



# FIVE CHRISTMASSES

Herod: The False King

Dec 14-15, 2019

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## Questions for Meditation & Discussion

1. How would you summarize the main point of this message?
2. Who was Herod the Great and what was his attitude toward the Magi's question?
3. What does it mean that Jesus is King? How would you characterize His rulership?
4. What does it mean that Herod and we are NOT king?
5. Why did Herod--like pharaoh--try to slaughter all the children? Why does the devil do this?
6. What does it mean to worship the King and seek first His Kingdom?
7. How will you live in obedience to what God is saying to you today?

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