

EXODUS 10; March 1; Locusts & Thick Darkness

ANALYSIS:

1. What did the LORD plan for Moses to tell his sons and grandsons?

2. What did the LORD say Pharaoh was guilty of before Him?

3. After Pharaoh had said: "Go, serve the LORD .." (v 8), why didn't the LORD cancel the locusts that had been promised (v 12)?

4. When Pharaoh offered for the Israelites to go worship, but to leave their flocks and herds, why did Moses reject this compromise?

5. Pharaoh told Moses to get out of his sight, and if he ever saw him again he would die. What was Moses' reply?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Pharaoh's cabinet of counselors advised him to let the Israelites go. I love the reason they gave Pharaoh! "Knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?!" Yes, they had experienced water to blood killing all the fish, frogs, lice, flies, murrain, boils, hail, thunder, fire and rain; and doubtless the national economy and every Egyptian family was facing privation and bankruptcy. Now they were threatened with a plague of locusts which could bring on a famine disaster. But they couldn't persuade hard-hearted Pharaoh, could they, when God was answering the petitions of His children?!

"How long shall this man be a snare unto us?" Has your family or friends or work colleagues said or hinted they felt this way about you? Have you stood alone rather than give in and join their pagan celebration, questionable party, unethical business methods or unfair personnel dealings? If your stand is to honor Jesus as LORD, then **STAND TALL!**

HELP:

1. What things the LORD had wrought in Egypt, and the signs He did among them (v 2).

2. He refused to humble himself before the LORD (v 3).

3. Pharaoh refused to allow the whole family to go to worship the LORD (he gave only the men permission) (v 11).

4. We need our flock and herds for sacrifices and burnt offerings, for we know not with what we must serve the LORD (vs 25-26). Furthermore, they were not planning on returning to Egypt after sacrificing, so they needed to take everything they owned with them.

5. Thou hast well spoken, I will see thy face again no more (v 29).