

# THAT'S WHAT CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT, CHARLIE BROWN.

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## When Tragedy Hits

1. Following God Can Lead to Some \_\_\_\_\_ Places!

**Matthew 2:13-18** <sup>13</sup> When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." <sup>14</sup> So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, <sup>15</sup> where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son." <sup>16</sup> When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. <sup>17</sup> Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: <sup>18</sup> "A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."

2. \_\_\_\_\_ What You \_\_\_\_\_ From  
God Clarifies What You \_\_\_\_\_ Know!

**Matthew 2:19-23** <sup>19</sup> After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt <sup>20</sup> and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead." <sup>21</sup> So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, <sup>23</sup> and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets: "He will be called a Nazarene."

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Rarely Come, But \_\_\_\_\_ Does!

**Matthew 2:18**

**Jeremiah 31:10-17**

## The One Thing

God Doesn't Prevent \_\_\_\_\_ Times.

But He Does \_\_\_\_\_ Up in Them!

## 3 Truths For a Christmas Tragedy:

1. God Cares About My \_\_\_\_\_.

2. God Knows Something About \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Isaiah 9:2,6** <sup>2</sup> The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned. <sup>6</sup> For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Romans 8:32** He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

3. My Next Step Involves \_\_\_\_\_ on Jesus.