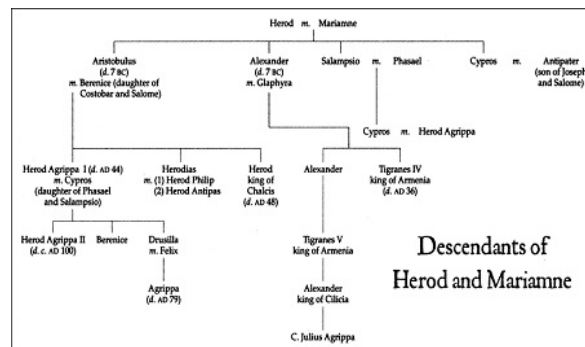


Jesus-From Egypt I Will Call My Son - Matthew 1.13-23

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Introduction:

Most of us try to bring our babies in to a good and safe environment. Jesus was born being hated by Satan and an earthly ruler.



I) The Herods

A) Herod the Great (37 B.C to 4 A.D.)-*Matthew 2.13-18*

1. Killed 45 members of the Sanhedrin
2. Killed 2 brothers-in-law, 3 sons, his favorite wife, and mother-in-law
3. At his death chief Jewish men were executed to insure mourning at his death.

B) Archelaus 4 B.C, - 6 A.D.)- *Matthew 2.19-23*

1. Ruled 10 years with cruelty

2. Deposed by Caesar, banished to Gaul (France)

C) Herod Antipas (6 A.D.- 29 A.D.)-*Mark 6.14-29*

1. Married Herodius and had John beheaded.
2. Faced Jesus in *Luke 23.8-9*

D) Herod Agrippa II - *Acts 26.28*

1. Sat in judgement of Paul.

II) Herod the Great Plan Fails & Slaughters Innocent Babies

A) Reminds us of Moses and Pharaoh

1. Both Moses and Jesus were in danger due to the fear of the rulers, *Exodus 1.8-10, 15-16*.
2. The mid-wives disobeyed because they feared God, *v. 17*
3. The wise men worshipped Jesus and were told to not tell Herod, *Matthew 2.12*.

B) Both saw the death of innocent babies

1. Israelites were thrown into the Nile River, *Exodus 1.22*.
2. The time of sorrow recorded in *Jeremiah 31.15*.
3. All male children two years old and younger in Bethlehem and surrounding districts were killed, *Matthew 2.16*.

4. The providence of God at work in both cases.

III) Jesus Goes to Egypt

A) Egypt in history.

1. Isolated by terrain, protected by distance.
2. Cities without walls.

B) Most people lived along the Nile River

1. Irrigation and crocodiles

C) Multi-god society

D) Structured government, dynasties

IV) Egypt and Israel

A) Abraham traveled to Egypt, *Genesis 12.10, 15*

B) Joseph sold in slavery, *Genesis 39*

C) Famine in the land, Jacob and his family dwells in Egypt, *Genesis 46.2-4, 27*

1. 400 years of growth, *Exodus 1.7*
2. Persecution (the iron furnace), *Exodus 1.13-14; Deut. 4.20, Jeremiah 11.4.*
3. The plagues and Israel leave Egypt, *Exodus 12.14*
4. Friendship with Egypt is bad.

5. Pharaoh Necho kills Josiah at Megiddo, *2 Kings 23.29-30*
6. After the destruction of Jerusalem, Israelites try to escape captivity by going to Egypt, *Jeremiah 42.13-16*.

D) They were told to remember

1. The power of God as He brought them out of Egypt
2. God's punishment
3. Jehovah overcoming the gods of Egypt with the plagues
4. Being strangers in Egypt, *Lev. 19.34*
5. Not to trust in Egypt, *Isaiah 31.1*.

E) Egypt as a greater symbol of all other nations.

1. For sin, *Revelation 11.8*
2. God will judge and punish, *Isaiah 1.1,3,12*.
3. The promise of God, *Isaiah 19.19-21, 23-25*
 - a. They will turn to worship God
 - b. Idolatrous temples will be destroyed and the true temple erected, *Isaiah 2.2-4; 27.13*
 - c. Gentiles will be drawn to God, *Isaiah 42.6*

F) The Savior will come out of Egypt

1. *Matthew 2.13-15* with *Exodus 4.22* and *Hosea 11.1*
2. Moses was called to bring God's people out of slavery.
3. Jesus was called out of Egypt to deliver God's people from the bondage of sin.