



Outward Group Discussion Guide

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SUMMARY

In this exploration of Exodus 7-10, we dive deep into the story of the plagues of Egypt, uncovering profound truths about God's nature and our own hearts. The central question 'Who is the Lord?' echoes through time, challenging us to examine our own relationship with God. As we witness Pharaoh's hardened heart in the face of overwhelming divine power, we're prompted to reflect on areas in our lives where we might be resisting God's authority. The plagues, each targeting an Egyptian deity, reveal God's supremacy over all false gods - a poignant reminder for us to identify and relinquish our modern-day idols. This message compels us to consider: Are we, like Pharaoh, bargaining with God and holding onto our personal 'thrones'? It's a call to surrender fully to God's sovereignty, recognizing Him as the one true God above all else in our lives.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How do we sometimes act like Pharaoh in our own lives, hardening our hearts against God's authority?
2. In what ways might we be worshipping modern-day 'gods' similar to how the Egyptians worshipped their deities?
3. How does the concept of God's judgment in the plagues challenge or affirm your understanding of His character?
4. What can we learn from Moses' transformation from a reluctant leader to a bold messenger of God?
5. How do the plagues demonstrate both God's power and His desire to be known by all people, not just the Israelites?
6. In what areas of your life might you be bargaining with God, trying to maintain control like Pharaoh did?
7. How does the story of the plagues reveal the futility of human power and wisdom in the face of God's sovereignty?

8. What parallels can we draw between the darkness plague and Jesus' death and resurrection?
9. How might the concept of fearing God, as mentioned in Jim Baker's story, impact our daily walk with Him?
10. In what ways does this passage challenge us to examine the authenticity and depth of our commitment to God?