

Dealing with Danger

Luke 13:31-35 (ESV)

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”³² And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.’³³ Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’³⁴ O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!³⁵ Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

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- This is Herod Antipas the son of Herod the Great

Luke 9:7-9

Now Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was happening, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had been raised from the dead,⁸ by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the prophets of old had risen.⁹ Herod said, “John I beheaded, but who is this about whom I hear such things?” And he sought to see him.

- Now Herod wants to kill Him?
- Jesus seemed steadfast and focused.
- This is a dangerous man with means.
- How do you respond to danger?
- He trusted our Father’s plan!
- He walked the path laid before Him.

John 7:30 (ESV)

So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come.

John 8:20 (ESV)

These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

- Do you trust God for His perfect timing and protection?
- God had predetermined Jesus appointed time.
- Ironically His enemies aided God’s plan.

Acts 2:22-24

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

Luke 13:32 (ESV)

And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.

- Foxes are cunning and crafty.
- Jesus was saying that He would finish His mission

Luke 13:33 (ESV)

Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’

Luke 13:34 (ESV)

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

- Jesus wanted to bring them under His care.
- Not willing?

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- Forsaken through rejection.

Prayer