

Audition Script 4 – Herod

Herod starts to get impatient as he listens to what the religious leaders have to say

Herod: **Come now, Jesus! I am giving you an opportunity in front of these men and of course myself** *(firmly says myself)* **to display your miracles.** *(Getting more impatient)* **Show me one...just one...and this will all go away.**

No response from Jesus. Religious leaders continue to shout accusations at Jesus

Herod: *(Disappointed and starting to agree with the religious leaders)* **You are hardly what I expected. By the way, where are all of your so-called followers, hmm** *(mockingly)? I heard you were quite popular...but with who, the deaf and the blind* *(laughing at Jesus as are the religious leaders)!!! Ohh yes, I want to follow this man!! The man who says nothing! Oh yes, he's so wise* *(mocking Jesus)!!*

Jesus continues to stand there not having said a word with no change in facial expression but that of having a straight face from start to finish in this scene

Herod: **Now then, I have wasted enough of my time with this man. I do not see how he could lead a revolt though! He seems innocent to me, so take him back to Pilate! But you can tell him though that this is what Herod thinks of the “King of the Jews!!”** *(The purple garment is thrown on Jesus as the religious leaders and Herod continue to laugh and mock Jesus. Herod spits in Jesus' face as he walks offstage still laughing at Jesus)*