Out of Egypt have I Called my Son

Mt 2:13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. 14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: 15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, **Out of Egypt have I called my son**.

**Hosea 11:1**—*When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.*

*Ex 4:22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn:*

*This is God reminding Israel through His Prophet of their deliverance out of Egypt*

Hosea 2:15*—And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt.*

*“****sing there****”*

*Ps 106:12 Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.*

*Num.15:1-21*

*Isa 52:13 ¶ Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.*

Acts 12:11*—And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.*

When Christ came the man sitting on the throne of Judah was not of the seed of David, but a pagan, outside the Covenant of Israel. The grave sin of Israel was that of making alliances with pagan powers. How fitting a symbol is Herod of the infidelity of a national leadership. He is not the true Shepherd. He was not a Jew. His father was an Idumean and his mother an Arabian, but the Romans made him King of Judea in 40 B.C. He was a corrupt tyrant and paranoid murderer. He drove the chosen King out of Judah down into Egypt. Spiritual adultery has a way of doing just that. Egypt in the Bible is a symbol of the place of oppression, bondage and sin. The chosen King does not stay in Egypt. He pays the price of redemption and comes out of Egypt. Jesus comes out of Egypt and leads forth a greater Exodus. The Child comes out of Egypt leading a great and glorious exodus of God’s chosen people.