

***The Great Escape*
and Return of the King**

Matthew 2:13-23

The Gospel of
Matthew

Jesus The Messiah King

Preaching Series on Matthew

“Come Worship Jesus the Messiah King”

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Gospel According to
Matthew

God's Sovereign Salvation Plan

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Three More Dreams

His prophecies fulfilled!

- **The Escape of the King**
'Out of Egypt I called my son.'
- **The Return of the King**
'he would be called a Nazarene.'



First Dream

Warning of a Threat

¹³ When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. 'Get up,' he said, 'take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.'

**What a Crisis!
Herod, the cruel
and ruthless ruler**



The Escape to Egypt

14 So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt,

Prophecy Hosea 11:1 Fulfilled

And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: 'Out of Egypt I called my son.'

**From the son of David,
the son of Abraham to
the Son of God, the Saviour**



Herod commanded the killing

¹⁶ When Herod realised that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi.

What a Tragedy!



Prophecy by Jeremiah **31:15 fulfilled**

18 'A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.'

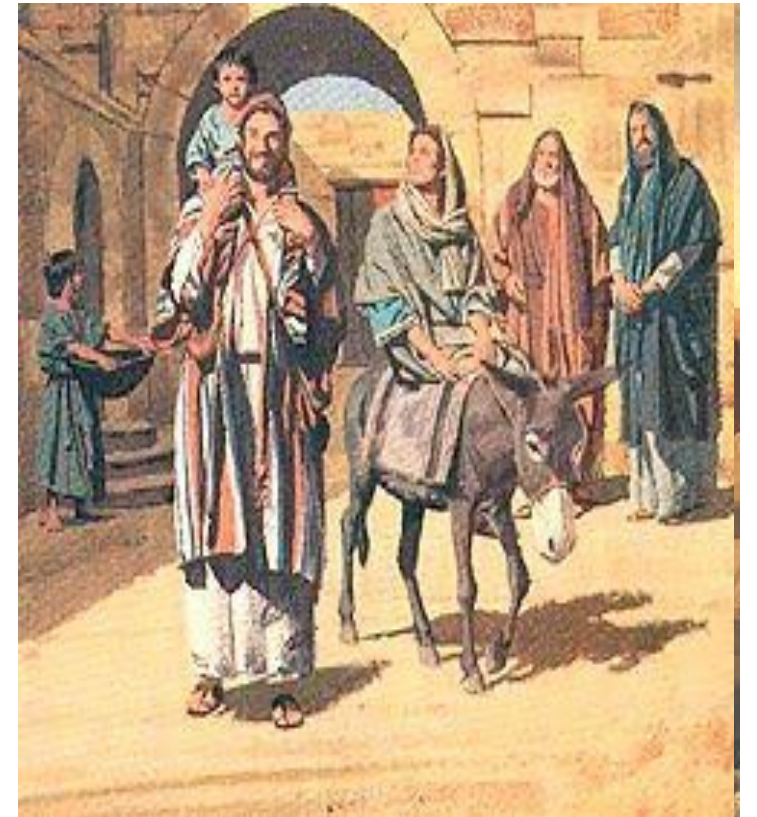
**Weeping of Rachel at
the Jews who were
exile to Babylon**



Second Dream **The Return of the King**

¹⁹ After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt ²⁰ and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead.'²¹ So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel.

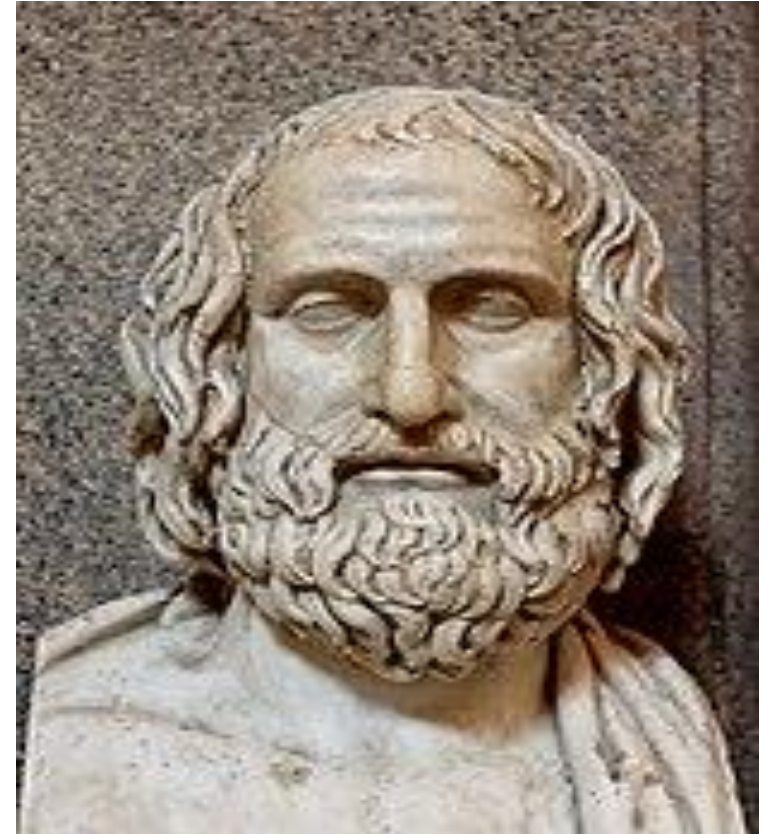
The Call back to Israel



Third Dream: A New Threat

²² But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, ²³ and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth.

**Archelaus, the Cruel
and Incompetent ruler**



Prophecy Fulfilled

So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

Raised a Nazarene

In a humble, obscure, and contemptable place to be despised

Jesus the King of Nazareth



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Salvation Plan for US!

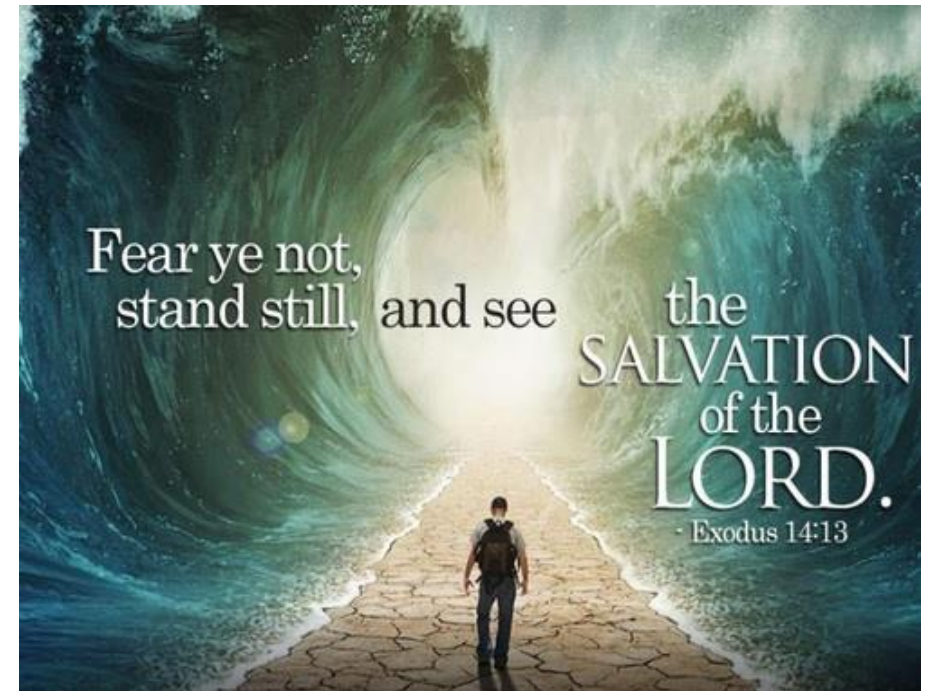


The Escape and Return of the King

**Egypt to the Promised Land
Exodus and Our Deliverance**

***Jesus is a symbolic successor
of Moses who delivered his
people from slavery***

**Saviour who delivered
us from slavery to sin**





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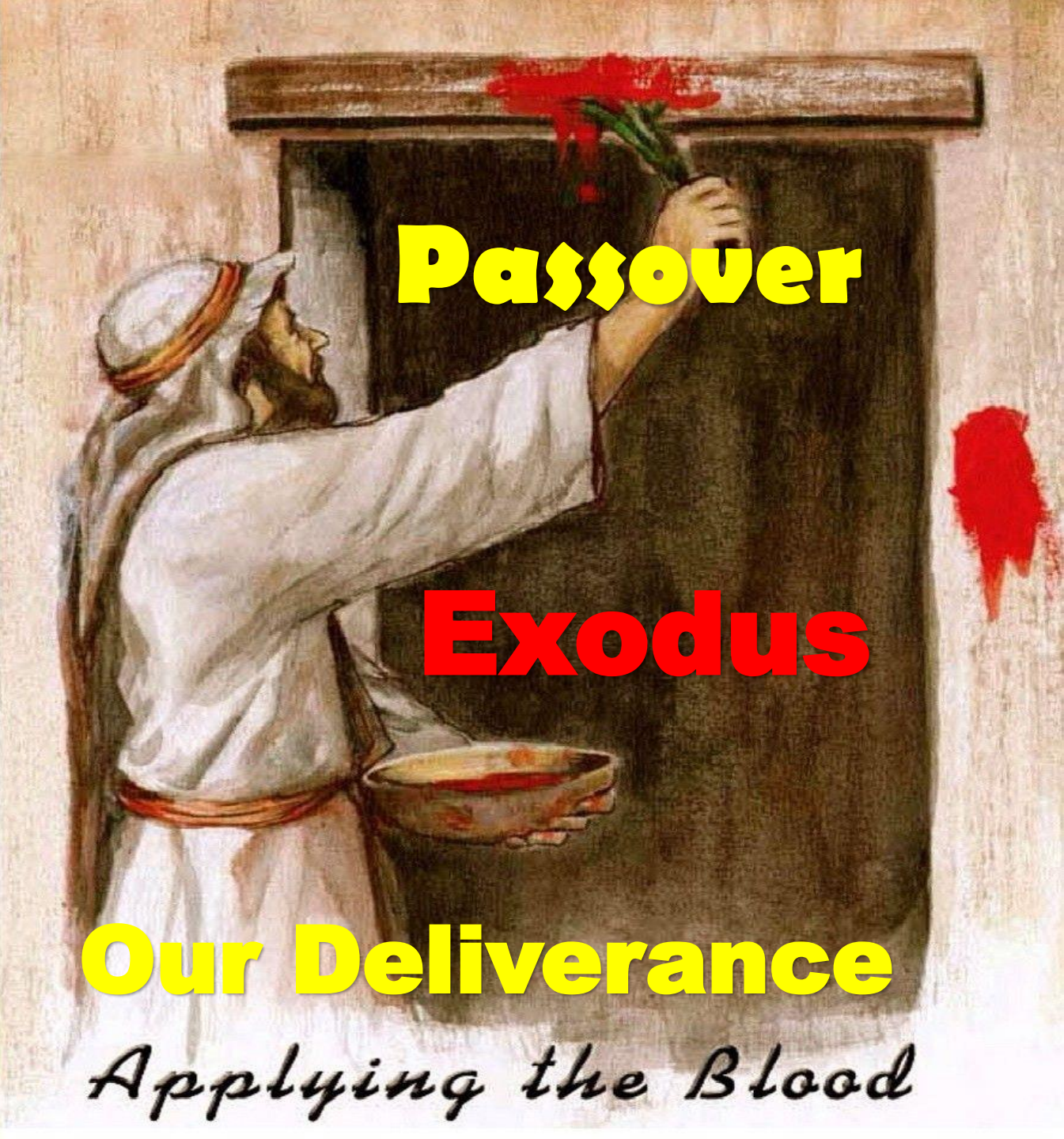
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Passover

Exodus

Our Deliverance

Applying the Blood

福 = 示 + 一 + 口 + 田

Happiness

God

One

Man

Garden

造

to create

園

garden

魔

tempter

船

boat

告 土 丩 之

spea dust, life walk mud

土 + 口 + 二 + 口 = 園

dust breath two enclosure garden persons

厶 + 儿 + 田 + 丩 = 鬼
secret man garden [alive] devil

鬼 + 林 + 广 = 魔
devil trees cover tempter

舟 八 口

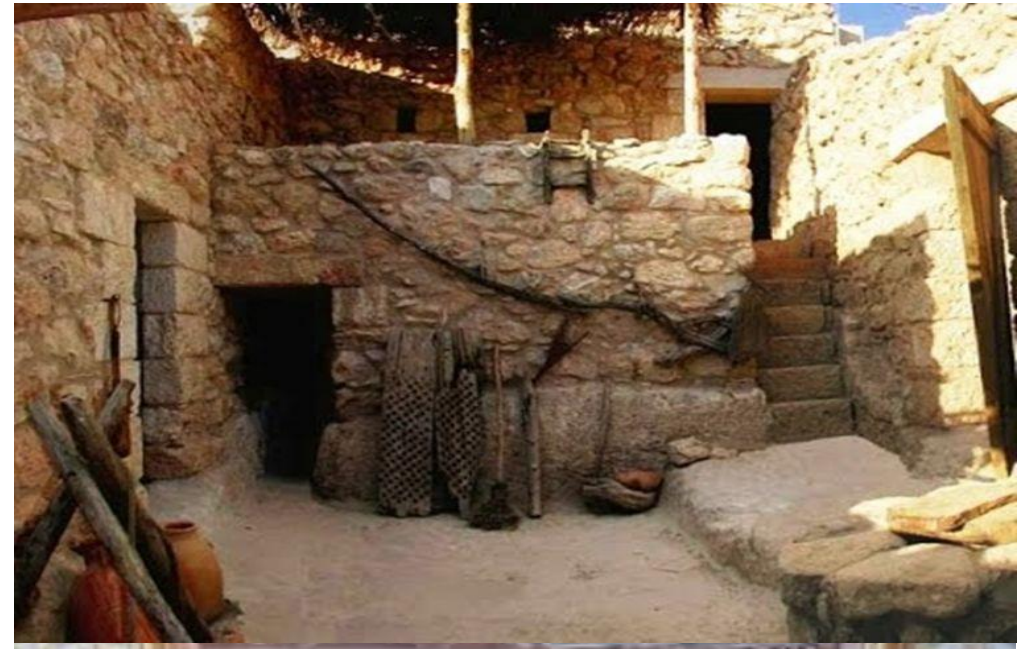
vessel eight people

Jesus was a Nazarene

'he would be called a Nazarene.'

*Raised in a humble, obscure,
and contemptable place*

**So that we can
identify with him and
come to know him**



Jesus is the King from Nazareth

John 19:19

when he was crucified,

Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.



Jesus on the cross

**He suffered pain,
humiliation, and
died a terrible death
to save us.**

**All Because He lived a truly
sanctified life for us**

FOR THEM I SANCTIFY
MYSELF, SO THAT THEY
TOO MAY BE SANCTIFIED
BY THE TRUTH.

- JOHN 17:19

Jesus prayed for the disciples

**Come Worship Jesus the
Messiah King of Nazareth**

*Be sanctified as
Jesus is sanctified*

**Be humble
Live the holy
sacrificial life
to glorify him!**





**That you may prosper in
all things and be in health,
just as your soul prospers.**

3 John 2

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