

# THE PLAGUES OF EGYPT

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## The First Plague

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(Exodus 7:14-24)

All of the water in Egypt - right from water already in buckets and jars, to ponds, canals, streams, even the Nile River - turned to blood. Then all of the fish of the river died, causing a terrible stench.

### Refuses to let go...Exodus 7:14-24

- Why Pharaoh was not letting Israelites go? (Free slaves....gives comfort and work for them)
- What are some bad habits we don't want to let go? (Laziness, Anger as they give us comfort)

As New Year has started...let go of these things.

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## The Second Plague

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(Exodus 8:1-15)

Frogs miraculously multiplied in number, so many that the land was infested with the normally aquatic creatures. Even people's houses had them inside.

### Worship the Lord .....Exodus 8:1

- God's heart is that His chosen people must worship Him.
- What are some ways we worship God and show our devotion towards Him.

(Prayer, Meeting, Bible study, Giving our tithe )

As Leaders and Zealots we have decided to give our tithe to God...let's ensure that we worship God this year..

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## The Third Plague

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(Exodus 8:16-19)

Vast swarms of gnats tormented people and animals.

### Listen to God.....Exodus 8:19

- Pharaoh was not willing to listen to God's even though his own magicians could not stand before God's mighty hand...amazing that how we trust in the world so much to the point where we don't even listen to God's calling.

Make sure you listen to God's word and read daily. FINISH YOUR BIBLE THIS YEAR.

Each plague may also be viewed as an attack on one of the Egyptian Gods.

Plague	Warning	Replication	Respite	Response	God Attacked
Water into Blood	Pharoah was warned and allowed to watch	Yes	The Egyptians managed to work around the problem	Pharoahs heart was hardened	Hapi (the God of the Nile)
Frogs	Pharoah warned but was not with Moses when it happened	Yes	Pharoah named the time the frogs would go	Compromise but then Pharoah hardened his heart	Heqt (interestingly many frogs was usually viewed as a good thing)
Lice	No Warning	No. The magicians saw the lice as an act of God	We're not told but presumably	Pharoahs heart was hardened. He doesn't even speak to Moses.	Kheper (God of beetles and flies)

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## The Fourth Plague

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(Exodus 8:20-32)

Vast swarms of flies through the land, spreading disease.

### Sacrifice to your God here - Exodus 8:25

- Pharaoh wanted people to sacrifice to God in his Land. What are some ways world wants us to compromise with God's command (it's ok not to be sold out)

We should never compromise with Bible standard to following God.

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## The Fifth Plague

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(Exodus 9:1-7)

Disease on the livestock - horses, donkeys, camels, cattle, sheep and goats - but those of the Israelites were unharmed.

### Distinction between Lord's blessing and Satan's - Exodus 9:4

- God made it very clear..you might acquire all want but it's Lord's blessing that will remain forever.

Are we trying to win the world through Satan's efforts and by compromising with Lord's commands?

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## The Sixth Plague

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(Exodus 9:8-12)

Festering boils on people and animals through the land.

### LORD HARDENED PHARAOH'S HEART - Exodus 9:12

It's very sad...God was so kind and yet Pharaoh was full of pride to the point where God has to hardened his heart..let's make sure that remain humble before his words and in our deeds so that we don't misuse His Grace but enjoy this grace.

Plague	Warning	Replication	Respite	Response	God Attacked
Flies	Pharoah warned but not with Moses when it happened	No. In fact they didn't even try	The flies were removed when Pharoah promised to let the Israelites go	Pharoah hardened his heart	Kheper
Murrain	Pharoah warned and told when it would happen	Again they didn't try	It was a one off action.. but the cattle stayed dead.	The heart of Pharoah was hardened.	Apis (Sacred Bull)
Boils	Pharoah not warned but was there when Moses did it	Magicians could not even heal themselves	We're not told but one would imagine scarring would result	The Lord hardened Pharoah's heart.	Imhotep (physician God) & Thoth (Magic and healing)

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## The Seventh Plague

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(Exodus 9:13-35)

Powerful hail storms that destroyed the standing crops. The hail stones were so big that any people or animals caught outside in the storm were killed.

### **Don't Ignore God's word – Exodus 9:21**

They ignored and took God's word lightly – what are some way we take God's word lightly –(By not confessing)

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## The Eighth Plague

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(Exodus 10:1-20)

Locusts in such great numbers that the ground was covered with them. They devoured everything that survived the hail storm.

### **Go together as a family – Exodus 10:8-11**

- Pharaoh said – Only Men should go to worship God..but that's not God's plan. So many time we sent family representative for God's meeting...at lest my wife or I came

God wants everyone from your family to come together and worship God. Are you doing it?

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## The Ninth Plague

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(Exodus 10:21-29)

Darkness over the entire land for three days - but the Israelites had light in Goshen.

### **Go with your family but not with your purse.- Exodus 10:24**

- It's amazing that how Satan play with our emotion when it comes to worship God.

I am sold out so I'm here in the church but God looks at whole..are we giving in the church..Do we give our tithe or left over to God. How much do you give to God in your tithe? Do you give regularly or someone has to remind you. Let's repent and understand Satan's plan and give whole heartily to God.

Plague	Warning	Replication	Respite	Response	God Attacked
Hail	Pharoah and servants warned. Those that heeded the warning escaped.	Didn't try.	No respite, crops destroyed although some crops left.	Pharoah admits sin but then sins more by hardening his heart	Nut (Sky Goddess)
Locusts	Pharoah warned and his servants almost cause him to give in	Didn't try	Complete devastation, this years harvest gone.	Pharoah acts in haste and compromises. The Lord hardens Pharoahs heart.	Seth (God of Crops)
Dark	No Warning	Didn't try	Yes, three days only	Pharoah heart hardened by God. Tells Moses to 'get out of sight'	Ra (Sun God)

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## The Tenth Plague

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(Exodus 11:1-10, 12:1-42)

Death of the firstborn. The Passover. Pharaoh let the Israelites go. The Wilderness Journey began.

### Let's fear God.

God will bend every prideful soul as Bible says every knee will bend..let not be like Pharaoh but surrender our lives to Him as He is faithful.

### Remember the Lord – Exodus 12:1-4

- We take Passover ever Sunday – It's one of the commandment given by Jesus to take communion.

Let's be more serious and be on time as it's very important time in the worship.

Plague	Warning	Replication	Respite	Response	God Attacked
First Born	Yes	No	No – firstborn dead	Israelites let go	Pharoah