

THE DEATH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST *from* MARK 6:14-29

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Let your conscience be your guide! A person's conscience is only as reliable as the data that has been placed into it. We live in a society that calls evil good and good evil (Isaiah 5:20). Obviously, the conscience can be tainted. God's Word cannot be tainted or changed and is greater than our conscience.

King Herod's conscience being tainted could not make right decisions. Yet there was enough truth in his conscience that when he made the wrong decisions, he was internally tormented.

I. Herod's Troubled Conscience (Mark 6:14 – 20)

A. His Remembrance (6:14-16)

B. His Restlessness (17-20)

II. Herod's Trapped Conscience (Mark 6:21-29)

A. The Party (21)

B. The Performance (22a)

C. The Promise (22b-23)

D. The Plot (6:24-25)

E. The Perplexity (6:26-29)