakedness... If a man takes his brother’s wife, it is impurity. He has uncovered his brother’s nakedness; they shall be childless.

Leviticus 18:16; 20:21

For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

2 Corinthians 7:10

Does your moral code mirror Herod or follow God’s Word?

What makes you tick? Are you more concerned about what others think of you or how God considers you? If doing the right thing would make you lose face or lose power before others, would you still do the right thing? When sin convicts, do you really repent?