

What's Plaguing You?

Exodus 7-10

Plagues	Ref.	Possible Egyptian Gods & Goddesses Attacked By Plagues
Nile turned to Blood	7:14-25	Hapi – bull god, god of Nile; Isis – goddess of Nile; Khmum – ram god, guardian of Nile; others
Frogs	8:1-15	Heget – frog head goddess of birth
Gnats	8:16-19	Set – god of desert
Flies	8:20-32	Re – sun god; Uatchit – fly god
Death of Livestock	9:1-7	Hathor – goddess with cow head; Apis – bull god of fertility
Boils	9:8-12	Sekmet – goddess with power over disease; Sunu – pestilence god; Isis – goddess of healing
Hail	9:13-35	Nut – sky goddess; Osiris – god of crops & fertility; Set – god of storms
Locusts	10:1-20	Nut – sky goddess; Osiris – god of crops & fertility
Darkness	10:21-29	Re – the sun god; Horus – a sun god; Nut – a sky goddess; Hathor – a sky goddess
Death of Firstborn	Ch 11-12	Min – god of reproduction; Heget – goddess who attended women at childbirth; Isis – goddess who protected children; Pharaoh's firstborn son – a god

(John D. Hannah, "Exodus", *The Bible Knowledge Commentary – Old Testament*, p. 120)

I. God Is In Full Control – We Can Obey Or Fight (7:1-13)

II. God Is Just And Merciful – We Can Repent Or Resist (7:14 – 10:29)

1. The River Turns To **Blood**
2. Land Filled With **Frogs** (8:1-15)
3. Creatures Covered In **Gnats** (3:16-19)
4. Houses Swarmed With **Flies** (3:20-32)
5. **Livestock** Struck With Death (9:1-7)
6. Skin Afflicted With **Boils** (9:8-12)
7. The Sky Rained **Hail** And Fire (9:13-35)
8. The Crops Destroyed By **Locusts** (10:1-20)
9. The Sky Blanketed With **Darkness** (10:21-29)

Conclusion:

- Because God is **foreknowing** and **sovereign**, stop challenging His authority.
- Because God is **merciful**, heed His warnings to us to place our faith in Christ.
- Because God is **patient**, know there is an end point to His patience.

Discussion:

- How does your impression of the plague change knowing that God aimed the plagues primarily at the Egyptian gods, not the people?
- Why does someone grow harder against God when God is making His power so evident?
- How does Pharaoh's fake repentance compare to false conversions in the Church today?