

The Plagues 1. Blood 2. Frogs 6. Boils 7. Hail 3. Gnats 8. Locust 4. Flies 9. Darkness 5. Livestock 10. Death of Firstborn

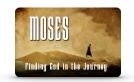
Overview of the Exodus Plagues

	plague	forewarning	time of warning	instruction formula
first series	1. blood	yes	"in the morning"	"Station yourself"
	2. frogs	yes	none	"Go to Pharaoh"
	3. gnats	none	none	none
second series	4. flies	yes	"in the morning"	"Station yourself"
	5. livestock	yes	none	"Go to Pharaoh"
	6. boils	none	none	none
third series	7. hail	yes	"in the morning"	"Station yourself"
	8. locusts	yes	none	"Go to Pharaoh"
	9. darkness	none	none	none
climax	10. death of firstborn	yes	none	none

Lessons on the Path to Freedom

1. In life there will be challenges that we will feel unqualified and unprepared to face. Trust God anyway.

Exodus 6:12 But Moses said to the Lord, "If the Israelites will not listen to me, why would Pharaoh listen to me, since I speak with faltering lips"



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2. Obedience doesn't guarantee earthly prosperity.

Exodus 10:28 Pharaoh said to Moses, "Get out of my sight! Make sure you do not appear before me again! The day you see my face you will die."

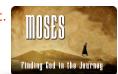


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3. These chapters, like so many others in the Bible clearly demonstrate the vast reservoir of God's <u>patience</u>.

Exodus 12:41 At the end of the 430 years, to the very day, all the LORD's divisions left Egypt.

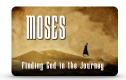
Exodus 11:1 Now the LORD had said to Moses, "I will bring *one more plague* on Pharaoh and on Egypt

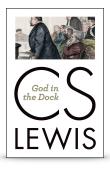


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4. These chapters, like so many others in the Bible clearly demonstrate God's patience does have it's <u>limits</u>.

Exodus 9:12 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart and he would not listen to Moses and Aaron, just as the LORD had said to Moses. (the end of 6th Plague)



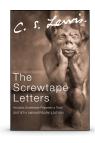


"It is not a question of God "sending us" to hell. In each of us there is something growing, which will *BE* hell unless it is nipped in the bud."

-C.S. Lewis, "God in the Dock" pg. 154-15

"The safest road to hell is the gradual one

 the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts."



-C.S. Lewis, "The Screwtape Letters" pg. 64-65

Exodus 9:27 Then Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron. "This time I have sinned," he said to them. "The LORD is in the right, and I and my people are in the wrong.

Exodus 10:17 Now forgive my sin once more and pray to the LORD your God to take this deadly plague away from me."

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5. Although most people read this account and identify with Moses, I believe that often times we respond to God's leading just like Pharaoh did.

Exodus 7:22-23 Pharaoh would not listen to Moses and Aaron, just as the LORD had said. ²³ Instead, he turned and went into his palace, and did not take even this to heart.



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6. Responding to God leads to Salvation.

Exodus 9:19-20 Give an order now to bring your livestock and everything you have in the field to a place of shelter, because the hail will fall on every man and animal that has not been brought in and is still out in the field, and they will die.' " ²⁰ Those officials of Pharaoh who feared the word the LORD hurried to

bring their slaves and their livestock inside.