

Moses - Week 13

The Plagues, Part 2 Ex 8:25-31

Exodus 8:25 Then Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, "Go, sacrifice to your God here in the land." 26 But Moses said, "That would not be right. The sacrifices we offer the LORD our God would be detestable to the Egyptians. And if we offer sacrifices that are detestable in their eyes, will they not stone us? 27 We must take a three-day journey into the desert to offer sacrifices to the LORD our God, as he commands us." 28 Pharaoh said, "I will let you go to offer sacrifices to the LORD your God in the desert, but you must not go very far. Now pray for me." 29 Moses answered, "As soon as I leave you, I will pray to the LORD, and tomorrow the flies will leave Pharaoh and his officials and his people. Only be sure that Pharaoh does not act deceitfully again by not letting the people go to offer sacrifices to the LORD." 30 Then Moses left Pharaoh and prayed to the LORD, 31 and the LORD did what Moses asked: The flies left Pharaoh.

- Sadly many Christians do the same thing. We want God, but we still want to maintain control over the _____ of our lives.
- _____ can be a real detriment to the will of God.
- Henry Blackaby says that we, as believers, when called to walk by faith and trust God, may have to go through the crisis of _____.
- Remember, the Word of God can be _____.
- The stretching of our faith is _____ at times.

Review from last week:

1. Hapi- the god of _____, the _____
2. Heket- the god with the head of a _____
3. Geb- the god of the _____; God sent lice. Man was created by dust and now dust plagued the man. This plague was to show the _____ of man.
4. Khepri- the Egyptian god of _____. He had the head of a _____.
5. Hathor- the goddess of love and _____; She has the head of a _____

The first 5 plagues simply made life for the Egyptians _____. It caused Pharaoh to become _____, or bitter.

6. Isis- the god of _____ and peace
 - _____ caused the pain, and it does even today in the lives of people who refuse the words of God.
 - The boils had a significant meaning for the Egyptians. _____ was paramount to the Egyptian people.

7. Nut: the goddess of the _____
Even in judgment God is still _____.
8. Seth- the Egyptian god of _____ and disorder
- For the Lord sent from the sky disorder in the form of _____.
 - The generation to come would know the strong _____ of the Hebrew's God did all these things.
 - The miracles of God working in the life of the Egyptians affected the _____ of their lives.
9. Ra- the _____ god
God used this plague to show that He had _____ over all the earth, including the sun as a witness, that the God of Israel had power over life and death.

Darkness, both that day and today, represents three things:

- _____--the absence of life. The grave is a place of darkness, but for the believer it's just a place where our old "earth-suit" lives.
 - _____--everything happening to the innocent is a result of Pharaoh's sin and pride.
 - _____ Can you imagine how the Egyptians had to feel? Their gods are being dismantled one by one, and their lives are in turmoil, with no hope.
10. _____-- the ultimate power in Egypt. The plague is the death of the first born.

Final thoughts:

- In time, hardened hearts simply _____ to accept God's plan, God's mercy, and God's grace.
- Turning a blind eye to the _____ of God will result in correction and maybe some pain.