Series *Sermon-based Growth Group Questions*

December 13, 2020

Matthew 2:13-23

Introductory Discussion:
What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Discussion:

1. Jesus had to go to Egypt to avoid Herod. Who does that remind you of from the Old Testament?

2. Herod ordered the killing of male children to try to stop the prophecy. What happened in Egypt that was similar when the Israelites were enslaved there?

3. What is the Old Testament parallel to Jesus's return to Israel?

What was God trying to get Pharoah to acknowledge?	
What was Herod trying to avoid acknowledging?	
What is Moses known for bringing to the people?	
What did Jesus bring for us?	
What was Moses leading the Israelites out of?	
What did Jesus come to lead us out of?	
What was Moses leading his people to?	
What does Jesus lead us to?	

4. Why do you think the story of Jesus creates these parallels?

5. We are all Pharoah/Herod without Christ. What can we learn from God's plan here?