**[ Inductive Bible Study Question – LA UBF ]**

**Mark 6:14-29**

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| **14** King Herod heard about this, for Jesus’ name had become well known. Some were saying,[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+6&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24422b)] “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him.”  **15** Others said, “He is Elijah.”  And still others claimed, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of long ago.”  **16** But when Herod heard this, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised from the dead!”  **17** For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, whom he had married. **18** For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” **19** So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, **20** because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+6&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24428c)]; yet he liked to listen to him.  **21** Finally the opportune time came. On his birthday Herod gave a banquet for his high officials and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. **22** When the daughter of[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+6&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24430d)] Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests.  The king said to the girl, “Ask me for anything you want, and I’ll give it to you.” **23** And he promised her with an oath, “Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom.”  **24** She went out and said to her mother, “What shall I ask for?”  “The head of John the Baptist,” she answered.  **25** At once the girl hurried in to the king with the request: “I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter.”  **26** The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. **27** So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John’s head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, **28** and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the girl, and she gave it to her mother. **29** On hearing of this, John’s disciples came and took his body and laid it in a tomb. |

**I. General observation (What does the text say?)**

The first step in Inductive Bible Study is to get the **big picture**; to see the **forest** before the individual trees!

Focus on understanding the overall context and structure. Apply Observation tools selectively to the text situation.

**1. Identify a Genre of this chapter**

Historical Narrative

**2. Big Picture**

identified the background, historical context and overall sense of the entire book

🡪 Refer to the book of Mark gospel Introduction

**3. Factual Study**

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| **Read whole passage, divide the passage into different paragraphs and make your own subtitle for each paragraph (10 min)** |

**II. Observe and interpret paragraphs according to the following division.**

**1. Try to figure out this event using 5W1H.**

- Who (main characters) :

- When (time) :

- Where (place) :

- What (what happened?) :

**2.What are the emphasized or repeated words of the passage?**

**- emphasized word**

**- repeated word**

**3. Write down the contrasts and comparisons in the passage.**

**4. Write down the connections.**

**(**If condition, cause & effect etc)

**5. Write down the main points of this passage.**

(Consider the author's flow of thought)

**6. What are keywords and verses?**

**7. Write down the main thought of the passage in one sentence.**

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| **8. Interpretation & Application**  **(“What lesson does the passage give to the audience? & How can I apply the text to me?”)**  **1) Interpretive questions? (The questions that we make to get the lesson from the text)**  Ex) Why should we love one another?    **2) Interpretation**  **3) Apply the text to your life**   * **The Word that touched your heart** * **Examine yourself with the word and write what you find. (refer to the guideline)** * **What can you do to obey the word? (try to write specific action)** |

**III. Let’s share our application in the group taking a turn.**

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**\* Guideline for application**

**Step1) Examine Ourselves**

Examine your life by asking nine questions in five areas.

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| **<Areas to Examine>**  My relation with God  My personal life  My relations with others  (family, church, work..)  My relation with the enemy  My world | **<Nine Questions>**  Is there an example for me to follow?  Is there a sin to avoid?  Is there a promise to claim?  Is there a prayer to repeat?  Is there a command to obey?  Is there a condition to meet?  Is there a verse to memorize?  Is there an error to mark?  Is there a challenge to face? |

**Step2) Make Action Plan**

1) Decide on a specific action (goal of meditation)

2) Application must be practical: - Practical / Measurable / Attainable

**Step3) Share your decision**

**Step4) Do action**

**Step5) Check your fruit of application**