

Collision of the Kingdoms

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- Today's passage shows us 2 scenes which show us the conflict
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- No longer witnesses, but now called to work
- We are called to work: Mt 28:18-20; 2 Cor5:20; 1Pt2:21
- Truths about our mission:
 - God grants Authority⁷
 - God calls us to live in faith⁸
 - God calls us to distinguish kingdoms¹⁰ don't be afraid to declare the Gospel
 - God gave them Success!¹³ From 12 to billions!

Kingdom Confrontations

- Jesus & disciples made an impact on Herod - Mt 14:1-2
- Herod=paranoid sinner-John preached repentance^{Mk1:4}
- Herod loved his sin more than righteousness^{6:18-20}
- Herod had a party, sex, power, pride; step-daughter danced
- Herod was pleased (ewww), Herodias seized opportunity
- John was casualty of war (Herod was sorry)^{6:26}

Lessons

- Beware of the Seductiveness of Sin
 - Power is intoxicating
 - Pride is a dangerous thing
 - Sex as entertainment is dangerous & addictive
 - Anti-dote – dwell deeply in God's Word
- Remember the Gospel is often Offensive
 - Heart of Gospel puts you under Christ's authority
 - Gospel says you don't belong to you but Christ^{1Co6:19-20}
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