

Exodus 7-10

7:1 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Pay close attention to this. I will make you seem like God to Pharaoh, and your brother, Aaron, will be your prophet. **2** Tell Aaron everything I command you, and Aaron must command Pharaoh to let the people of Israel leave his country. **3** But I will make Pharaoh’s heart stubborn so I can multiply my miraculous signs and wonders in the land of Egypt. **4** Even then Pharaoh will refuse to listen to you. So I will bring down my fist on Egypt. Then I will rescue my forces—my people, the Israelites—from the land of Egypt with great acts of judgment.

7:20 So Moses and Aaron did just as the Lord commanded them. As Pharaoh and all of his officials watched, Aaron raised his staff and struck the water of the Nile. Suddenly, the whole river turned to blood! **21** The fish in the river died, and the water became so foul that the Egyptians couldn’t drink it. There was blood everywhere throughout the land of Egypt.

8:6 So Aaron raised his hand over the waters of Egypt, and frogs came up and covered the whole land!

8:17 So Moses and Aaron did just as the Lord had commanded them. When Aaron raised his hand and struck the ground with his staff, gnats infested the entire land, covering the Egyptians and their animals. All the dust in the land of Egypt turned into gnats.

8:24 And the Lord did just as he had said. A thick swarm of flies filled Pharaoh’s palace and the houses of his officials. The whole land of Egypt was thrown into chaos by the flies.

9:6 And the Lord did just as he had said. The next morning all the livestock of the Egyptians died, but the Israelites didn’t lose a single animal.

9:8 Then the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, “Take handfuls of soot from a brick kiln, and have Moses toss it into the air while Pharaoh watches. **9** The ashes will spread like fine dust over the whole land of Egypt, causing festering boils to break out on people and animals throughout the land.”

9:23 So Moses lifted his staff toward the sky, and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and lightning flashed toward the earth. The Lord sent a tremendous hailstorm against all the land of Egypt...**25** It left all of Egypt in ruins. The hail struck down everything in the open field—people, animals, and plants alike. Even the trees were destroyed.

10:14 And the locusts swarmed over the whole land of Egypt, settling in dense swarms from one end of the country to the other. It was the worst locust plague in Egyptian history, and there has never been another one like it. **15** For the locusts covered the whole country and darkened the land. They devoured every plant in the fields and all the fruit on the trees that had survived the hailstorm. Not a single leaf was left on the trees and plants throughout the land of Egypt.

10:22 So Moses lifted his hand to the sky, and a deep darkness covered the entire land of Egypt for three days. **23** During all that time the people could not see each other, and no one moved. But there was light as usual where the people of Israel lived.

Questions:

1. How did God make Moses & Aaron “appear” to Pharaoh?
2. Was there a plague that didn’t seem that bad to you? Why?
3. Which of the plagues would you not want to experience? Why?
4. What was Moses and Aaron asking Pharaoh to do?
5. How have you seen God work in a powerful way in your life or your family?