

WHEN SILENCE SPEAKS

- MARK 6:14-29

 Herod silenced the voice of the desert prophet, resulting in God's refusal to speak to him.

I. THE DEATH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST - verses 14-29

A. HEROD'S GUILT- verses 14-16

- "I have never smuggled anything in my life. Why, then, do I feel an uneasy sense of guilt on approaching a customs barrier?" ~ John Steinbeck
- **Hebrews 8:12** For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

B. HEROD'S DILEMMA- verses 17-20

- We are given power to help others not to serve ourselves.
- Telling someone the truth is the most loving thing we can do. But it doesn't always mean they will love you.
- "There is no client as scary as an innocent man." ~ J.
 Michael Haller

C. HEROD'S OATH - verses 21-29

 Good and evil increase at compound interest. That's why the little decisions we make every day are of infinite importance. ~ C.S. Lewis

II. COMMUNION: MARK 14:22-25