

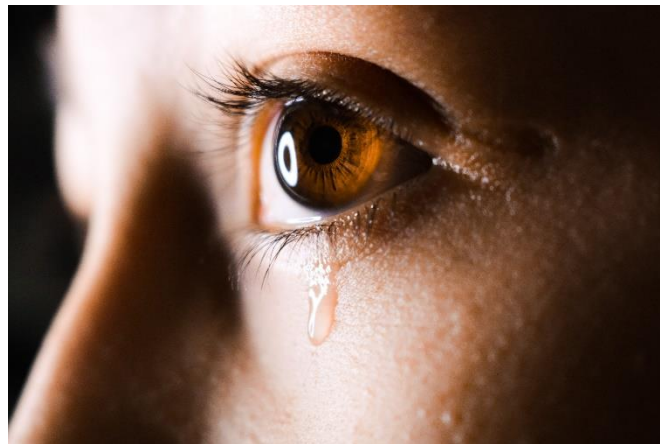
“This Side of Christmas”

Sermon • *Matthew 2:13-23*

Sermon Series: Christmas

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1. The **Prince** of **Peace** enters a **world** of **violence**.

Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under...
(Matthew 2:16)

2. The will of God is not something that we **grasp**. It is something that **grasps** us.

And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son”
(Matthew 2:14-15)

3. The **hope** of all **nations**.

“to fulfill what the Lord had spoken ...”

(Matthew 2:15, see also 2:17, 23)