

## **Matt 2:13-15**

### *Sovereign God and Sadistic King (Part 1)*

#### The Sovereign God Protects the Messiah

## **Application of Matt 2:13-15**

1. Meditate on the blessing and privilege we have that God has chosen to speak to us and reveal Himself to us. See also Psalm 19; John 1:1-18; 1 Cor 2:12-14; Heb 1:1-2
2. Is there a difference in the authority of God's Word spoken through His angel or through His written Word?
  - a. How does God's written Word protect us from danger?
3. What do we learn about God through the ordinary and physical (but challenging & dangerous) escape of Joseph's family?
  - a. How does this apply to God's sovereign hand in our lives, including through challenges and trials?
  - b. How did Joseph respond to God's instructions, though it wouldn't have sounded pleasant or good?
  - c. How does God's sovereignty and Joseph's response encourage and challenge you as you consider your circumstances?
4. What principles of hermeneutics (the method of interpreting Scripture) can you learn from Matthew's use of Hosea 11:1?
  - a. How could you apply this to his use of Jer 31:15 which we'll consider next week?
5. How does Matthew's use of Hosea 11:1 fit into the theological message he's giving us about Jesus in these opening chapters (including His identity as God's beloved Son, as representative of Israel, as the Davidic king, and our deliverer)?
6. What is the hope and freedom we have in Christ as revealed through this story?
7. Thank God not only for His sovereign hand to protect the Messiah, but His sovereign hand to punish the Messiah on your behalf, so that you are now redeemed by the blood of the precious Lamb.

Reading this week: Matthew chapter 2

## Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>  <i>Sovereign G_____ and Sadistic K_____</i>  (Part ____)  The S_____ God Protects the M_____	<u>Other Bible References:</u> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<u>Chapter</u>		
<u>Verses</u>		

### Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Child/Son	Egypt	Israel	King/Messiah	Matthew/Hosea

What is the message about? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

What/who can you pray for? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture related to the message: