

## Study Notes and Questions for Matthew Chapter Fourteen

- Why do you think Herod jumped to the conclusion that Jesus was John the Baptist raised from the dead?
- The ungodly situation Herod created by marrying his brother's wife is often echoed in our own society today. What are some of the effects of divorce and remarriage today?
- How did Jesus respond to hearing of John's death and do His actions provide a model for us to follow?
- Why do you think Jesus chose "a solitary place" for a private retreat after He heard about John's death?
- How did Jesus respond to the people clamoring to be near Him (14:14) and what does this tell us about the heart of God?
- How should believers be responding with compassion today?
- How might you have responded had you been one of the disciples when Jesus said, "You give them something to eat!"? (14:16)
- What was Jesus teaching His closest men by feeding the multitude and do you think they understood the lesson?
- In what areas have you seen Jesus multiply what little has been given to Him? Are there any "little" areas you see other Christians holding back from Him?
- What significant confession did the disciples make after the storm that nearly swamped their boat (14:33)?
- What is the primary lesson of the event from the Sea of Galilee?
- In 14:33 we're told the disciples worshipped Jesus. What does that tell you about Jesus?
- What do you feel was the most significant aspect of this study?