

Family Table Talk

for the week of July 8, 2018

Opportunity
Christian Fellowship

Read it . . .

Mark 6:14–29

Discuss and apply the truth of God’s Word as a family.

A Head on a Platter

There are parts of the Bible that, if they made it into a movie, you probably wouldn’t be allowed to watch. This story from Mark is one of those parts. It’s pretty dark. It’s rated “R”.

But it’s also what happened. Evil people do evil things to good people. This is actually the story where we get the sentence, “I want his head on a platter!”

King Herod Antipas fell in love with his half-brother Philip’s wife, Herodias. She was named after her grandfather, Herod the Great (the one

who killed all those baby boys in Bethlehem). So, she was both Philip’s and Antipas’ niece.

Antipas and Herodias both got a divorce and married each other.

Herodias hated John the Baptist because he, very publicly, said that what they had done was wrong. Hate makes people to do evil things. (That’s why Jesus tells us to forgive instead of hate.) And sometimes God doesn’t stop them.

But their evil doesn’t stop God from saving people who repent.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Mark 6:14-29</p> <p>Why wouldn’t King Herod Antipas execute John the Baptist? Do you know anybody like that?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Mark 6:14-29</p> <p>Herodias thought that killing John the Baptist would stop his message forever. What did they think of Jesus?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tuesday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Ephesians 1:9-14</p> <p>What is God’s plan? Even when evil people are doing evil things to good people, will that stop God’s plan?</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Amos 7:7-15</p> <p>Amos told the people of Israel to stop worshipping idols. But a villain wants to stop him. What was Amos job? Why did Amos become a prophet?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Psalm 85:8-13</p> <p>Poetry can be strange. Love and truth going on a date? Righteousness and peace <i>kissing</i>? What? How are those things connected?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Ephesians 1:3-8</p> <p>God loves you so much, He wants to adopt you. Would you like to have Jesus as your big brother?</p>

Memory Verse: Ephesians 1:10

And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.

Coming Up Next Week:

What Jesus Can Do With You