### **None like God!**

Exodus 6:14 These be the heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these be the families of Reuben. 15 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these are the families of Simeon. 16 And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi were an hundred thirty and seven years. 17 The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their families. 18 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath were an hundred thirty and three years. 19 And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these are the families of Levi according to their generations. 20 And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years. 21 And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri. 22 And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri. 23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to

wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. 24 And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these are the families of the Korhites. 25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas: these are the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families. 26 These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom the Lord said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their armies. 27

These are they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron.

28 And it came to pass on the day when the Lord spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt, 29 That the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, I am the

**Lord:** speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee. 30 And **Moses said before the Lord,** Behold, I *am* of

uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh

hearken unto me? 7:1 And the Lord said

unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet. 2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land. 3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt. 4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments. 5 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when

I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them. 6 And Moses and Aaron did as the Lord commanded them, so did they. 7 And **Moses** was

fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when they spake unto Pharaoh. 8
And the Lord spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 9 When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalt Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shall become a serpent. 10 And Moses

and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the Lord had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent. 11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments. 12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. 13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he

hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said. 14 And the Lord said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart *is* hardened, he refuseth to let the people go. 15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt

thou take in thine hand. 16 And thou shalt say unto him, The

Lord God of the Hebrews

hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let my

people go, that they may serve me in the

wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear. 17 Thus

saith the Lord, In this thou shalt know that I am

### the Lord: behold, I will smite with

the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in

the river, and they shall be turned to blood. 18 And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river. 19 And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone. 20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood. 21 And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt. 22 And the

magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments:

and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the Lord had said. 23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also. 24 And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river. 25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the Lord had smitten the river. 8:1 And the Lord spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 2

And if thou refuse to let them go, behold,  ${f I}$ 

### smite all thy borders with

**frogs:** 3 And the river shall bring forth **frogs** 

abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine

house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs: 4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants. 5 And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt. 6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt. 7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt. 8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, **Intreat the Lord, that he may** 

**take away the frogs** from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the Lord. 9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may remain in the river only? 10 And he said, To morrow. And he said, *Be it* according to

thy word: that thou mayest know that *there is* none like unto the Lord our God. 11 And the frogs shall

depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only. 12 And Moses

and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the Lord because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh. 13

And the Lord did according to the word of Moses;

and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields. 14 And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank. 15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and

hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said. 16 And the

### Lord said unto Moses, Say unto

Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 18

And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast. 19

## Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened

not unto them; as the Lord had said. 20 And the Lord

### said unto Moses, Rise up early in the

morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are. 22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know

that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth. 23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to morrow shall this sign be.

24 And the Lord did so; and there came a grievous swarm *of flies* into the house of Pharaoh, and *into* his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was corrupted by reason of the swarm *of flies*. 25 **And Pharaoh called for Moses and for** 

Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the

sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to the Lord our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us? 27 We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the Lord our God, as he shall command

US. 28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me. 29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat the Lord that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord. 30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the Lord. 31 And the Lord did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one. 32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

- God gives us some family history for Moses and his family. We know who is parents were. 6:20 And Amram took him
   Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him
   Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years.
  - It might seem to you that these parents aren't that important in the story but God took time to list them
  - Please be careful to realize that you are loaned a child to be raised for God and not for you.
  - Realize that God is going to use your child and you do not know how
  - You certainly don't want to hinder whatever it is that God has planned for your children
  - These are no young men 7:7 And Moses was
    fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore
    and three years old, when they spake unto Pharaoh.
- Later you will learn the story of two of Aaron's sons. It will not be
  a pretty sight. It will be a very sad story. 6:23 And Aaron
  took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of

### Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

- All we can do is raise our children the best we can, to give them the best example possible
- Help them to know how great God is and how great His work is.
- Help them to understand that serving God is not optional and can't be done the way you want or think
- Help them to never get used to or take for granted the things of God or the worship of God
- Aaron and Moses were just regular people in the family history
  who God chose to use 26 These are that Aaron and
  Moses, to whom the Lord said, Bring out
  the children of Israel from the land of
  Egypt according to their armies.
- Moses is still doubting God after all that he saw 6:28 And it came to pass on the day when the Lord spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt, 29 That the Lord

### spake unto Moses, saying, I am the Lord:

speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.

- a. What Moses had seen that should have already had him ready to believe God and act
  - He saw a burning bush that wasn't burned up
  - ii. God spoke to him audibly
  - iii. He was his rod become a snake, eat other snakes and become a rod again
  - iv. He saw his hand become leprous and healthy again
  - v. He saw water turn to blood
  - vi. He had God get in His face and tell him that he was God
- b. Moses responds still focusing on his inability 6:30 And Moses
   said before the Lord, Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips,

### and how shall Pharaoh

### hearken unto me?

- The uncircumcised lips refer to his lips not being fit, not worthy, dirty, useless
- ii. No matter what God has told Moses to do he doesn't believe that God can use him

- iii. Moses is focused on who he is instead of who is sending him and giving him the power to be used
- c. God reminds Moses that He has made provisions for every weakness that Moses has 7:1 And the Lord said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet. 2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.
  - i. Moses you are not even the one that is going to speak
  - ii. I simply want you to obey me
  - iii. I will have Aaron speak. You will tell him what to say
  - iv. You just follow instructions
  - v. How hard can this be
  - vi. God is the One doing the work. Aaron is the one doing the talking. All you have to do is listen to me and tell Aaron what I say to you
  - vii. The real question here is will you listen, believe, and obey God as He works
- d. God is going to harden Pharaoh's heart 7:3 And **I** will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs

and my wonders in the land of Egypt. 4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

- i. Pharaoh has said that he doesn't know God
- ii. He has said that he will not obey
- iii. He has shown no respect to God or His word and now God is going to bring judgment on him
- e. The end result is that the Egyptians are going to know that Jehovah is the One true God 7:5 And **the Egyptians**shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.
  - i. God's goal is that the world know who He is
  - ii. He will get glory for being the One and Only true God, creator of the universe one way or the other
  - iii. You too will recognize Him one way or the other
- 2. Moses and Aaron are not going in their own authority or power
  - 7:16 And thou shalt say unto him, The Lord

# God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

- a. God tells them that Pharaoh will be wanting to see one of their parlor tricks 7:8 And the Lord spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 9 When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalt Say unto
  - **Aaron,** Take thy rod, and cast *it* before Pharaoh, *and* it shall become a serpent.
  - i. The magicians are quick to point out that they too can do the same thing 7:11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.
  - ii. But Aaron's rod swallows their rods 7:12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

- iii. When Pharaoh sees that his magicians, witch doctors can do the same thing he is not impressed with God's show of power
- iv. God hardens Pharaoh's heart. He has gone too far. He has rejected God and now God is rejecting him 7:13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said. 14 And the Lord said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart *is* hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.
- b. God is going to use the rod to show that He is truly God. 7:17

  Thus saith the Lord, **In this thou shalt know**

that I am the Lord: behold, I Will

### smite with the rod that is in mine

hand upon the waters which *are* in the river, and they shall be turned to blood.

- i. The river, their life line, will be turned to blood
- ii. The fish will die
- iii. The river will stink
- iv. The Egyptians will be without drinking water

- v. It will not matter where the water is it will turn to blood
  7:19 And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take
  thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of
  Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their
  ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may
  become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all
  the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of
  stone.
- vi. All the fish died
- vii. The river stunk
- c. The devil's magicians couldn't solve the problem but could do the same thing 7:22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the Lord had said.
  - Amazingly the magicians repeat this judgment also
  - They only make matters worse
  - iii. It is enough to convince Pharaoh that the God of the Hebrews is nothing special
- d. This lesson wasn't enough to cause Pharaoh to pay attention either 7:23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house,

### neither did he set his heart to this also.

- 3. Moses goes back to see Pharaoh again 8:1 And the Lord spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
  - a. Pharaoh is warned that if he will not obey God then frogs are going to be all over their country. 8:2 And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all thy
     borders with frogs: 3 And the river

and come into thine house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs: 4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.

- i. Pharaoh has seen what God can do
- ii. He knows that these are not idle threats

- iii. However he believes that his gods are just as powerfuliv. In his pride he can't admit that God is greater than he is
- v. So the frogs come
- b. Again the magicians, witchdoctors, of the devil are able to do the same thing and would only be adding more misery to the people 8:7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.
  - That is what religion does
  - ii. It can cause people to see miracles but not the kind that free us from our misery and sin
  - iii. It can look powerful but is really powerless to save us from our condition
- c. Pharaoh realizes that every time there is only one way to get rid of the plague. He must ask Moses and Aaron to get their God to take them away 8:8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, **Intreat the Lord, that he may take away the frogs** from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the Lord.

- d. Moses tells Pharaoh to feel free, take the honor and glory of telling him when to pray for him 8:9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may remain in the river only?
- e. When Moses is asked to ask God to get rid of the frogs Moses tells Pharaoh that he should recognize that this means that there is no God like the God of Israel 8:10 And he said, To

morrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word: that

### thou mayest know that there is none like unto the Lord our God.

- i. God sent the frogs back to the river
- ii. Other frogs died and were stacked in piles
- iii. The whole country side stunk of dead frogs
- f. As soon as Pharaoh was out of trouble again he rejected God again 8:15 But when **Pharaoh saw that there**

### was respite, he hardened his heart, and

hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said.

- Isn't this how it works with us
- ii. We come looking for God and making promises when we are in trouble
- iii. When we need God we seek Him but when things settle back out we begin to doubt that He did the work in our lives
- iv. We begin to doubt that He is needed in our lives
- v. We want Him for emergencies, first aid, and help in time of need but not as our every day Lord of our life
- 4. God has set about to prove that He is God and will do so 8:19

## Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was

hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said.

a. He has Moses tell Aaron to stretch out his rod and smite the dust and the dust became lice throughout all the land 8:16

### And the Lord said unto

Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and

smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

- b. The magicians attempted this and were unable to accomplish the same 8:18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.
  - Finally the magicians can't do the same thing that Moses and Aaron have been doing
  - ii. Does this tell you anything about the power of the devil to deceive people
  - iii. He has great power. It is limited but he has power
  - iv. Do not believe in miracles, signs, and wonders
  - v. Trust the Word of God

c. Then God sends flies 8:20 And the Lord said

unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning,

and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are.

d. This time God sees to it that none of his people suffer from the different plagues that are coming on the land. 8:22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am the Lord in the

## midst of the earth. 23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to

morrow shall this sign be.

- Pharaoh can now see that it is God who is dealing with the Egyptians and not with the Israelites
- ii. He knows that something is happening that he can't understand
- e. Pharaoh begins to bargain with God
  - i. He will let them go and worship but they must do so under his terms
  - ii. They will stay in the land 8:25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land.
  - iii. Moses says, no sir, we will worship God as He commands not as you wish 8:27 We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to

### the Lord our God, as he shall command us.

- iv. Then Pharaoh says that they can go but not 3 days journey, not very far 8:28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me.
- v. Later Pharaoh will say that they can go as long as they leave their children out of the worship service and don't take their belongings
- f. The truth is that Pharaoh's heart is hard. He doesn't care what God wants and will lie about it. 8:32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time

  also, neither would he let the people

go.

- 5. The purpose of all this story is that Egypt and all people will know that God is the One and only true God 8:22 And I Will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth. 23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to morrow shall this sign be.
  - a. Do you know that He is God
  - b. Do you worship Him as though He were really this powerful
  - c. God will show His power, He will be glorified.

- d. He is to be worshipped
- e. The World is to know how great our God is