



Lesson 7

2 Chronicles 20:6b

“Lord, You are the God of our people who lived long ago. You are the God who is in Heaven. You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. You are strong and powerful. No one can fight against You and win.”

The Plague of Flies

Exodus 8:20–32

²⁰Then the Lord spoke to Moses. He said, “Get up early in the morning. Talk to Pharaoh as he goes down to the Nile River. Say to him, ‘The Lord says, “Let My people go. Then they will be able to worship Me. ²¹If you do not let My people go, I will send large numbers of flies. I will send them on you and your officials. I will send them on your people and into your homes. The houses of the Egyptians will be full of flies. Even the ground will be covered with them.

²²““But on that day I will treat the area of Goshen differently from yours. That is where My people live. There will not be large numbers of flies in Goshen. Then you will know that I, the Lord, am in this land. ²³I will treat My people differently from yours. This sign will take place tomorrow.””

²⁴So the Lord did it. Huge numbers of flies poured into Pharaoh’s palace. They came into the homes of his officials. All over Egypt the flies destroyed the land.

²⁵Then Pharaoh sent for Moses and Aaron. He said to them, “Go. Offer sacrifices to your God here in the land.”

²⁶But Moses said, “That wouldn’t be right. The sacrifices we offer to the Lord our God wouldn’t be accepted by the Egyptians because of their beliefs. For that reason, they would throw stones at us and try to kill us. ²⁷We have to take a journey that lasts about three days. We want to go into the desert to offer sacrifices to the Lord our God, just as He commands us.”

²⁸Pharaoh said, “I will let you and your people go to offer sacrifices. You can offer them to the Lord your God in the desert. But you must not go very far. Now pray for me.”

²⁹Moses replied, “As soon as I leave you, I will pray to the Lord. Tomorrow the flies will leave you. They will also leave your officials and your people. Just be sure you don’t try to trick us again. Let the people go to offer sacrifices to the Lord.”

³⁰Then Moses left Pharaoh and prayed to the Lord. ³¹And the Lord did what Moses asked. The flies left Pharaoh, his officials and his people. Not one fly remained. ³²But Pharaoh became stubborn this time also. He wouldn’t let the people go.

Questions

1 What was the fourth plague God sent upon Pharaoh and all of Pharaoh’s people? The fourth plague

- was large numbers of _____. (Ex. 8:21)
- 2 What would become full of these flies? All the Egyptians' _____ would become full of these flies. (Ex. 8:21)
 - 3 Would there be flies outside the homes too? (Yes/No) _____. The flies would even cover the _____. (Ex. 8:21)
 - 4 What would be different about this plague from the three previous plagues? Why? God would treat the area of _____ differently, because that was where God's _____ lived. There would not be _____ numbers of _____ there. (Ex. 8:22)
 - 5 What would Pharaoh know when he saw that large number of flies weren't in Goshen but were everywhere else in Egypt? Pharaoh would know that the _____ is in the land, and that He _____ His people differently from Pharaoh's people. (Ex. 8:22–23)
 - 6 What happened the next day? **H** _____ numbers of flies came and destroyed the _____ all over Egypt. (Ex. 8:24)
 - 7 What was Pharaoh's response to the flies? Pharaoh told Moses and Aaron to _____ and _____ sacrifices to their God, but to do so while staying within the land of Egypt. (Ex. 8:25)
 - 8 Did Moses and Aaron agree to this? (Yes/No) _____. Why not? They did not agree because their _____ would not be _____ by the Egyptians. The Egyptians would throw _____ at the Israelites and try to _____ them. (Ex. 8:26)
 - 9 Did Pharaoh then agree to let God's people take a three-day journey into the desert to offer sacrifices to the Lord? (Yes/No) _____. However, Pharaoh warned Moses not to go very _____, and Pharaoh also told Moses to _____ for him so that God would cause the flies to leave. (Ex. 8:28)
 - 10 Did Moses agree to pray to the Lord for the flies to leave Egypt? (Yes/No) _____. Moses promised to pray to the Lord as _____ as he left Pharaoh. (Ex. 8:29–30)
 - 11 After Moses prayed, how many flies were left? Not _____ fly remained. (Ex. 8:31)
 - 12 With the flies gone, did Pharaoh keep his promise to Moses and Aaron? (Yes/No) _____. Pharaoh became _____ this time as well. (Ex. 8:32)

The Plague on Livestock

Exodus 9:1–7

¹Then the Lord spoke to Moses. He said, "Go to Pharaoh. Tell him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, says, "Let My people go. Then they will be able to worship Me. ²Do not refuse to let them go. Do not keep

holding them back. ³If you refuse, My powerful hand will bring a terrible plague on you. I will strike your livestock in the fields. I will strike your horses, donkeys, camels, cattle, sheep and goats. ⁴But I will treat Israel's livestock differently from yours. No animal that belongs to the people of Israel will die.””

⁵The Lord set a time for the plague. He said, “Tomorrow I will send it on the land.” ⁶So the next day the Lord sent it. All the livestock of the Egyptians died. But not one animal that belonged to the Israelites died. ⁷Pharaoh searched and found out what had happened. He discovered that not even one animal that belonged to the Israelites had died. But he was still very stubborn. He wouldn't let the people go.

Questions

- 13 What was the fifth plague God sent upon Pharaoh and all of Pharaoh's people? The fifth plague was on the _____ in the _____. (Ex. 9:3)
- 14 Did God warn Pharaoh beforehand? (Yes/No) _____. (Ex. 9:3)
- 15 What kinds of livestock would be struck by this terrible plague? _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____ would all be struck by this terrible plague. (Ex. 9:3)
- 16 Did God set a time for this plague to happen? (Yes/No) _____. The plague would happen the **n** _____ day (means “tomorrow”). (Ex. 9:5–6)
- 17 What did Pharaoh discover the next day when he searched and found out what had happened? Pharaoh discovered that not even _____ animal that belonged to the Israelites had died, but that _____ the livestock of the Egyptians had died. (Ex. 9:6–7)
- 18 What was Pharaoh's response to the death of all the Egyptians' livestock in the fields? Pharaoh was _____ very stubborn and _____ let the Israelites go. (Ex. 9:7)

The Plague of Boils

Exodus 9:8–12

⁸Then the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron. He said, “Take handfuls of ashes from a furnace. Have Moses toss them into the air in front of Pharaoh. ⁹The ashes will turn into fine dust over the whole land of Egypt. Then painful boils will break out on people and animals all over the land. Their bodies will be covered with them.”

¹⁰So Moses and Aaron took ashes from a furnace and stood in front of Pharaoh. Moses tossed them into the air. Then boils broke out on people and animals alike. ¹¹The bodies of all the Egyptians were covered with boils. The magicians couldn't stand in front of Moses because of the boils that were all over them. ¹²But the Lord made Pharaoh stubborn. Pharaoh wouldn't listen to Moses and Aaron, just as the Lord had said to Moses.

Questions

- 19) What was the sixth plague God sent upon Pharaoh and all of Pharaoh’s people? The sixth plague was _____. (Ex. 9:9)
- 20) How did this plague happen? Moses took _____ of _____ from a _____ and _____ them into the air in front of Pharaoh. The ashes turned into fine dust _____ the whole land of Egypt and caused _____ boils to break out on _____ and _____ all over the land. Their bodies were _____ with boils. (Ex. 9:8–11)
- 21) What happened to the magicians? The magicians couldn’t _____ in front of Moses because of the boils that were all over them. (Ex. 9:11)
- 22) After this sixth plague, who made Pharaoh stubborn? The _____ made Pharaoh stubborn. (Ex. 9:12)



God wasn’t going to let Pharaoh off the hook just yet. Full justice needed to be done to Pharaoh and all his people because of how they had enslaved and murdered so many of God’s people.

How did the Holy Spirit speak to you this week as you studied these Bible verses? In other words, what did you learn this week from reading God’s Word?
