

Event 4: Jesus' Journey

Event 4 talks about the journey that Jesus took when he was just a baby. The Gospel of Matthew writes, "Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod." Matthew states that that was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When we look at the political situation at that time, Herod, or Herod the Great ruled over much of the land between, from Galilee to the north to dead sea to the south, and from the Mediterranean sea to the west to all the way east of the Jordan river. Thus, the only safe place for Joseph and his family to escape to is down further south to Egypt, away from Herod's territory.