

Imprisonment of John the Baptist

26 A.D., 27 A.D.

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Text:

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But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and all the other evil things he had done, Herod added this to them all: he locked John up in prison.

Commentary:

I. John's preaching knew no exceptions. The word of God knows no respect of persons.

A. John had told Herod that he had no right to be living with his brother's wife.

B. Herod was a wicked man who now put John in prison because of his preaching.

II. The imprisonment of John happened after the baptism of Jesus although in this account the order as given is not chronological.

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Questions

1. Why did John rebuke Herod? _____

2. What was a “tetrarch? _____

3. In what way was Herodias Herod’s brother’s wife? _____

4. Evil Herod, in addition to his other sins, added this to them all: he _____ up in _____!

5. Luke 3:19, 20 tells about John’s being imprisoned. Luke 3:21, 22 tells about Jesus’ being baptized. Which came first? _____

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