



Title | Lunch for Worms
Series | The Church That Changed the World
Text | Acts 12:18-25
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Sermon Notes

Acts 12:18 Now when day came, there was no little disturbance among the soldiers over what had become of Peter. **19** And after Herod searched for him and did not find him, he examined the sentries and ordered that they should be put to death. Then he went down from Judea to Caesarea and spent time there. **20** Now Herod was angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon, and they came to him with one accord, and having persuaded Blastus, the king's chamberlain, they asked for peace, because their country depended on the king's country for food. **21** On an appointed day Herod put on his royal robes, took his seat upon the throne, and delivered an oration to them. **22** And the people were shouting, "The voice of a god, and not of a man!" **23** Immediately an angel of the Lord struck him down, because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms and breathed his last. **24** But the word of God increased and multiplied. **25** And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had completed their service, bringing with them John, whose other name was Mark.
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Big Idea:

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For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read Acts 12:18-19. Why all the fuss about what had become of Peter? Why do you think Herod had the soldiers executed?

Tuesday:

Read Acts 12:20-21. Why do you think Herod staged a formal public address in response to the people from Tyre and Sidon requesting food?

Wednesday:

Read Acts 12:22. Why would the people from Tyre and Sidon be shouting such a thing? Why would the Jews in Caesarea do so?

Thursday:

Read Acts 12:23. Why was Herod stricken? What does this suggest about the sovereignty of God?

Friday:

Read Acts 12:24. What does this suggest about the extent to which God has things under control? How can you apply this?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, help me to embrace the truth that my wellbeing as a Christian depends not on the blissful absence of troubles, but on your faithful control over them. I am so grateful. Help me to keep my chin up and my knees down. Amen.