

Bad Girls of the Bible
“Herodias: The Prophet Killing Wife of a King”
(Part 6)
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I. Sometimes God Calls Us To _____ Wrong Behavior

Mark 6:17-19 “For Herod had sent soldiers to arrest and imprison John as a favor to Herodias. She had been his brother Philip’s wife, but Herod had married her. John had been telling Herod, “It is against God’s law for you to marry your brother’s wife.” So Herodias bore a grudge against John and wanted to kill him, but without Herod’s approval she was powerless,” (NLT)

A. Confronting wrong will sometimes creates resentment rather than remorse.

B. Confrontation is necessary in _____ relationships

Gal. 6:1 “Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself.” (NLT)

II. Fear Can Cause People To Do _____

Mark 6:20 “...for Herod respected John; and knowing that he was a good and holy man, he protected him. Herod was greatly disturbed whenever he talked with John, but even so, he liked to listen to him.” (NLT)

A. Herodias’s plan was motivated out of resentment and fear

B. Living in fear can result in _____ to ourselves and others

The ABC's of overcoming fear

A – _____ you are afraid to God

B – _____ God's word rather than the lies that come from your fears.

Prov. 29:25 "Fearing people is a dangerous trap, but trusting the LORD means safety." (NLT)

C – _____ God's path.

Josh. 1:9 "This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you where ever you go." (NLT)

Is. 43:1 "...Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; you are mine." (NLT)

III. There Are Times God Allows _____ To Succeed

Mark 6:26-28 "Then the king deeply regretted what he had said; but because of the vows he had made in front of his guests, he couldn't refuse her. So he immediately sent an executioner to the prison to cut off John's head and bring it to him. The soldier beheaded John in the prison, brought his head on a tray, and gave it to the girl, who took it to her mother." (NLT)

A. Just because Herodias's plan worked doesn't mean God's plan failed

B. Often, the evil plans of the world are used by God to _____ His people

I Peter 4:12 "Dear friends, don't be surprised at the fiery trials you are going through, as if something strange were happening to you." (NLT)

James 1:2-4 "Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way." (Message)

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