



BEHOLD THE KING

MATTHEW

Kingdom

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Rejection

“To you it has been given to know the secrets of the **kingdom** of heaven.”

Matthew 13:11

“When anyone hears the word of the
kingdom”

Matthew 13:19

“The **kingdom** of heaven may be compared
to a man who sowed good seed,”

Matthew 13:24

“The **kingdom** of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed”

Matthew 13:31

“The **kingdom** of heaven is like leaven”

Matthew 13:33

“the good seed is the sons of the **kingdom.**”

Matthew 13:38

“The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his **kingdom** all causes of sin”

Matthew 13:41

“Then the righteous will shine like the sun in
the **kingdom** of their Father”

Matthew 13:43

“The **kingdom** of heaven is like treasure
hidden in a field,”

Matthew 13:44

“Again, the **kingdom** of heaven is like a merchant”

Matthew 13:45

“Again, the **kingdom** of heaven is like a net”

Matthew 13:47

“Therefore every scribe who has been
trained for the **kingdom** of heaven”

Matthew 13:52

“At that time Herod the tetrarch heard about the fame of Jesus, and he said to his servants, ‘This is John the Baptist.

“‘He has been raised from the dead; that is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.’

“For Herod had seized John and bound him
and put him in prison for the sake of
Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife,

“because John had been saying to him, ‘It is not lawful for you to have her.’

“And though he wanted to put him to death,
he feared the people, because they held him
to be a prophet.

“But when Herod’s birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced before the company and pleased Herod,

“so that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask.

“Prompted by her mother, she said, ‘Give me the head of John the Baptist here on a platter.’

“And the king was sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he commanded it to be given.

“He sent and had John beheaded in the prison, and his head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she brought it to her mother.

“And his disciples came and took the body
and buried it, and they went and told Jesus.”

Matthew 14:1-12

“Matthew, what is the point of knowing why and how John the Baptist died?”

Video

THE THREE HERODS



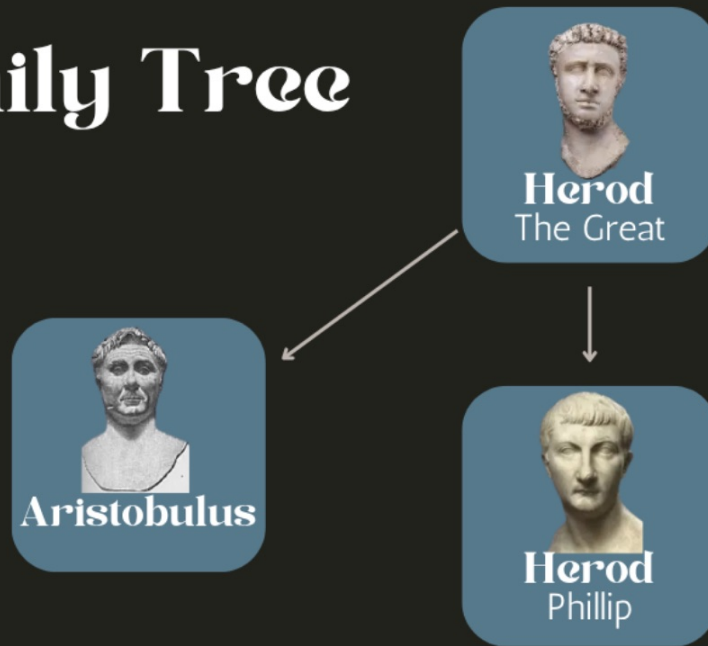
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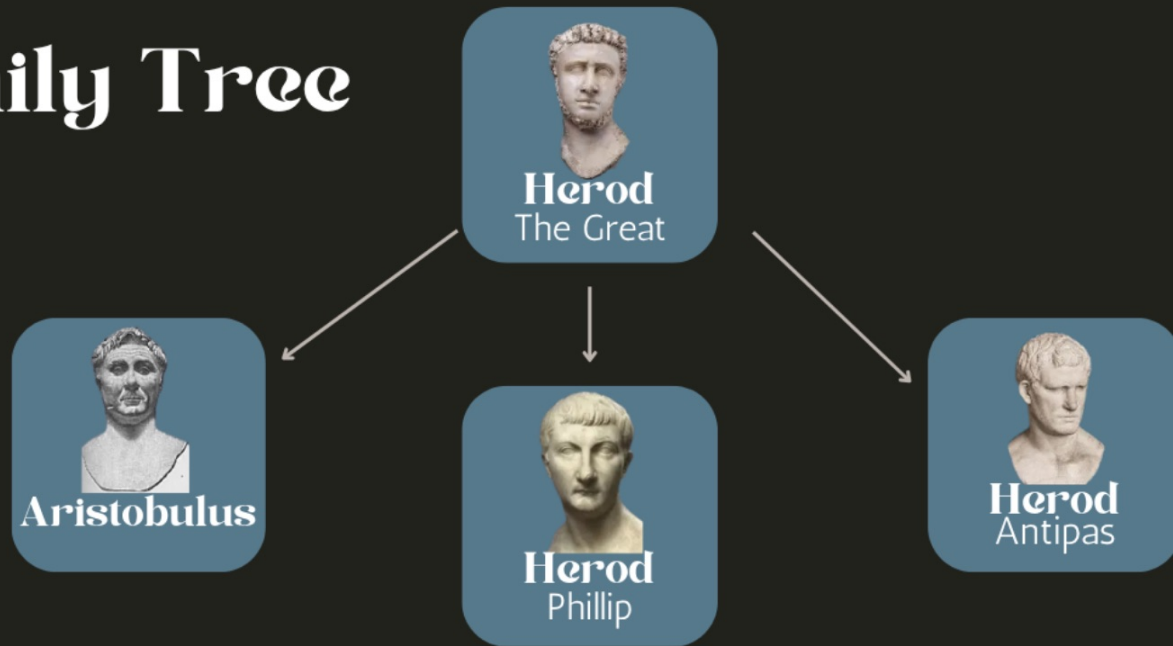
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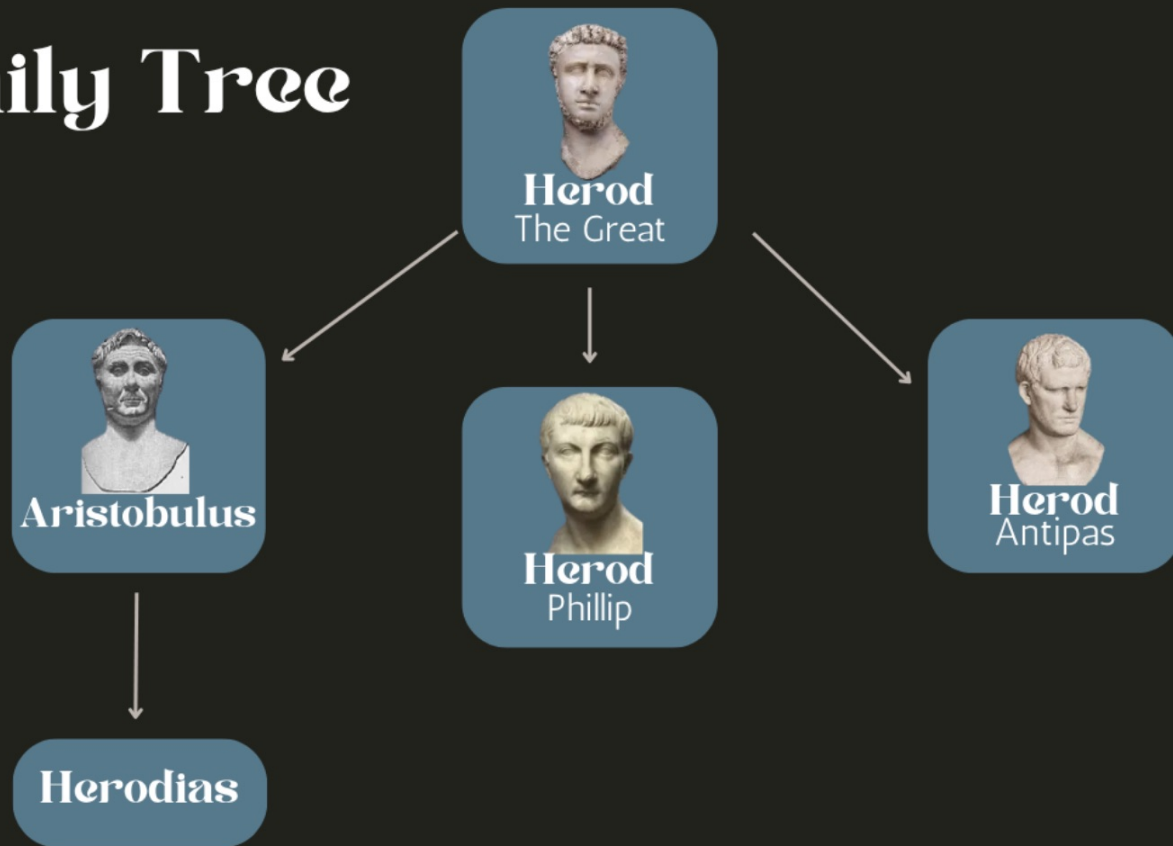
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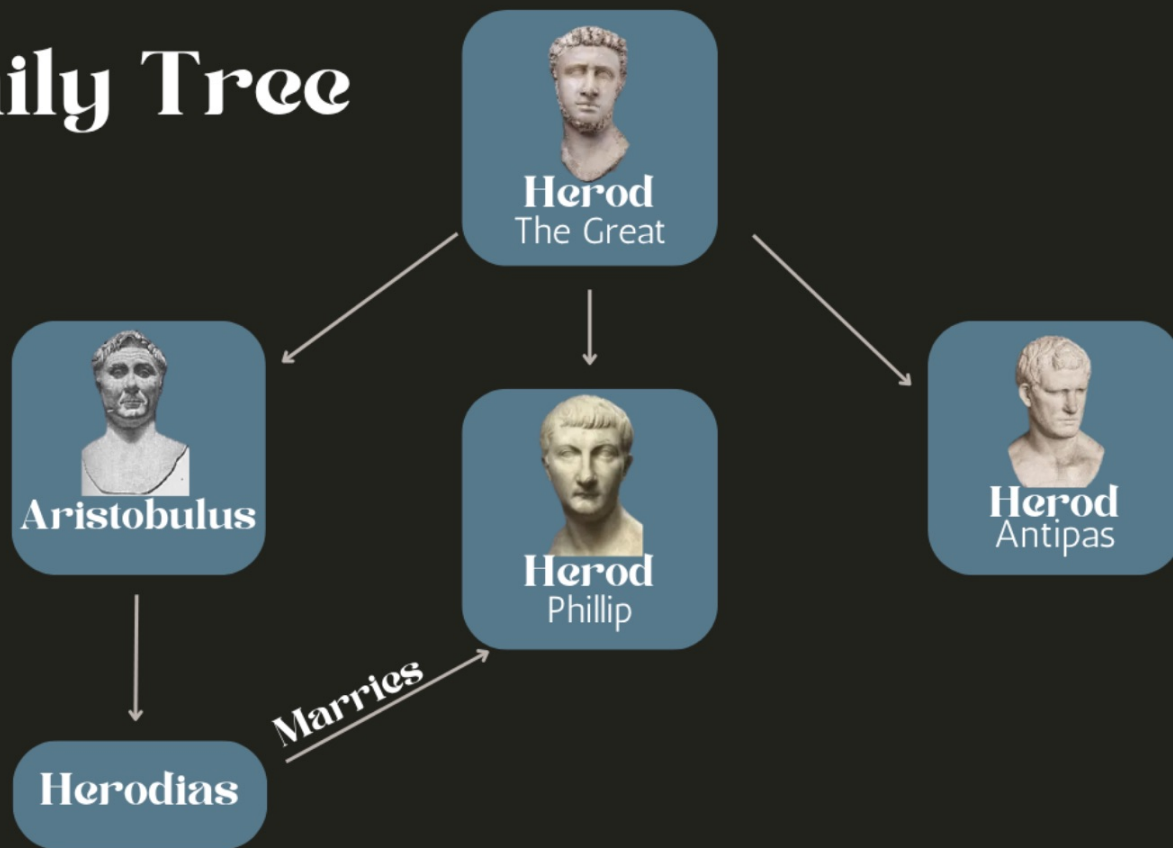
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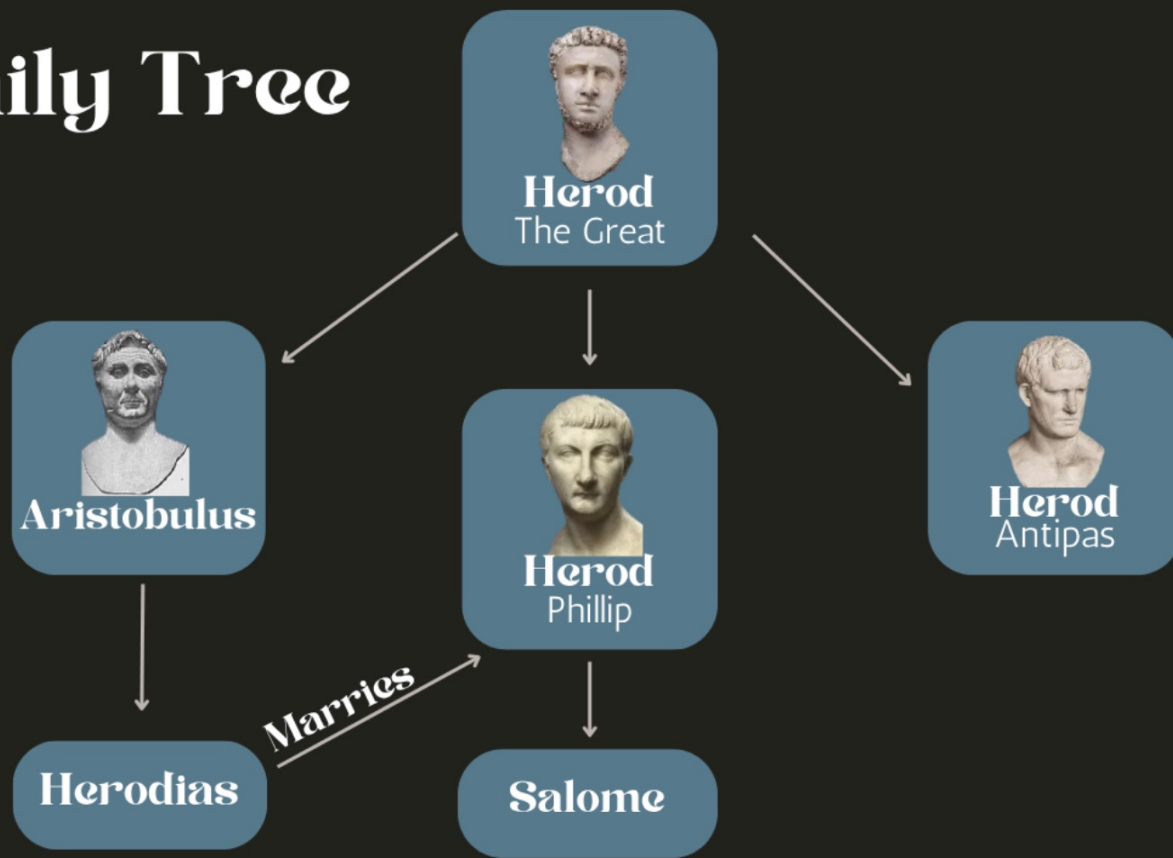
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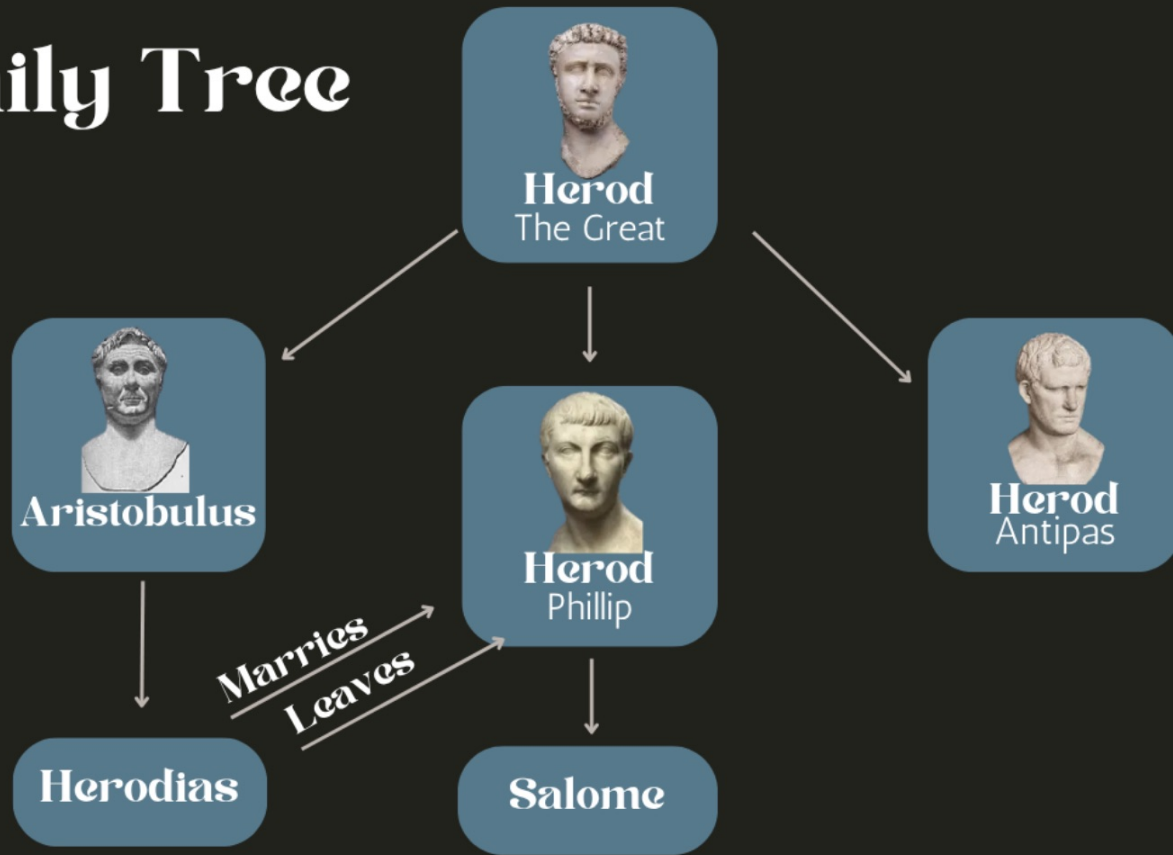
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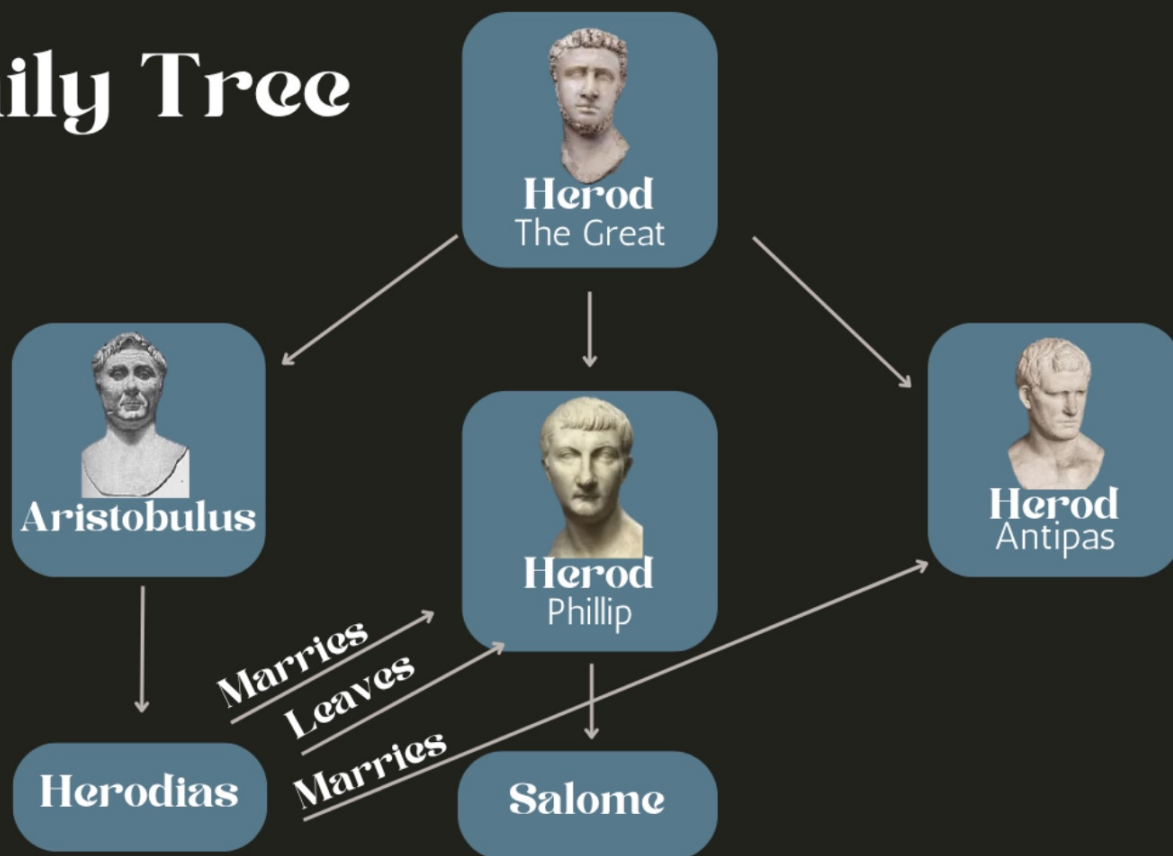
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Herod Antipas is **unstable** (at best).

“When he heard him, he was greatly
perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.”

Mark 6:20b

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Herodias is a **portrait of evil.**

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Salome is a **victim of abuse**.

JOHN THE BAPTIST



- **messenger** who prepares the way for the Messiah (3:3; 11:10)

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- challenger to religious leaders (3:7-10)

- **lesser** than the Messiah (3:11)

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- hesitant baptizer of Jesus (3:14)

- **discouraged** inmate looking for reassurance (11:3)

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- **prophet** (3:9)

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- **prophet** (3:9)
- known for being different (3:4; 11:18)

“Matthew, what is the point of knowing why and how John the Baptist died?”

John's death story demonstrates **humanity is accountable** to God's kingdom laws.

Everyone is accountable to God's law.

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God's kingdom laws do not require personal belief to be personally applicable.

“Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law,

“so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.”

Romans 3:19

John's death story illustrates the dramatic
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“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up.

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“Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he
has and buys that field.” Matthew 13:44

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.”

Matthew 13:45-46

“Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?’”

Matthew 11:2-3

“And Jesus answered them, ‘Go and tell John what you hear and see:

“the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them.”

Matthew 11:4-5

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Matthew 5:10-12

“shine like the sun in the kingdom of their
Father.”

Matthew 13:43

John's death story foreshadows Jesus's
death story.

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 3:2

John's death points us to Jesus's death.

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Jesus the forever and ever king will die for his kingdom and his people.

“Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’ Jesus said, ‘You have said so.’”

Matthew 27:11

“Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him.

“And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and twisting together a crown of thorns,

“they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, ‘Hail, King of the Jews!’”

Matthew 27:27-29

“And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots.

“Then they sat down and kept watch over him there.

“And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, ‘This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.’”

Matthew 27:35-37

John was a herald; Jesus is king.

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John was a sinner; Jesus is the Savior.

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John was a sinner; Jesus is the Savior.

John stayed dead; Jesus arose.

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