

EXODUS BIBLE STUDY AND GUIDE

LESSON 17 EXODUS 10:1-20

We have an account of the eighth wonder in this passage.

1. We saw in chapter 9:34-35, Pharaoh hardened his heart after he received relief. Yet in chapter 10:1, the hardening is attributed to Jehovah. He is sovereign yet working through Pharaoh's natural desires. In v1-2, what are the reasons that Jehovah gives for hardening the heart of Pharaoh? The Hebrew word for harden here has the meaning of heavy, dull, insensible.
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2. In v3, what is the indictment of Pharaoh?
 - How does this speak to his previous actions?
3. In vv4-6, what are the consequences for not letting God's people go?
4. How does the scripture seem to portray Moses' delivery of the message and what is the response of Pharaoh's servants in vv6-7?
5. In vv8-11, what is it that Pharaoh seeks to accomplish? What is his end response and why?

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6. How does Jehovah respond through Moses and Aaron, and His own power, and to what extent in vv12-15?

7. Once more, the devastation causes Pharaoh to change his mind. Vv16-20 describe the next encounter with Moses and Aaron along with Jehovah's actions. What is Pharaoh's response and how would you characterize it?
 - How would you characterize Jehovah's initial response through Moses and His own action?

 - Again, with what is the hardening associated? The Hebrew word for hardened here has the meaning of firm, resolute, obstinate, stout.

CONTEMPLATION

8. Speculation warning, why would Pharaoh refuse to humble himself before the Lord? In this instance, what did it mean to humble himself, i.e., what did it entail? Why do people not want to humble themselves before the Lord?

9. Do you believe that Pharaoh truly repented? What is true repentance and what does it look like? Does God require men to repent? What are some bible references?