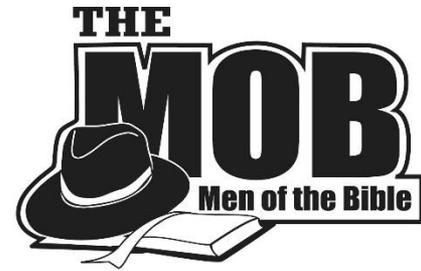


# WELCOME TO THE MOB!

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

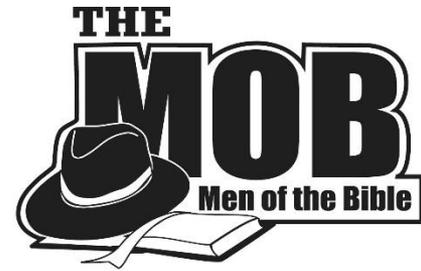
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# Announcements



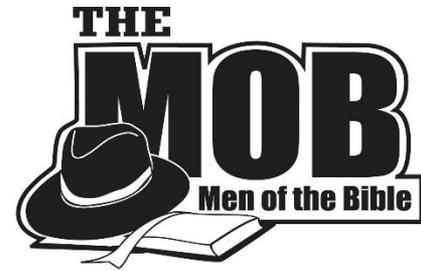
- Welcome to the MOB!
- Website: [www.ibcmob.net](http://www.ibcmob.net)
- MOB will meet via Zoom until Christmas, at which time IBC leaders will reassess the COVID-19 situation and determine when we will resume meetings at IBC.
- Please pray for our national elections and how people respond to the results. [Romans 13:1-7](#)

## Romans 13:1-7



<sup>1</sup> Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup> Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. <sup>3</sup> For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, <sup>4</sup> for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup> Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. <sup>6</sup> For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. <sup>7</sup> Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

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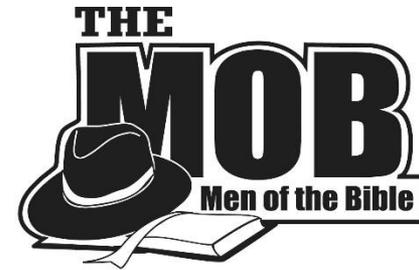


## Exodus 7:5 (ESV)

“The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD,  
when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and  
bring out the people of Israel from among them.”

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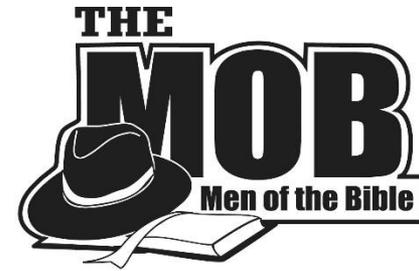
# Exodus Schedule



**Date Meeting No. The Gospel According to Matthew – Readings & Topics**

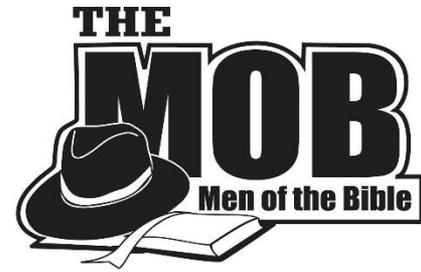
Nov 3	8	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 7:1 – 8:19</u></a> Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh, Plague 1: Water Turned to Blood, Plague 2: Frogs, Plague 3: Gnats <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 70-84</i>
Nov 10	9	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 8:20 – 9:12</u></a> Plague 4: Flies, Plague 5: Egyptian Livestock Die, Plague 6: Boils <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 84-90</i>
Nov 17	10	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 9:13 – 11:10</u></a> Plague 7: Hail, Plague 8: Locusts, Plague 9: Darkness A Final Plague Threatened <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 90-103</i>
Nov 24	11	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 12:1-42</u></a> The Passover, Plague 10: Death of the Firstborn, The Exodus <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 103-120</i>
Dec 1	12	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 12:43 – 13:16</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>Matthew 26:17-30</u></a> ; <a href="#"><u>Mark 14:12-26</u></a> ; <a href="#"><u>Luke 22:7-30</u></a> ; <a href="#"><u>1 Corinthians 5:7, 11:23-33</u></a> ; Institution of the Passover, Consecration of the Firstborn, Feast of Unleavened Bread, <a href="#"><u>Jews for Jesus "Christ in the Passover"</u></a> Presentation with Q&A <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 120-124</i>
Dec 8	13	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 13:17 – 14:31</u></a> Pillars of Cloud and Fire, Crossing the Red Sea <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 125-136</i>
Dec 15	14	<a href="#"><u>Exodus 15:1-21</u></a> The Song of Moses <i>Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Edition, pages 136-142</i>
Dec 22 & 29		Christmas & New Year's Break – No MOB

# Exodus Overview



<b>Focus</b>	<b>Redemption from Egypt</b>				<b>Revelation from God</b>	
<b>Reference</b>	1:1 – 1:22	2:1 – 4:31	5:1 – 15:21	15:22 – 18:27	19:1 – 31:18	32:1 – 40:38
<b>Division</b>	Need for Redemption	Preparation for Redemption	Redemption of Israel	Preservation of Israel	Revelation of the Covenant	Response of Israel to the Covenant
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Narration</b>				<b>Legislation</b>	
	<b>Subjugation</b>		<b>Redemption</b>		<b>Instruction</b>	
<b>Location</b>	<b>Egypt</b>			<b>Wilderness</b>	<b>Mount Sinai</b>	
<b>Time</b>	<b>430 Years</b> ( c. 1875 – 1445 B.C. )			<b>2 Months</b> (c. 1445 B.C.)	<b>10 Months</b> ( c. 1445 B.C. )	

# Our Study of Exodus



## Last Meeting:

- [Exodus 6:1 – 7:7](#) God Promises Deliverance, Genealogy of Moses and Aaron
- Memory Verse: [Exodus 6:2-5](#)
- [Dr. Constable's Notes on Exodus, 2020 Ed., pp. 65-71](#)

## This Meeting:

- [Exodus 7:1 – 8:19](#) Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh, Plague 1: Water Turned to Blood, Plague 2: Frogs, Plague 3: Gnats
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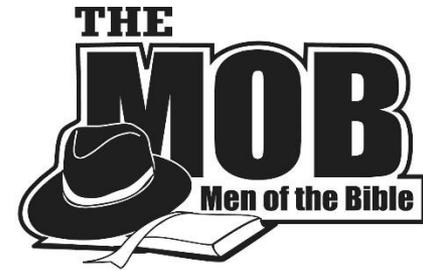
# Exodus 7:8 – 8:19

Tonight we get our first glimpse of God pronouncing judgment on Egypt through plagues.



“So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all the wonders that I will do in it; after that he will let you go.” Exodus 3:20

# Plagues' Purposes\*

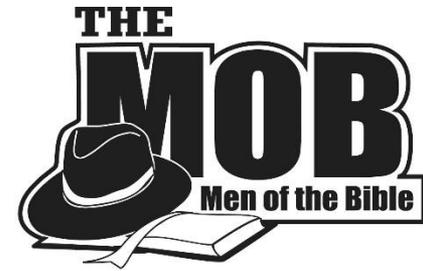


## God's extraordinary acts were:

- (1) An indictment and judgment of the gods of Egypt.
- (2) A demonstration of God's existence and power.
- (3) A judgment on Pharaoh and the Egyptians for their cruelty and harshness.
- (4) God's means of forcing Pharaoh to release Israel from Egypt.
- (5) A prototype, a sample of God's future judgment.

*\*From Bob Deffinbaugh*

# Plague Features



With the exception of the Passover, the plagues demonstrate a few characteristics or themes:

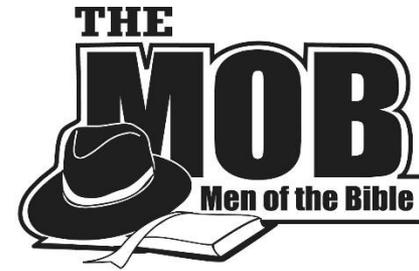
- Three sets of who, when, where, & how initiated.
- Natural events, supernaturally intensified by God.
- Some, Moses timed their arrival and departure.
- Some afflicted only the Egyptians and not Israel.
- The severity increased steadily, from first to last.
- Ultimately, they all fulfilled God's **judgment!**

“And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.” Revelation 16:21

# PLAGUE WORKSHEET

	PLAGUE	WARNING?	COPIED?	TRIBULATION CONNECTION	EGYPTIAN DIETIES MOCKED
<b>1</b>	Blood	✓	✓	2nd Trumpet judgment & 2 Witnesses bring blood	Nile river god; Khnum, guardian of Nile; Hapi, spirit of the Nile; Osiris; Sepek, crocodile god; Neith; Hathor
<b>2</b>	Frogs	✓	✓	Rev 16:13 records release of frog-like demons	Hapi, Nile fertility god associated with the arrival of frogs; Heqt, Fertility god with head of a frog and body of a woman
<b>3</b>	Swarms	✗	✗	Rev 11:6 - "all the plagues" released by the witnessess	Uatchit, protector of swarming insects; Seb, protector from lice
<b>4</b>	Dogflies	✓	✗	Rev 11:6 - "all the plagues" released by the 2 Witnessess	Baalzebub, god of the flies (representative of Satan)
<b>5</b>	Pestilence	✓	✗	4th Seal judgment & the 2 Witnesses	Apis Bull, sacred bull kept in the open; Mnevis, sacred bull of Ra; Hathor, cow goddess; Knom, ram-like god
<b>6</b>	Boils	✗	✗	1st Bowl judgment	Sekhmet, god over epidemics; Serapis, god of healing; Imhotep, god of medicines
<b>7</b>	Hail	✓	✗	1st Trumpet judgment & 7th Bowl	Shu, sky god & son of Ra; Nut, sky goddess; Seth, agricultural god; Isis, agricultural goddess
<b>8</b>	Locusts	✓	✗	5th Trumpet judgment	Seth, agricultural god in the image of a locust; Isis, agricultural goddess
<b>9</b>	Darkness	✗	✗	5th Bowl judgment	Multiple list of sun, moon and star gods including Ra, the sun god; Thoth the moon god ; Nut, the sky goddess 10-3

# The Hardening of Pharaoh's Heart

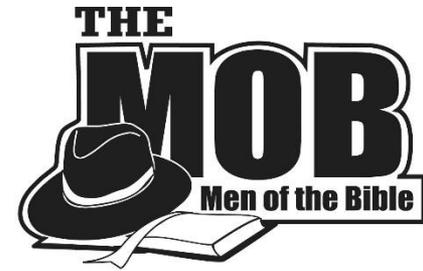


## Possibly = Weighted-Down In Sins From Rejecting God

Declaration	The Resultant Hardening Through...		
I [Yahweh] will harden Pharaoh's heart.	Yahweh hardened the heart of Pharaoh	Pharaoh's heart was hardened.	Pharaoh hardened his heart.
Ex. 4:21	Ex. 9:12	Ex. 7:13	Ex. 8:15
Ex. 7:3	Ex. 10:1	Ex. 7:14	Ex. 8:32
Ex. 14:4	Ex. 10:20	Ex. 7:22	Ex. 9:34
	Ex. 10:27	Ex. 8:19	
	Ex. 11:10	Ex. 9:7	
	Ex. 14:8	Ex 9:35	
<i>*Ex. 14:17*</i>		Ex. 14:5	

**“For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.” Psalm 38:4**

# Exodus 7:8 – 8:19

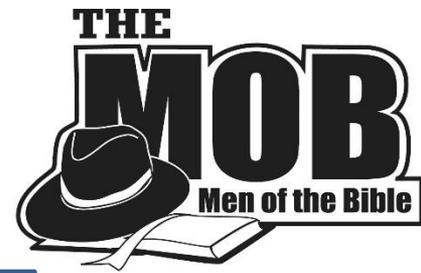


*“But Pharaoh said, ‘Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, and moreover, I will not let Israel go.’” Ex. 5:2*

- **Penn & Teller Fool Pharaoh (7:8-13)**
- **Plague 1: Nothing But The Blood (7:14-19)**
- **Pharaoh Is Not Impressed (7:20-25)**
- **Plague 2: A Time For Frogs (8:1-7)**
- **Liar, Liar, Robe On Fire (8:8-15)**
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**Over the next few weeks, we’ll see how God made sure Pharaoh fully understood who He is!**

# Exodus 7:8-13

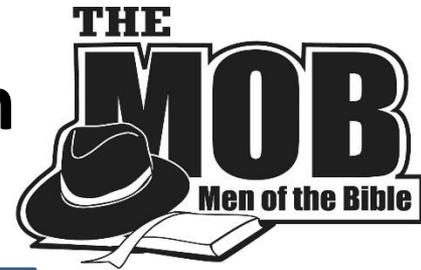


## Penn & Teller Fool Pharaoh

<sup>8</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, <sup>9</sup> “When Pharaoh says to you, ‘Prove yourselves by working a miracle,’ then you shall say to Aaron, ‘Take your staff and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it may become a serpent.’” <sup>10</sup> So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the Lord commanded. Aaron cast down his staff before Pharaoh and his servants, and it became a serpent. <sup>11</sup> Then Pharaoh summoned the wise men and the sorcerers, and they, the magicians of Egypt, also did the same by their secret arts. <sup>12</sup> For each man cast down his staff, and they became serpents. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. <sup>13</sup> Still Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 7:8-13



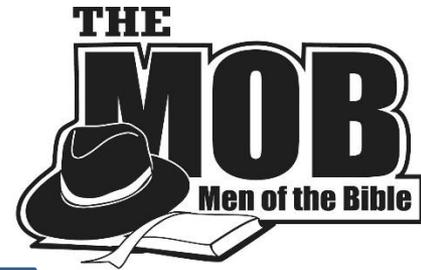
### Penn & Teller Fool Pharaoh

Imitating God's power will only get a swindler so far. But, the truth will ultimately expose an imposter's limitations.

- Pharaoh demands a “*miracle*” to see Moses' authority.
- In Ex. 4, God showed Moses signs: 1) believe, 2) listen.
- “*Magicians*,” linked to Jannes and Jambres ([2 Tim. 3:8](#)).
- Difference (?): Ex. 4:4, *serpent* vs. Ex. 7:10, *sea creature*.
- Aaron's staff *swallowed* their staffs (Ex. 15:12, Red Sea).

“The Chaldeans answered the king and said, ‘There is not a man on earth who can meet the king's demand, for no great and powerful king has asked such a thing of any magician or enchanter or Chaldean.’” Daniel 2:10

# Exodus 7:14-19

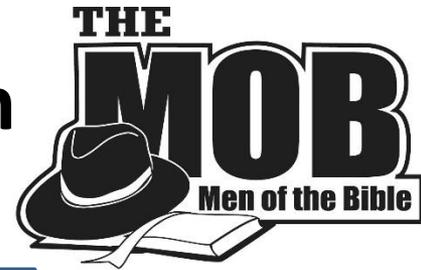


## Plague 1: Nothing But The Blood

**14** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is hardened; he refuses to let the people go. **15** Go to Pharaoh in the morning, as he is going out to the water. Stand on the bank of the Nile to meet him, and take in your hand the staff that turned into a serpent. **16** And you shall say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, sent me to you, saying, "Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness.'" But so far, you have not obeyed. **17** Thus says the Lord, "By this you shall know that I am the Lord: behold, with the staff that is in my hand I will strike the water that is in the Nile, and it shall turn into blood. **18** The fish in the Nile shall die, and the Nile will stink, and the Egyptians will grow weary of drinking water from the Nile.'" **19** And the Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, their canals, and their ponds, and all their pools of water, so that they may become blood, and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, even in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone.'"

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 7:14-19



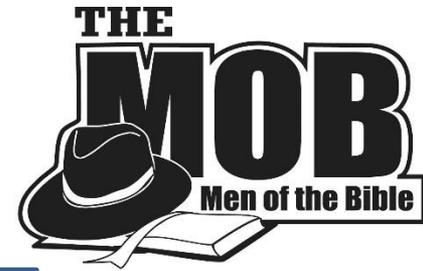
### Plague 1: Nothing But The Blood

The plague on the Nile (viewed as a god) maybe designed to attack Egypt's wealth and dependence on the river.

- Egyptian god: **Hapi, Isis**. For: **Sacred river provider**.
- Moses interrupts Pharaoh's *morning* worship (as #4, #7).
- "**blood**" literally; not red clay (cf. Gen. 4:10, Ex. 12:13).
- "Nile, waters, rivers, canals, ponds, pools, wood, vessels"
- **All water resources were impacted without exception.**

"The third angel poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they became blood." Revelation 16:4

# Exodus 7:20-25

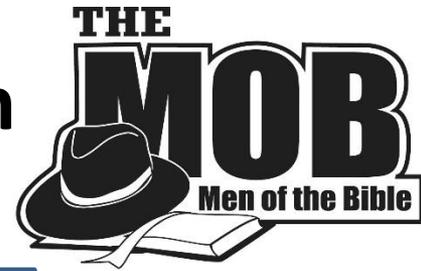


## Pharaoh Is Not Impressed

**20** Moses and Aaron did as the Lord commanded. In the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants he lifted up the staff and struck the water in the Nile, and all the water in the Nile turned into blood. **21** And the fish in the Nile died, and the Nile stank, so that the Egyptians could not drink water from the Nile. There was blood throughout all the land of Egypt. **22** But the magicians of Egypt did the same by their secret arts. So Pharaoh's heart remained hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said. **23** Pharaoh turned and went into his house, and he did not take even this to heart. **24** And all the Egyptians dug along the Nile for water to drink, for they could not drink the water of the Nile. **25** Seven full days passed after the Lord had struck the Nile.

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 7:20-25



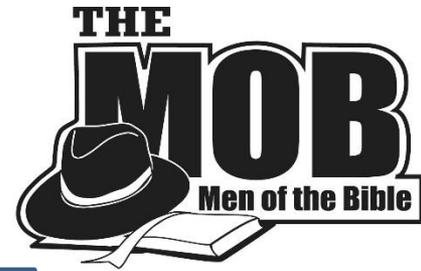
### Pharaoh Is Not Impressed

Pharaoh sustains his indifference towards God's power. His idolatrous, god-like life blinded him to the Almighty.

- This plague killed the fish and caused the area to stink.
- Magicians' secret arts: 1) skill, 2) demonic, 3) God.
  - If they had real power, they'd reverse plague's impact.
- In desperation, Egyptians searched for any fresh water.
- The LORD inflicted them for a full "seven days" period.

"So they said to him, 'Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?'" John 6:30

# Exodus 8:1-7

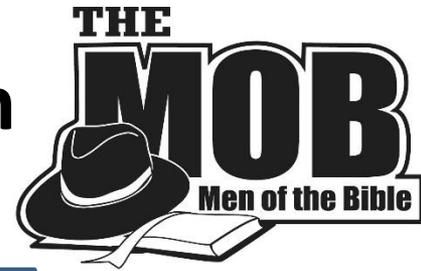


## Plague 2: A Time For Frogs

<sup>1</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord, "Let my people go, that they may serve me. <sup>2</sup> But if you refuse to let them go, behold, I will plague all your country with frogs. <sup>3</sup> The Nile shall swarm with frogs that shall come up into your house and into your bedroom and on your bed and into the houses of your servants and your people, and into your ovens and your kneading bowls. <sup>4</sup> The frogs shall come up on you and on your people and on all your servants.'"'" <sup>5</sup> And the Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Stretch out your hand with your staff over the rivers, over the canals and over the pools, and make frogs come up on the land of Egypt!'"'" <sup>6</sup> So Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up and covered the land of Egypt. <sup>7</sup> But the magicians did the same by their secret arts and made frogs come up on the land of Egypt.

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 8:1-7



### Plague 2: A Time For Frogs

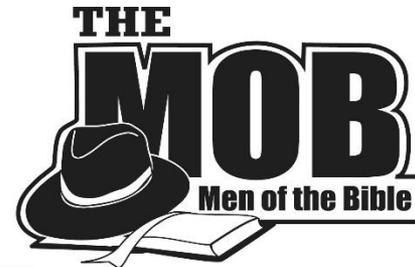
Possibly, this plague strikes at their fertility goddess due to Egypt's plan to remove infant boys from Jewish society.

- Egyptian god: **Heqet, Osiris**. For: **Fertility, reproduction**.
- They believed "**frogs**" enabled life, so they spared them.
- "**plague**" = smite, strike, defeated (cf. [Psalm 91:12](#)).
- "**swarm**" greatly multiply, as to cover (Gen. 9:7; Ex. 1:7).
  - **God overwhelmed them for trusting in a fertility god.**
- How Magicians did the same thing is a mystery (**Satan?**).

"And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs." Revelation 16:13



# Exodus 8:8-15

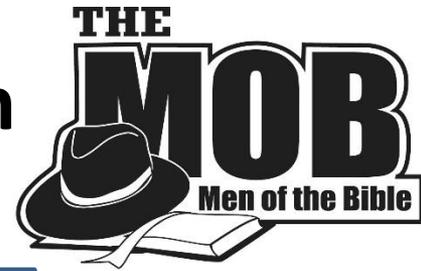


## Liar, Liar, Robe On Fire

**8** Then Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron and said, "Plead with the Lord to take away the frogs from me and from my people, and I will let the people go to sacrifice to the Lord." **9** Moses said to Pharaoh, "Be pleased to command me when I am to plead for you and for your servants and for your people, that the frogs be cut off from you and your houses and be left only in the Nile." **10** And he said, "Tomorrow." Moses said, "Be it as you say, so that you may know that there is no one like the Lord our God. **11** The frogs shall go away from you and your houses and your servants and your people. They shall be left only in the Nile." **12** So Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh, and Moses cried to the Lord about the frogs, as he had agreed with Pharaoh. **13** And the Lord did according to the word of Moses. The frogs died out in the houses, the courtyards, and the fields. **14** And they gathered them together in heaps, and the land stank. **15** But when Pharaoh saw that there was a respite, he hardened his heart and would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 8:8-15



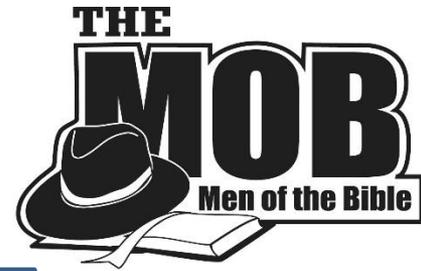
### Liar, Liar, Robe On Fire

The unrighteous have the nerve to call upon God to share in His blessings yet continue to ignore His call to repent.

- This encounter is at Pharaoh's palace (as #5, #8).
- Pharaoh asks Moses to appeal to "***the Lord***" for Egypt.
  - Other cases Moses interceded (Ex. 8:30, 9:33, 10:18).
- Moses offered time for relief; Pharaoh said "***tomorrow.***"
- The 1st mention of Pharaoh hardening his own heart.

"If favor is shown to the wicked, he does not learn righteousness; in the land of uprightness he deals corruptly and does not see the majesty of the Lord." Isaiah 26:10

# Exodus 8:16-19

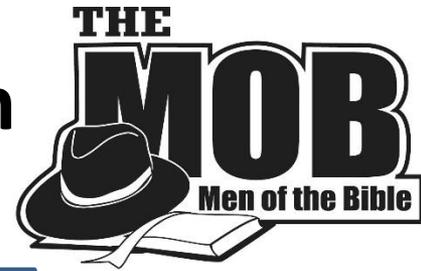


## Plague 3: Gnats 'Raid' Egypt

**16** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Stretch out your staff and strike the dust of the earth, so that it may become gnats in all the land of Egypt.'" **17** And they did so. Aaron stretched out his hand with his staff and struck the dust of the earth, and there were gnats on man and beast. All the dust of the earth became gnats in all the land of Egypt. **18** The magicians tried by their secret arts to produce gnats, but they could not. So there were gnats on man and beast. **19** Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is the finger of God." But Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

# Observation & Interpretation

## Exodus 8:16-19



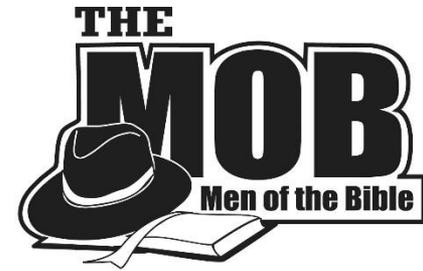
### Plague 3: Gnats 'Raid' Egypt

Perhaps, creating gnats from dust amplify God's work in:  
1) growing Abraham's offspring, or 2) creating mankind.

- Egyptian god: **Seb, Set**. For: **Abundance from the earth**.
- Without warning (as #6, #9), "**gnats**" overrun all Egypt.
- Hyperbole is used, but "**on man and beast**" is literal.
- **Satan counterfeits God's works, but he can't create life.**
- "finger of God" = Elohim, not Yahweh (Ex. 31:18; Ps. 8:3).

**"...But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you." Luke 11:20**

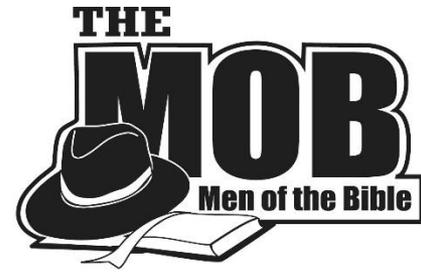
# Conclusion



The story of the plagues demand we see God's power!

- What Satan has to offer, as an Angel of Light, attracts and deceives many.
  - *Pharaoh was not swayed at all by God's initial power.*
- Idolatry and/or witchcraft hardens your heart to the point where you will believe you don't need God.
  - *The magicians could conduct incredible feats (possibly with Satan's help) but were limited in their actions.*
- Sin has its heyday for a time, but God's judgment will be executed in accordance with His Word.
  - *The plagues are a precursor of the future punishment for all Non-Believers.*

# Next Meeting



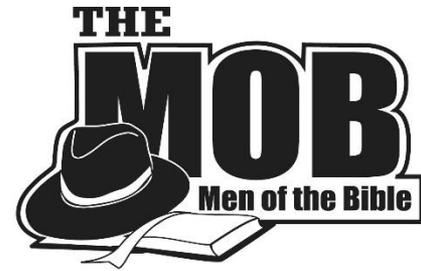
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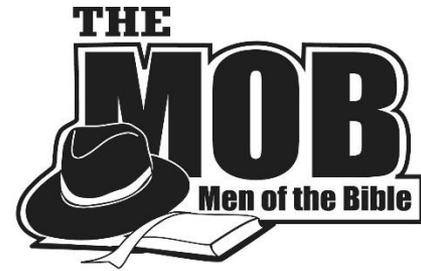
- [Exodus 8:20 – 9:12](#) Plague 4: Flies, Plague 5: Egyptian Livestock, Plague 6: Boils
- Memory Verse: [Exodus 8:1](#)
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# Questions 1 of 2



1. How would you sum up, in a few words, or give a “title” to our lesson for Tuesday night on Exodus 7:8 - 8:19?
2. How would you describe the response of Moses and Aaron to what God told them to do?
3. How would you describe the outcome and the implications of the “staff throwing” contest between Aaron and the magicians of Egypt?
4. How would you explain the ability of the magicians of Egypt to match the actions of Aaron in turning his staff into a serpent and, later, in turning the water of the Nile River into blood?

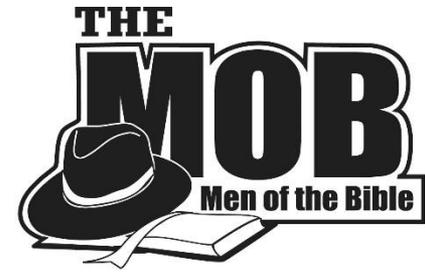
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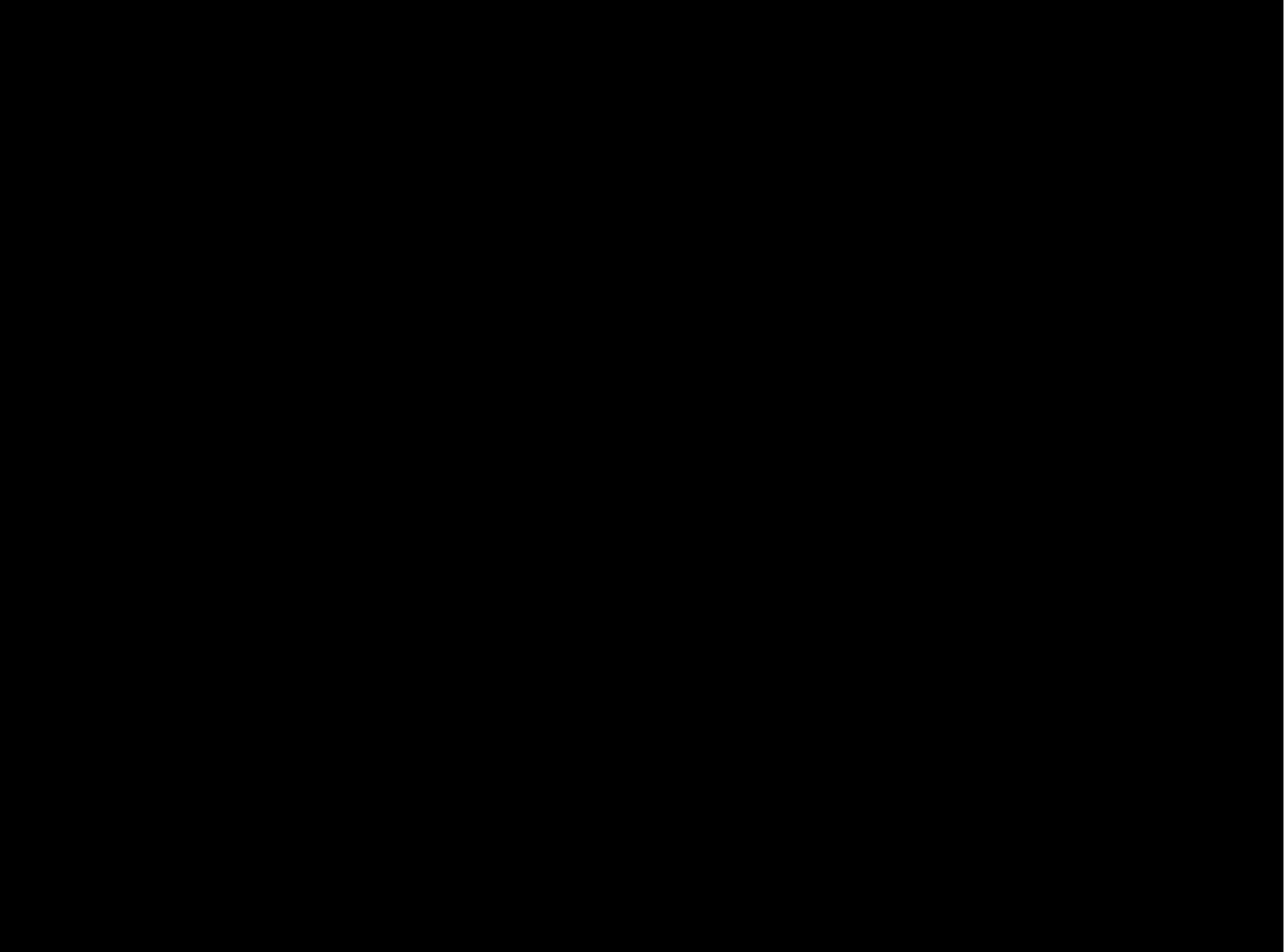
5. Why did the LORD continue to tell Moses to tell Pharaoh to, “Let My people go that they may serve Me in the wilderness?” and continue this line of thought through Exodus 10 and the eighth plague?
6. What are the implications of Pharaoh’s request that Moses and Aaron, “Entreat the LORD to remove the frogs,” (in 8:8) that God had made come into the land?
7. What was different about the plague of “gnats” that God inflicted “throughout all the land of Egypt”?
8. Where do things stand with Pharaoh, and with Moses and Aaron, as our lesson ends with Exodus 8:19?
9. What are some of your “take-aways” from this lesson?



# Closing



- Questions
- Benediction



# Meet The Egyptians

Important Note: Dates are approximate.



**Pharaoh Thutmose I** 1525 ca. – 1512 BC

**Moses born 1525 BC**

**Pharaoh Thutmose II** 1493 – 1479 BC (disputed)

**Moses in the Court of Pharaoh**

**Queen Hatshepsut** 1503 – 1482 BC

**Moses in the Court of Pharaoh (40 years total)**

**Pharaoh Thutmose III** 1504 – 1450 BC

**Moses in Exile in Midian (40 years)**

**Pharaoh Amenhotep II** 1450 – 1425 BC

**Pharaoh during the Exodus**

**Wandering in the Wilderness (40 years) Numbers**

<https://www.gotquestions.org/evidence-of-the-Exodus.html>



# Egyptian gods

(80 to 2,000 = lots of religious holidays)

