

**Sermon Based Study Questions for 4.26.2015 Sermon
One Step Behind Jesus: Herod's Mistake
Luke 23:1-12**

Hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a unique privilege. Our goal is to help everyone hear it in their own tongue. Some have yet to hear it, which is why we are so aggressive in our missions approach overseas. Because of our familiarity with the Gospel, and the frequency with which it is presented, we could be tempted to take it for granted. This would be a serious mistake -- especially if we chose to not believe in Jesus or delayed our commitment to Him.

For over time, as you resist the Gospel, it can become less appealing to you. This is a dangerous slope. One you want to avoid. Instead, take this Next Step...

Next Step: Be responsive to Jesus!

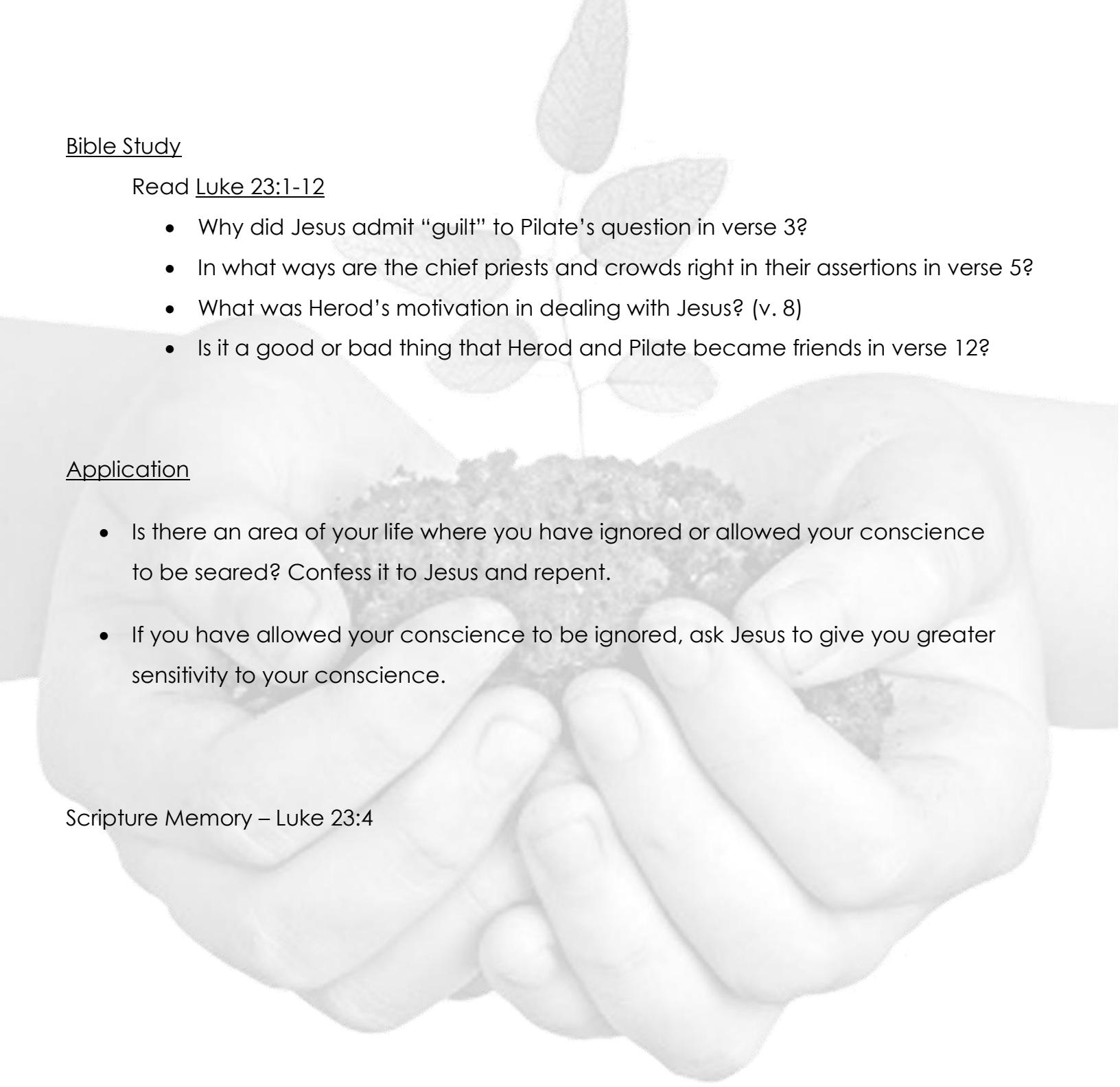
Ice Breaker Questions – (choose one to answer/ask)

- The Gospel is all too familiar in our culture. Do you recall the 1st time you remember hearing the Gospel?

Opening Questions

- Is there anything from Sunday's sermon that really stood out, made an impression, challenged or confused you?
- Just to recap, what is the Gospel?
- What are some ways you see people taking the Gospel for granted in our society?
- Why would Pilate send Jesus to Herod rather than deal with him himself?
- How do you think about your conscience? What is it like to you?
- What causes our conscience to be seared?
- Why were Herod and Pilate at enmity with each other?

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Bible Study

Read Luke 23:1-12

- Why did Jesus admit “guilt” to Pilate’s question in verse 3?
- In what ways are the chief priests and crowds right in their assertions in verse 5?
- What was Herod’s motivation in dealing with Jesus? (v. 8)
- Is it a good or bad thing that Herod and Pilate became friends in verse 12?

Application

- Is there an area of your life where you have ignored or allowed your conscience to be seared? Confess it to Jesus and repent.
- If you have allowed your conscience to be ignored, ask Jesus to give you greater sensitivity to your conscience.

Scripture Memory – Luke 23:4

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