

I. THE FOURTH PLAGUE - FLIES. (EXODUS 8:20-24, 30-32)

²⁰ Now the LORD said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and present yourself before Pharaoh, ^[a]as he comes out to the water, and say to him, 'Thus says the LORD, **"Let My people go, that they may serve Me.**" ²¹ For if you do not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and on your servants and on your people and into your houses; and the houses of the Egyptians will be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they *dwell*. ²² But on that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, **where My people are ^[b]living, so that no swarms of flies will be there,** in order that you may know that ^[c]the LORD, am in the midst of the land. ²³ I will ^[d]put a division between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign will occur."²⁴ Then the LORD did so. And there came ^[e]great swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh and the houses of his servants and the land was laid waste because of the swarms of flies in all the land of Egypt.

³⁰ So Moses went out from Pharaoh and made supplication to the LORD. ³¹ The LORD did ^[f]as Moses asked, and removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants and from his people; not one remained. ³² **But Pharaoh ^[g]hardened his heart this time also,** and he did not let the people go.

II. THE FIFTH PLAGUE. - DISEASE ON LIVESTOCK (EXODUS 9:1-7)

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to Pharaoh and speak to him, 'Thus says the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, **"Let My people go, that they may serve Me.**" ² For if you refuse to let *them* go and ^[a]continue to hold them, ³ behold, the hand of the LORD ^[b]will come *with* a very severe pestilence on your livestock which are in the field, on the horses, on the donkeys, on the camels, on the herds, and on the flocks. ⁴ **But the LORD will make a distinction between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt, so that nothing will die of all that belongs to the sons of Israel.**"⁵ The LORD set a definite time, saying, "Tomorrow the LORD will do this thing in the land." ⁶ So the LORD did this thing on the next day, and all the livestock of Egypt died; but of the livestock of the sons of Israel, not one died. ⁷ Pharaoh sent, and behold, there was not even one of the livestock of Israel dead. **But the heart of Pharaoh was ^[c]hardened,** and he did not let the people go.

III. THE SIXTH PLAGUE. - UNHEALABLE BOILS & SORES. (EXODUS 9:8-12)

⁸ Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of soot from a kiln, and let Moses throw it toward the sky in the sight of Pharaoh. ⁹ It will become fine dust over all the land of Egypt, and will become boils breaking out with sores on man and beast through all the land of Egypt." ¹⁰ So they took soot from a kiln, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses threw it toward the sky, and it became boils breaking out with sores on man and beast. ¹¹ The ^[a]magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians ^[b]as well as on all the Egyptians. ¹² **And the LORD ^[c]hardened Pharaoh's heart,** and he did not listen to them, just as the LORD had spoken to Moses.

IV. THE SEVENTH PLAGUE. - HAIL STONES & FIRE (EXODUS 9:22-35)

²² Now the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward the sky, that ^[a]hail may fall on all the land of Egypt, on man and on beast and on every plant of the field, throughout the land of Egypt." ²³ Moses stretched out his staff toward the sky, and the LORD ^[b]sent ^[c]thunder and hail, and fire ran down to the earth. And the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt. ²⁴ So there was hail, and fire ^[d]flashing continually in the midst of the hail, very severe, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. ²⁵ The hail struck all that was in the field through all the land of Egypt, both man and beast; the hail also struck every plant of the field and shattered every tree of the field. ²⁶ **Only in the land of Goshen, where the sons of Israel were, there was no hail.** ²⁷ Then Pharaoh ^[e]sent for Moses and Aaron, and said to them, "I have sinned this time; the LORD is the righteous one, and I and my people are the wicked ones. ²⁸ Make supplication to the LORD, for there has been enough of God's ^[f]thunder and hail; and I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer." ²⁹ Moses said to him, "As soon as I go out of the city, I will spread out my ^[g]hands to the LORD; the ^[h]thunder will cease and there will be hail no longer, that you may know that the earth is the LORD'S. ³⁰ But as for you and your servants, I know that you do not yet ^[i]fear ^[j]the LORD God." ³¹ (Now the flax and the barley were ^[k]ruined, for the barley was in the ear and the flax was in bud. ³² But the wheat and the spelt were

not ^[a]ruined, for they *ripen* late.) ³³ So Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread out his ^[h]hands to the LORD; and the ^[s]thunder and the hail ceased, and rain ^[i]no longer poured on the earth. ³⁴ But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the ^[u]thunder had ceased, **he sinned again and ^[v]hardened his heart, he and his servants.** ³⁵ **Pharaoh's heart was ^[w]hardened,** and he did not let the sons of Israel go, just as the LORD had spoken through Moses.