

1.) Of whom had Herod heard? How? What did he say?

15-18. How was Christ regarded by others? Why Elijah? (Mal. 4: 5.) What caused Herod to think about John? How had he treated John? Why? Where was he imprisoned? Who was Herodias?

19, 20. What feeling did Herodias entertain towards the Baptist? What did she resolve? Why did Herod fear John? How did he act? Who did the same? (Acts 24: 25.)

21-23. What day was observed? In what manner? Who were invited? Who came to amuse them? By whose plan? With what effect? What offer made by Herod? How did Herod confirm his promise?

24-26. Whose advice asked? What given? What was a charger? How did Herod feel?

27-29. How did he act? Why did he yield? What is his folly? What command given? How obeyed? What did John's disciples do?

For Seniors—14. How had Christ's fame been spread abroad? What was Herod's view? Did John work any miracles? (John 10: 41.) What did Herod suppose? Who thought the same? (Matt. 16: 14.)

15-18. Who did others suppose Christ to be? Why? What was Herod's opinion? Why had John been imprisoned? Describe

his early life, work, appearance and character. To what should reproof lead? (Prov. 15: 32; Prov. 6: 23; Prov. 13: 18.)

19, 20. With what is revenge inconsistent? (Luke 9: 55.) From what does it proceed? (Ezek. 25: 15.) What is meaning of "observed"? In what spirit did he hear him?

21-23. How was Herod's birthday observed? Who were among the guests? How did Herodias' daughter act? How did Herod evidence his folly? For what do many today offer the kingdom of their souls?

24-26. What hellish request made? What prompted it? Distinguish between the king's sorrow and true repentance. How did Pilate try to soothe his conscience?

27-29. Did Herodias succeed in silencing John? (Gen. 4: 10.) What act of respect did John's disciples show? Whence did they seek comfort? Who is our true solace in sorrow?

See Lesson 1
Bible Side Lights—RISEN FROM THE DEAD—1 Kings 17: 19-23; 2 Kings 4: 32-37; 13: 20, 21.

BOUND HIM IN PRISON—2 Kings 17: 4; 25: 7; Acts 5: 18; 12: 5, 6; 16: 23.

ON HIS BIRTHDAY—Gen. 40: 20.

ASK WHATSOEVER THOU WILT—Esth. 5: 3; 7: 2.

See Lesson
Topics for Brief Papers

(To be assigned the Sabbath previous.)

1. Revenge.
2. Herodias' daughter.
3. John as a martyr to conscience.

See Lesson
FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Connection—Speak of the pretty pigeons we have all seen, flying about, gently "cooing." Some kinds are called "carrier" pigeons or "messengers," trained to carry

messages a long distance. The messages are written and rolled up very small—sometimes put in a goose quill and tied with a fine wire to one of the tail feathers—and away fly the pigeons, carrying messages that may mean life or death to many in time of war. (Recall the messenger dove sent out by Noah, Gen. 8: 6-11.)

Recall the gospel messengers of last lesson. Would it not be nice to be like little carrier pigeons,

