

When the righteous cry out for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. Pslam 37:14

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel? 2. What does this story teach me about myself? 3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good? 4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God? 5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



## MOSES CONFRONTED PHARAOH

Fxodus 5-12

## WHY DOES SIN SEPARATE US FROM GOD? BECAUSE GOD IS HOLY, SIN HAS BROKEN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.

Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and said, "This is what the LORD says: Let My people go, so they may worship Me." Pharaoh replied, "Who is the LORD that I should obey Him? I will not let Israel go." To punish them for what Moses and Aaron had requested, Pharaoh made the Israelites work even harder. Moses said to God, "Why did You send me? You have not rescued Your people at all!" God replied, "Now see. I will rescue you from slavery. I will give you the land I promised to you. The Egyptians will know I am the LORD."

Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh again to ask him to let Israel go. But Pharaoh's heart was hard, and he did not listen to them. So God sent plagues to Egypt: the Nile River turned to blood, frogs covered the land, the dust became gnats, swarms of flies came to the Egyptians' houses, the Egyptians' herds and flocks died, painful boils appeared on the Egyptian people, hail and thunderstorms ruined many crops, locusts ate up all the remaining plants, and darkness covered the land.

Before the tenth and final plague, God commanded His people to kill a spotless animal and put the blood over the door of their houses. That night, God passed through Egypt. If there was blood over the door, then God passed over and the firstborn did not die. Pharaoh finally told Moses and Aaron that God's people could go.

Christ Connection: Because of Pharaoh's hard heart, Egypt suffered but God's people were saved. Because of Jesus' loving heart, He willingly suffered on the cross so we could be saved from sin. His blood saves us from our sin just as the Passover lamb's blood saved the firstborn of the Israelites.

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