



Celebrate

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A blurred high-speed train is shown at a station platform. The train is moving quickly, creating a sense of motion. A large, semi-transparent orange circle is overlaid on the image, centered behind the text. The background is dark and out of focus, emphasizing the train and the text.

“To celebrate is to take part in special enjoyable activities in order to show that a particular occasion is important. We bring attention to something which is not happening every day.”

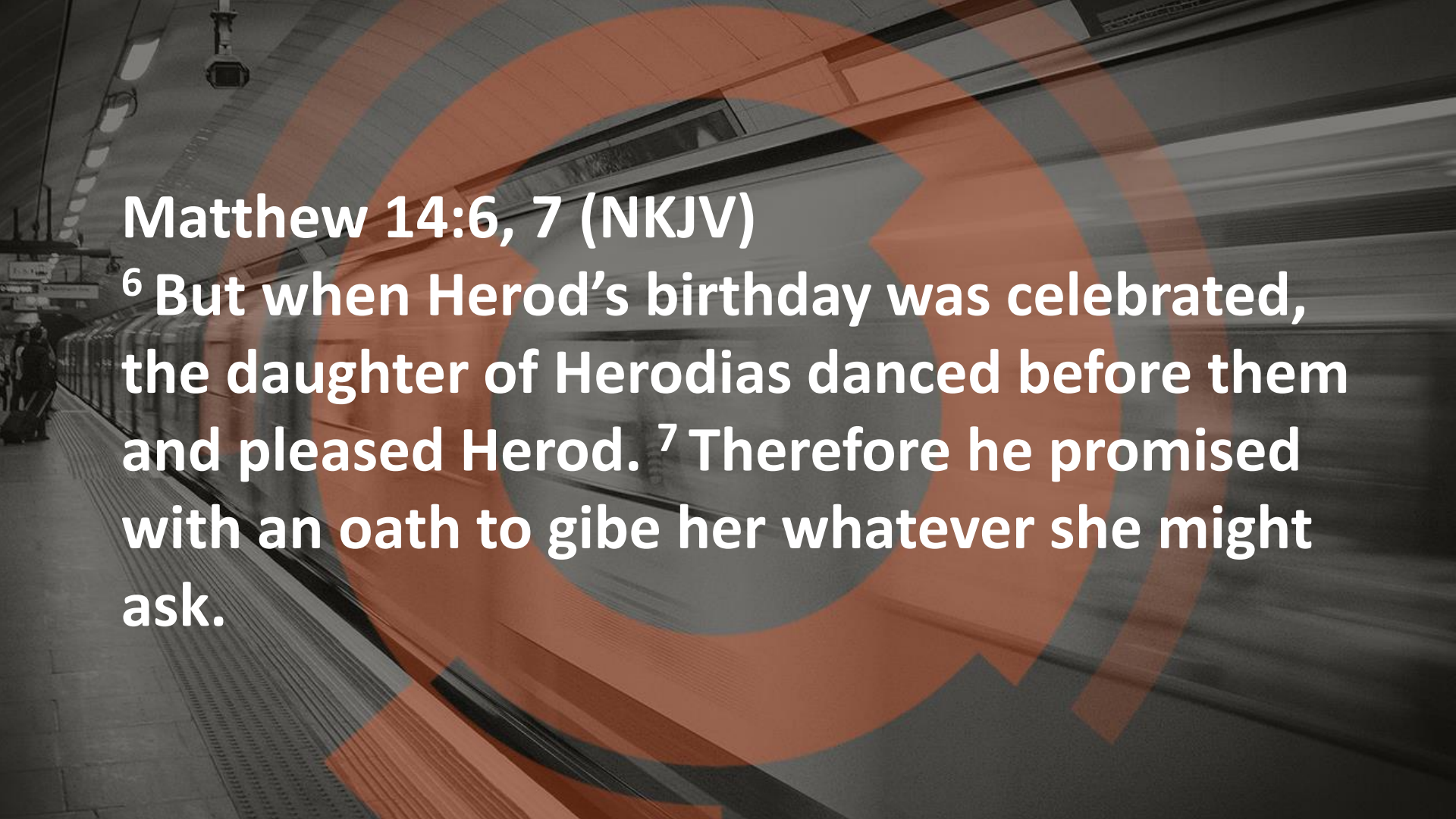






Genesis 40:20 (NKJV)

Now it came to pass on the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast for all his servants; and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.



Matthew 14:6, 7 (NKJV)

⁶ But when Herod's birthday was celebrated, the daughter of Herodias danced before them and pleased Herod. ⁷ Therefore he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask.

1 Corinthians 10 : 31-33 (NKJV)

³¹ Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. ³² Give no offense, either to the Jews or to the Greeks or to the church of God, ³³ just as I also please all men in all things, not seeking my own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved.



Romans 14:5 (NKJV)

⁵ One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind.

Colossians 2: 16-17 (AMP)

¹⁶ Therefore let no one judge you in regard to food and drink or in regard to [the observance of] a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day.¹⁷ Such things are only a shadow of what is to come and they have only symbolic value; but the substance [the reality of what is foreshadowed] belongs to Christ.



Matthew 28: 19-20 (NKJV)

¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even to the end of the age.*” Amen.



Luke 22 : 19-20 (NKJV)

¹⁹ And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” ²⁰ Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.



Luke 15: 7 (NKJV)

⁷ I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

A black and white photograph of a high-speed train moving rapidly through a station. The train is blurred to convey speed. In the foreground, a person is standing on the platform, looking towards the train. A large, semi-transparent orange circle is overlaid on the image, centered on the train. The text "Celebrate who you are in Christ!" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the image, partially overlapping the orange circle and the train.

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