

# Herod's Hideous Gift

## Text Study Verses Mark 6:14-29

**Mark 6:14** ¶ And king Herod heard *of him*; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

**Proverbs 10:7** The memory of the just *is* blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

**John 1:29** The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

**Mark 6:15** Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.

**Matthew 11:11** Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

**Mark 6:16** But when Herod heard *thereof*, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead.

**Matthew 14:2** And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

**Luke 9:9** And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? And he desired to see him.

**Mark 6:17** For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.

**Mark 6:18** For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.

**Leviticus 18:16** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it *is* thy brother's nakedness.

**Mark 6:19** Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not:

**Proverbs 29:10** The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

**Matthew 14:5** And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet.

**Mark 6:20** For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

**James 1:8** A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

**Mark 6:21** And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief *estates* of Galilee;

His birthday became his spiritual death day

**Romans 1:28** And even as they did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

**Mark 6:22** And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give *it* thee.

**Josephus** the Jewish 1<sup>st</sup> century historian tells us that the daughter's name was Salome

**Matthew 18:6** But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

**Mark 6:23** And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give *it* thee, unto the half of my kingdom.

**Matthew 14:7** Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask.

**Mark 6:24** And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Baptist.

**Matthew 14:8** And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

**Mark 6:25** And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

**Psalms 37:12** The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

**Mark 6:26** And the king was exceeding sorry; *yet* for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.

**Proverbs 16:5** Every one *that is* proud in heart *is* an abomination to the LORD: *though* hand *join* in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

**Mark 6:27** And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison,

**Matthew 11:6** And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

**Mark 6:28** And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother.

**Proverbs 18:7** A fool's mouth *is* his destruction, and his lips *are* the snare of his soul.

**Mark 6:29** And when his disciples heard *of it*, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

**Matthew 14:12** And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

**Acts 8:2** And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and made great lamentation over him.

## Conclusions

### Herod sinned away his day of salvation

**Acts 12:23** And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

**Luke 23:8-9** And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long *season*, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.

**1 Timothy 4:1-2** Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;