ONLY GOD KNOWS

MATTHEW 2:13-23

Life Question

How should I respond when I do not understand what God is doing?

Only God Knows ...

His Perfect Plan

- God's Word kept from the past vv.5-6,15,17-18,23
- God's plan intact for the future vv.13,20

God does what it takes to accomplish His plan. Is. 55:11, Jer. 29:10-13

Only God Knows ...

Our Personal Needs

- God knew what Joseph, Mary, and Jesus would need. vv.10-11
- God knew when they needed it. vv.13,19,22

God will supply every need.
Philippians 4:18-20

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Our Present Limits

- God knew their ability to handle what was coming. vv.13-15,19-21

God's strength will enable you to endure every hardship. Isaiah 40:29, 41:10 One of the primary purposes of struggle, difficulty, heartache, and even tragedy is to draw us closer to God and be conformed to the image of His Son.

Romans 8:28-29

Applications

1. God's orchestration of events cannot be humanly understood, therefore I must trust Him.

2. Focus on the big picture and allow God to handle the details.

3. Have confidence in God's Word.