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SERMON OUTLINE -- JANUARY 2, 2022

I LOVE IT WHEN A PLAN COMES TOGETHER!

(Matthew 2:13-23)

INTRODUCTION: *An old TV show . . .*

I. WE LOVE IT WHEN A PLAN COMES TOGETHER

- A. God's plan for mankind's salvation did work out **according to plan**
- B. Matthew's Gospel tells us this plan was spoken of in Old Testament prophecy (Matthew 2:13-15)
- C. Jesus and his parent's flight into Egypt was paralleled by the Old Testament account of Moses leading Israel out of Egypt (Exodus)
- D. All of these events were **according to God's plan**

II. NO ONE CAN ALTER GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

- A. However, many fight against **God's plan** . . . both in Biblical times & today
- B. We must not just look at how our unbelieving world rejects or resists **God's plan** but how we do as well . . .
- C. Herod's evil plan to kill the baby Jesus did not alter **God's plan** (Matthew 2:16-20)
- D. God will accomplish **His plan** for you in spite of anything this evil world does (Galatians 4:4)

CONCLUSION: Christmas & Easter are God's declaration:

"I love it when a plan comes together!"