

“Plagues Pt 1” • Exodus 7b–8

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Intro text • Psalm 2:1 _____

Intro • *What are the funniest Bible stories? Why does God use humor in scripture?*

#1 • Nile Turned to Blood

7:14–15 • Aaron’s staff = his serpent EATS the magician’s serpents
Targeted god = Wadjet → believed to protect and sustain the Pharaoh

Vs 16–21 • The Nile River DIES
Targeted god = Khnum → believed to create life on his potter’s wheel

#2 • Frogs

8:1–4 • Targeted god = Heqet → believed to bring the breath of life; a god of resurrection

Vs 5–8 • Pharaoh’s false repentance _____

Vs 9–15 • Sin leaves a “foul odor” _____

#3 • Gnats (poss. mosquitos or lice!) _____

Vs 16–19 • The magicians say: “This is the finger of God!” _____

#4 • Flies (lit. “swarms”)
Targeted god = Set → worshiped as the god of the frontier (a desert god)

Vs 22–23 • Goshen set apart & protected _____

→ the Holy Spirit is our “Goshen” _____

Vs 24–32 • Pharaoh tries to negotiate and play games with God

→ Don’t play games with God! Salvation is found in total trust; complete surrender. Lukewarm faith is gross (Rev 3:15-16; Phil 3:8).

Upcoming:

- #5 • Pestilence on Cattle | #6 • Boils | #7 • Hail
- #8 • Locust | #9 • Darkness | #10 • Death of Firstborn / Passover