

Questions on Acts chapter 12

1. What is this Herod the King usually called and how was he related to the Herod who ordered the killing of the babies of Bethlehem? Verse 1.

2. Why is James identified as “the brother of John”? Verse 2.

3. Why was Peter arrested and why was he not killed also? Verse 3.

4. Why are there so many soldiers guarding Peter? Did people really celebrate Easter then? Verse 4.

5. What do you think Herod had planned for Peter and what did the church do? Verse 5.

6. What precautions had Herod taken to keep Peter in prison and why? Verse 6.

7. What miraculous things took place and what woke up Peter? Verse 7.

8. What was Peter's reaction to the angel's command and what did he think was happening? Verses 8-9.

9. How do you think Peter got by the guards and through the gate? When did the angel leave? Verse 10.

10. What was Peter's conclusion concerning his deliverance? Verse 11.

11. How do you think Peter determined to go to Mary's house? Verse 12.

12. What do you think the people who were inside the house praying thought when they heard Peter knock? Verse 13.

13. How do you think Rhoda recognized Peter's voice? Why didn't she open the door? Verse 14.

14. What superstition of the day caused the disciples to question Rhoda's statement? Verse 15.

15. What was the reaction of the disciples when they finally opened the door? Verse 16.

16. What happened after Peter told his story? Who is this James? Who are the brethren? Verse 17.

17. When did the soldiers discover Peter's escape and what is meant by "no small stir"? Verse 18.

18. What actions of Herod caused some scholars to think his conscience drove him to go to Caesarea? Verse 19.

19. Why did the people of Tyre and Sidon have Blastus for their friend? Verse 20.

20. What was it that gave Herod an appearance almost supernatural as he gave his oration? Verse 21.

21. As a partly Jewish person, how was Herod acting contrary to his own knowledge in accepting the worship of those in Caesarea? Verse 22.

22. How does the biblical account agree with Josephus who said that Herod was seized with violent pains in the bowels? Verse 23.

23. How did the providential and sudden death of Herod affect the public mind? Verse 24.

24. How would it have been possible for Barnabas and Saul to be in Jerusalem during this time? Verse 25.