



Prophecies Fulfilled in the Messiah-Matthew 2:13-23

- 1) His birth in Bethlehem as a Shepherd-ruler (2:1-12)
- 2) His identification w/Israel as God's Son out of Egypt
 - a) Relived Israel's failures out of Egypt
 - b) Relived their 40 years of wandering (Matt 4)
- 3) His threat as Israel's King heard in Ramah
 - a) Though weeping begins, tears will dissipate (Jer 31:16)
 - b) Tears of exile in 605; of joy in 539
 - c) Captive to sin at birth, released from bondage at faith
 - d) "All Israel will be saved..." (Rom. 11:26-27; cf. Isa. 27:9; 59:20-21)
- 4) His scorn as a Nazarene from Galilee (cf. John 1:10-11; 7:52)
 - a) Despised (Pss 22:6-8, 13; 69:8, 20-21; Isa 53:2-3, 8; Dan 9:26)
 - b) Scoffed at (Matt 8:20; 11:16-19; 15:7-8; cf. John 1:46; Acts 24:5)
- 5) Observations
 - a) Most of the time God uses ordinary, non-miraculous means to accomplish His will
 - b) Some, like Joseph, appear then disappear w/o a word
 - c) It is futile to rail against God (Psalm 2:1-6)
 - d) God's plan will be accomplished in spite of man's best efforts to stop Him

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