

Reflection Questions:

1. What is the difference between reacting and responding? How do observe these in the world around you? In yourself?
2. Herod represents reacting to the coercion of the time. What were the coercive forces in Herod's time? In ours?
3. Read Psalm 84. How does this describe a life of communion with God? What does 'communion with God' mean?

Practice for the Week:

Each day read Ephesians 1:15-19. Pray for wisdom and revelation to discern the coercive powers of the world around us vs. the invitation of communion with God. Be attentive to the areas of life you're tempted to be coerced. How, instead, can you seek communion with God?