Influence

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INTRODUCTION

- The word influence means the effect that something has. We all have influence.
- King Herod thought that Jesus was John the Baptist.
- A right influence is so important. We need to be people that have a right influence.

1 A Right Influence Can Haunt Those Guilty of Sin

Mark 6:14–16

- Herod thought someone who was a preacher had risen from the dead.
- A right influence haunted him because he was guilty of sin.
- A right influence can literally haunt those guilty of sin.

2 Good Influence Can Last Beyond One's Own Life

Mark 6:15–16

- We need to affect the world with our influence all the time.
- Our influence can last so long that even once we're gone, we're still influencing people.
- Every single one of us has someone who has influenced us or impacted us through our life, right?
- We look at a situation where John is mistaken for a living person. John's already dead.

3 A Wrong Relationship: Find the Right One

Mark 6:17–18; Matthew 19:4–9

- It's very important that we remember to do what God says at every age.
- Therefore, what God is joined together, let not man separate.
- They were in a wrong relationship. Herod and Herodias. It should have been Philip and Herodias.
- Make sure whoever you are dating, and whoever you become engaged to, and then whoever you marry is going to help you get to heaven.

4 Just and Holy Influence: Even Your Enemies Will Respect You

Mark 6:20; Acts 8

- It is your influence that needs to be just and holy.
- We can be just, we can be holy, and even our enemies will respect us.
- For we are strangers and pilgrims and sojourners.
- Influence. We need to impact the world. And brethren and friends and family, we can.
- We have to look for those opportunities of people who invite us up to the chariot to hear the message of the Lord.
- When it happens, we better know the scriptures enough to tell them what it says.

5 Haste or Impulsiveness Reduces One's Influence

Mark 6:22–27; Acts 8

- Haste or impulsiveness reduces one's influence.
- Philip, the evangelist was invited into the chariot of the Ethiopian eunuch in Acts 8.
- Look at Mark chapter 6, verses 22, 25, and 27. And there you see senses of impulsiveness, haste, and it reduced the influence.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **We can't just force the gospel on someone. We must look for those golden opportunities.**

MY NOTES