



Reflection Questions

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Sign #4 – Flies in the Air

Exodus 8:20-32

As the 4th sign comes upon Egypt, Pharaoh once again acknowledges that only Yahweh has the power to restore order. However, Pharaoh is still desperate to hang on to his power and believes he has the authority to enter into negotiations with the Almighty. Meanwhile, God's great mercy is on display as He makes a 'distinction' between His people, and Egypt.

Reflection Questions:

1. Review the story of Joseph's arrival in Egypt. What are some the comparisons and contrasts you can make between that story and this passage?
2. What are some of the dangers we face during times of great prosperity and blessing? How does the enemy seek to use these circumstances to his advantage?
3. Note the structure of the first 9 plagues on Egypt. Do you see a pattern? What might Moses be seeking to communicate through this pattern?
4. Look at Genesis 3:6. What were Eve's temptations? How do they mirror our own tendency to create idols?
5. How does Satan use idols in our lives to draw us away from God?
6. Discuss the great comfort that we can see in the words of Exodus 8:23?
7. What are some of the ways we can see Jesus Christ as our 'Land of Goshen?'
8. In Exodus 8:27 Moses tells Pharaoh that he must do exactly as the Lord commands. How is this a reminder of how seriously we should take our obedience to God's commands?
9. How can the text of this passage encourage us to continue living for God even when we have stumbled in our obedience?