His Name Declared Throughout the Whole Earth

Exodus 9:1 Then the Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 2 For if thou refuse to let *them* go, and wilt hold them still, 3 Behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thy cattle which *is* in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: *there shall be* a very **grievous murrain**. 4 And the Lord shall

sever between the cattle of Israel and the

that is the children's of Israel. 5 And the Lord appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the Lord shall do this thing in the land. 6 And the Lord did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the

cattle of the children of Israel died not one. 7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go. 8 And the Lord said unto Moses and unto Aaron,

people go. 8 And the Lord said unto Moses and unto Aaron,
Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses
sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. 9 And it
shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a

boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon

beast, throughout all the land of Egypt. 10 And they

took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast. 11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians. 12 And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had spoken unto

Moses. 13 And the Lord said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 14 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou

mayest know that *there is* none like me in all the

earth. 15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I

may smite thee and thy people with pestilence;

and thou shalt be cut off from the earth. 16 And in

very deed for this *cause*have I raised thee up, for to

shew *in* thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth. 17 As yet exaltest thou thyself

against my people, that thou wilt not let them go? 18

Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now. 19 Send therefore now, and gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; for upon every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die. 20 He that feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses: 21 And he that

regarded not the word of the Lord

left his servants and his cattle in the field. 22 And the Lord

said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt. 23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the Lord rained hail upon the land of Egypt. 24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field. 26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail. 27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. 28 Intreat the Lord (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer. 29 And

Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the Lord; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that

thou mayest know how that the earth is the Lord's. 30 But as

for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the Lord God. 31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was bolled. 32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they were not grown up. 33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto the Lord: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth. 34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants. 35 And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the Lord had spoken by Moses. 10:1 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and

the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him: 2 And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I am the Lord. 3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me. 4 Else, if thou refuse to let

locusts into thy coast: 5 And they

shall cover the face of the earth, that one cannot be able to

see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field: 6 And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh. 7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the Lord their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed? 8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve the Lord your God: but who are they that shall go? 9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for

we must hold a feast unto the Lord. 10 And he said unto them, Let the Lord be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you. 11 Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the Lord; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence. 12 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left. 13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. 14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. 15 For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt. 16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the Lord your God,

and against you. 17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat the Lord your God, that he may take away from me this death only. 18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the Lord. 19 And the Lord turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt. 20 But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go. 21 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. 22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days: 23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings. 24 And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the Lord; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little

ones also go with you. 25 And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the Lord our God. 26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the Lord our God; and we know not with what we must serve the Lord, until we come thither. 27 But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. 28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die. 29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.

- Lots of plagues or curses come on Egypt in this passage of Scripture
 - Their cattle are killed while none of the cattle that belonged to Israel died
 - Boils came on them from the poorest to the richest and most powerful
 - Pestilence comes on them

- Hail and fire that destroys everything
- Then locusts comes and kills what the hail and fire has not destroyed
- Then a thick darkness came where they couldn't see their hand in front of their face. They literally couldn't get out of the bed for 3 days
- All of this is so that all will know that God is the One and only true God
 - Pharaoh and Egypt will know
 - Israel will know
 - The world will know
 - The children will hear the great stories of their great God and what He has done
- God wants everyone in the world to know that He is the One and Only true God
- People that weren't Jewish actually began to fear the Word of the Lord and to believe what they heard
- Others lied about being sorry and wanting to get God to forgive them
- Some wanted to please God just to protect their financial investments-prosperity gospel

- God wants His people to serve Him no matter what the world thinks Exodus 9:1 Then the Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
 - a. The big problem in all this story has been that God wants His people to worship Him and the world is doing all in its power to stop them from worshiping
 - b. The world is willing to compromise but not surrender
 - c. Pharaoh has offered to let them go if only the men go
 - d. He has offered to let them go if they leave their children at home
 - e. He has offered to let them go as long as they do not go far
 - f. He has offered to let them go as long as they leave their material goods at home
 - g. But he never truly wants them to go and always finds a way to say one thing and do another
- 2. God has been showing Pharaoh and Egypt that these were not just coincidences or natural phenomena 9:4 And the

Lord shall sever between the cattle of

Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all that is the children's of Israel.

- a. God wants Pharaoh to know that He is acting and that it is His judgement on Egypt and Israel is not suffering from the same consequences or natural disasters
- b. He causes the pain to get into the palace
- c. Now the magicians are suffering from the curses
- d. Pharaoh's leaders are starting to realize that this is not just some game that is being played 10:7 And

Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us?

let the men go, that they may serve the Lord their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?

 God wants Pharaoh and Egypt to know that He is the One and Only true God and there is none other like Him 9:14
 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that

thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth.

- a. The lost world needs to know that there is only One true God
- b. God may have to deal strongly with them to cause them to realize that He is God and He is Lord
- c. The plagues and curses are not accidents, natural disasters, climate change, or any other excuse that people could make up in that day. It was God at work in their lives
- d. The magicians, the politicians, the smart people of the day had no answer and no solution for what God was doing
- e. There was no way the greatest nation of the day could protect itself. God could bring the greatest from the top to the bottom. He will destroy Egypt in these few chapters

9:15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with **pestilence**; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

4. God is at work in Egypt and in the life of the Pharaoh so that they whole world will know about Him-Jehovah God-

how strong He is and who He is 9:16 And in

very deed for this cause
have I raised thee up, for
to shew in thee my power;
and that my name may be
declared throughout all
the earth.

- a. God has always wanted the world to know who He is and to know His name
- b. We can't read this passage without realizing the urgency to get His name declared to the entire earth
- c. There are great things happening, that are literally shocking the world--so that all will know He is God
- d. God is a God of power
- e. He is not a man made idea or idol
- f. He is eternal, all powerful, sovereign God
- g. Pharaoh like so many today is unwilling to humble himself before God. He thinks of himself as a god. 9:17 **As yet**exaltest thou thyself against my

 people, that thou wilt not let them go? 10:3 And

 Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the

 Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me.

5. Some began to believe the Word of God 9:20 He that feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the

houses: 21 And he that regarded not

the word of the Lord left his servants and his

cattle in the field.

- a. Some people see enough of the power of God to believe Him.
- b. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom
- c. They put up their cattle and got under cover and saved their livestock
- d. Others ignored the Word of the Lord and suffered the consequences
- e. Again God is showing all of Egypt that He is the God of Israel as He protects them 9:26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.

- f. There are always false professions, confessions that are simply tricks trying to get God's blessings 9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. 28

 Intreat the Lord (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.
- 6. The earth and everything belong to God 9:29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the Lord; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that

thou mayest know how that the earth *is* the Lord's.

- a. God is proving to Pharaoh that He is the Owner of everything by His great power
- b. We should learn that lesson and apply it to our lives
- c. We think we own things
- d. We think, like Pharaoh, that we are little kings, gods, owners, controllers when He is the One and Only
- 7. God is doing all of this also to prove to Israel that He is God
 - tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them;

that ye may know how that I am the Lord.

- a. God wants His people telling their children the great things that God has done
- b. He wants the parents to believe that He is truly God and then to tell the stories about Him as God to their children
- c. God wants Israel to have great stories of His power and His grace. He wants their children to be thrilled to hear the great things that God has done
- d. God protected Israel in the middle of great crisis
- e. God wanted complete, undivided worship from His people 10:26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the Lord our God; and we know not with what we must serve the Lord, until we come thither.
 - i. There were to be no conditions placed on their worship
 - ii. They would go all as a family

- iii. They would take all of their stuff
- iv. Their material goods would all be available to God as they worshiped Him
- v. They were going surrendered, yielded, open handed, ready to worship God as He desired to be worshipped
- Do you want to serve and worship God no matter what the world thinks?
- Have you seen God blessing those that love and serve Him even in the worst of times?
- Do you realize how hungry God is for the world to know who
 He is and that His name be proclaimed to all?
- Are you sharing the Word of God with others that may not have shown interest before?
- Are you seeing any of them realizing that God is making a difference in your life, that His Word is true, and worth believing?
- Do you realize that everything belongs to God? Does that affect the way you manage your time, your talents, your treasure? Do you seek God's will about how to use what you have for His glory since it belongs to Him?

- Are you getting any stories that show to you and your family how great God is? Personal stories? Things that He is doing in your life?
- Are you sharing God, His Word, His power, what He has done with your family?