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Discussion Guide

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2. What is the best party that you have ever attended?

Dig:

1. What was it that drew Herod's attention to Jesus? What was the significance of Elijah and John the Baptist to the people of Jesus' day (see Matt. 17:9-13)? Why might people mistake Jesus for John the Baptist or Elijah?
2. Why does Herod jail John? How did Herod feel about John?
3. What do you learn about Herodias in this passage? Trace the steps by which she is finally able to have John killed.
4. What do you learn about the complex character of Herod from this passage? What kind of leader do you think he was?
5. Contrast the two "kings", Jesus and Herod, in terms of their kingdoms, character, popularity, and use of power.

Application:

1. What do you do when God's message leaves you puzzled?
2. Would you consider John's ministry as a success or a tragedy?
3. What would the story say to someone facing persecution, then and now?
4. What is the “take away” for you from this text? What is God telling you that He wants you to know or do?
5. How can you be more “prophetable”? Where do you need to speak God’s truth lovingly to someone? Will you?

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