



SERMON OF THE WEEK



PREACH JESUS!

"The Perilous Preparation!"

Matthew 2:13-23 NKJV

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INTRODUCTION

| | Matthew | Mark | Luke | John |
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| <i>Style of writing</i> | Teacher | Preacher | Historian | Theologian |
| <i>Concentration</i> | Jesus' Sermons | Jesus' Miracles | Jesus' Parables | Jesus' Doctrine |
| <i>Audience</i> | Jews | Romans | Greeks | The World |
| <i>Portrays Jesus as</i> | King | Servant | Perfect Man | Mighty God |
| <i>Genealogy</i> | To David through Solomon | Not needed | To David through Nathan | Doesn't have one |
| <i>Focus</i> | Humanity | | | Deity |

THREE OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES FULFILLED

1) Matthew 2:15 NKJV

... "Out of Egypt I called My Son."

- A. In the Old Testament
God led His chosen children out of Egypt to save them from Satan's wrath
- B. In the New Testament
God led His beloved Son into Egypt for the same purpose, to save them from Satan's wrath
- C. Numbers 23 & 24
Balaam's three Prophecies to Balak, king of Moab confirmed God's love for His children
 - Numbers 23:19-24 – "God is not a man that He should lie..."
 - Numbers 24:4-9 (verse 8) – "God brings Him out of Egypt..."
 - Numbers 24:17
- D. Hosea 11:1 and 11:11
- E. Like Israel, God's love for His children

2) Matthew 2:18 NKJV

His birthplace would suffer the massacre of innocent infant children.

- A. In the Old Testament
Egypt, the birthplace of Moses
Suffered the massacre of infant children,
because Pharoah heard the prophecy of the coming deliverer.
 - B. In the New Testament
Bethlehem, the birthplace of Messiah
Suffered the massacre of infant children
because Herod heard the prophecy.
 - C. God's greatest triumphs are often born out of immense human suffering.
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3) Matthew 2:23 NKJV

He shall be called a Nazarene.

Matthew 2:23 has nothing to do with Nazarite vow in Numbers 6:2.

- A. Isaiah 11:1
There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.
Branch (Hebrew: *netser*) sounds like "Nazareth"
Branch was a designation for Messiah.
 - B. Matthew is not quoting any specific OT prophecy
Referring to the theme of OT prophets.
OT prophets foretold that Messiah would be despised
Comparable to the way in which Nazareth was despised in Jesus' day.
 - C. Messiah would be despised Psalm 22:6; Isaiah 49:7, Isaiah 53:3
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CONCLUSION

There are 37 OT prophecies regarding Messiah.

Matthew would have you know today that Jesus is Messiah.

Of the 37 prophecies, Matthew records 26.

So, what are we to do with that? **Preach Jesus!**