

## Sunday, December 17, 2017

**MISSION ACCOMPLISHED-PROMISE FULFILLED:** God the Son was on a mission when He came to the manger. God always fulfills His promises, even at Christmas. God's faithfulness then reminds us we can trust Him today.

### **IT'S NOT ALL A CELEBRATION... Matthew 2:13-18 (676 in Pew Bible)**

*"Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him." When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "**Out of Egypt I called My Son.**" Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: "**A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.**"*

### **LEARNING LESSONS FROM THESE FULFILLED PROPHECIES**

#### **1) Out of Egypt I Called My Son-**

Numbers 24:8 (110 in Pew Bible)

Hosea 11:1 (630 in Pew Bible)

#### **2) A Voice was Heard in Ramah-**

Jeremiah 31:15 (548 in Pew Bible)

#### **In light of this...**

*How has God's love for you affected your Christmas?*

*How are you treating the Christ child this Christmas?*