

Jesus Leaves Judea Matthew 4:12, 14:3-5; Mark 1:14, 6:17-20; Luke 3:19-20, 4:14; John 4:1-4

“Jesus did not leave Judea because His ministry there was a _____ but because it was too popular and _____.” JW Shepard

Reasons Jesus Left Judea

1. The Imprisonment of John the Baptist – Matthew, Mark, & Luke

“¹²Now when (“after” Mark 1:14) Jesus had _____ that John was cast into prison, he departed (“came” Mark 1:14) (“returned in the _____ of the Spirit” Luke 4:14) into Galilee (“preaching the _____ of the kingdom of God,” Mark 1:14) (“and there went out a _____ of him through all the region round about.” Luke 4:14).” Matthew 4:12

John’s Imprisonment and Jesus’ Ministry –

“returned in the power of the Spirit” –

“preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,” –

“there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.” –

➤ History Behind the Imprisonment

“¹⁷ For Herod _____ had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias’ _____, his brother Philip’s wife: for he had married her, (“²⁰ _____ yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.” Luke 3:20) ¹⁸ For John (“_____...him...for all the evils which Herod had done.” Luke 3:19) had said unto Herod, It is not _____ for thee to have thy brother’s wife. ¹⁹ Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could _____: ²⁰ For Herod _____ John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him _____. (“And when he would have put him to death, he _____ the multitude, because they counted him as a _____.” Matt. 14:5) Mark 6:17-20

Herod and Herodias:

Their Sin before God –

Their Rebuke by John –

Their Attitude toward John –

Herod:

Herodias:

2. Pressure of the Religious Leaders – Book of John

“When therefore the Lord _____ how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John, ²(Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,) ³He left Judaea, and departed again into Galilee. ⁴And he _____ needs go through Samaria.” John 4:1-4

Pharisees Fear –

Jesus’ Reaction –

“he must needs go through Samaria.” –

Believers Application:

Jesus moved His ministry north because of two negative events. We know trials can build our faith, but do you realize God can also use them to move us. As we look over our lives, often we realize how hard, sad, and difficult times can be used by God to shift us to a new place of His choosing.

Let’s consider this thought from this incident of Christ and other passages in Scripture.