Year 1

Week 34

God Versus Pharaoh

Scriptures: Exodus 5 - 10

Key Verse: Exodus 6:6 "Therefore say to the children of Israel: I am the Lord; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments"

Key Points:

- 1. Moses goes to see Pharaoh and he becomes angry. Pharaoh scoffs at God and makes the children of Israel work even harder, having to find their own straw for making bricks. Moses is discouraged, Pharaoh becomes meaner, but God becomes even stronger against him.
- 2. God promises He will deal with Pharaoh and that Pharaoh will drive the children of Israel out of his land. He will do many signs so that the people would know that HE IS GOD. God instructs Moses and Aaron to go to Pharaoh again, this time using Aaron's rod to become a snake. Pharaoh called his sorcerers and they too made snakes from rods, but Aaron's snakes ate up Pharaoh's and this made him very angry again and would not let the people go.
- 3. God sends the first 9 plagues to the Egyptians, none ever affected the Israelites. Through all 9 plagues Pharaoh would not give up. Several times Moses went to Pharaoh before the plague would come to give him a chance to free the Israelites, but he would not. (As time permits, go over each plague; briefly talk about how they affected the people).

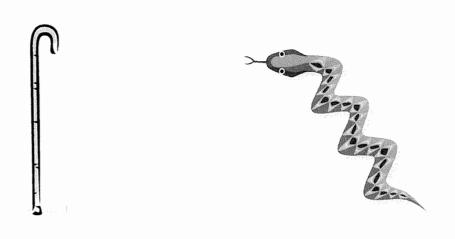
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4. God shows His power to Pharaoh through these plagues. God also shows love for His people and that He keeps His promises and covenants.

10 Plagues: Water to Blood, Frogs, Lice, Flies, diseased Livestock, Boils, Hail, Locusts, Darkness, and death of the Firstborn.

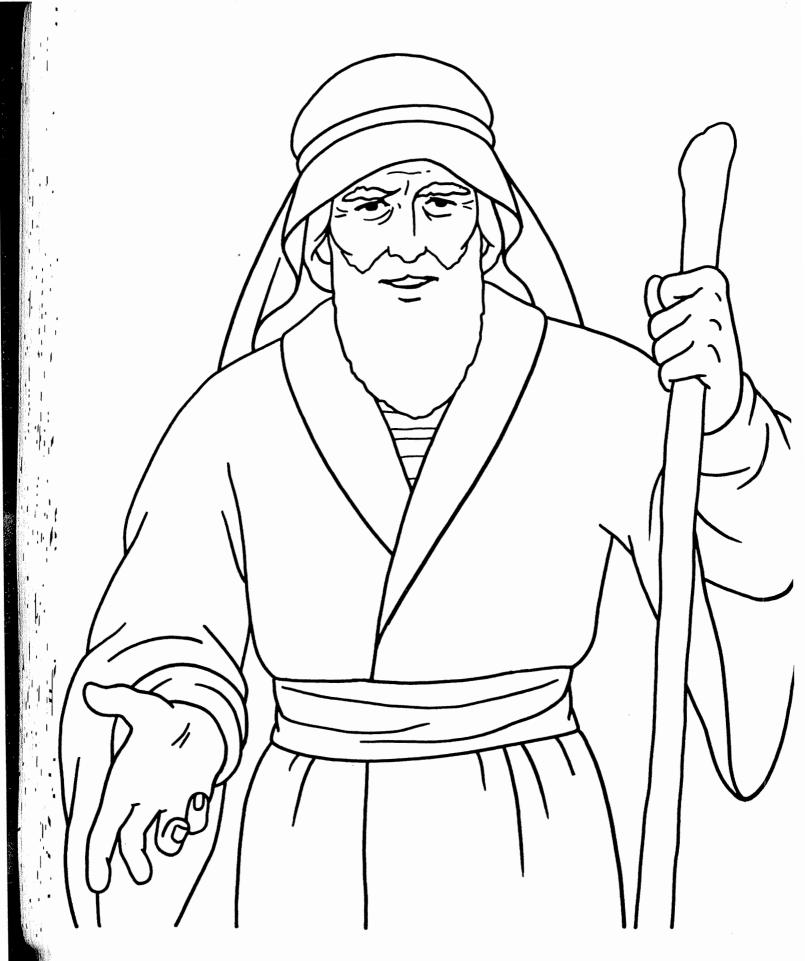
Death of the Firstborn will be covered in lesson 35. This is a lot of material, however, teaching the important concepts of God using Pharaoh's stubbornness, God showing his power to the people, and keeping promises would be important to bring out in this lesson. It may not be as necessary to focus too much on the individual plagues.

Year 1, Week 34 Exodus 5-10 God Versus Pharaoh

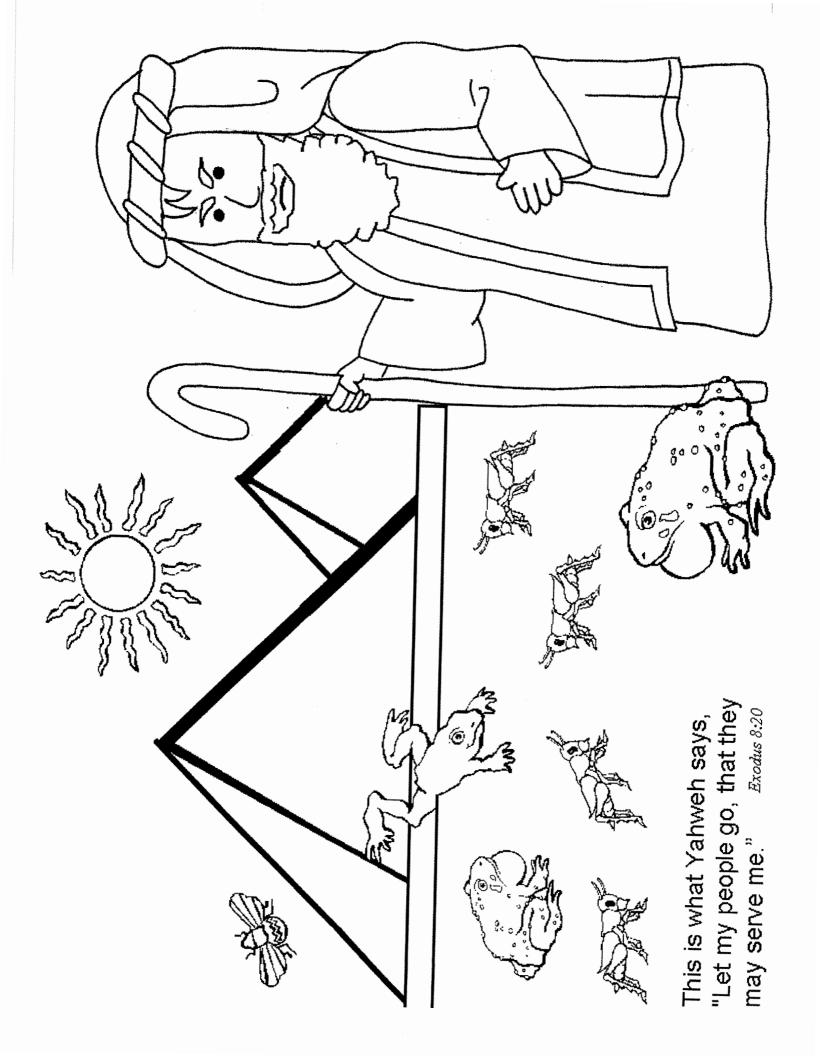


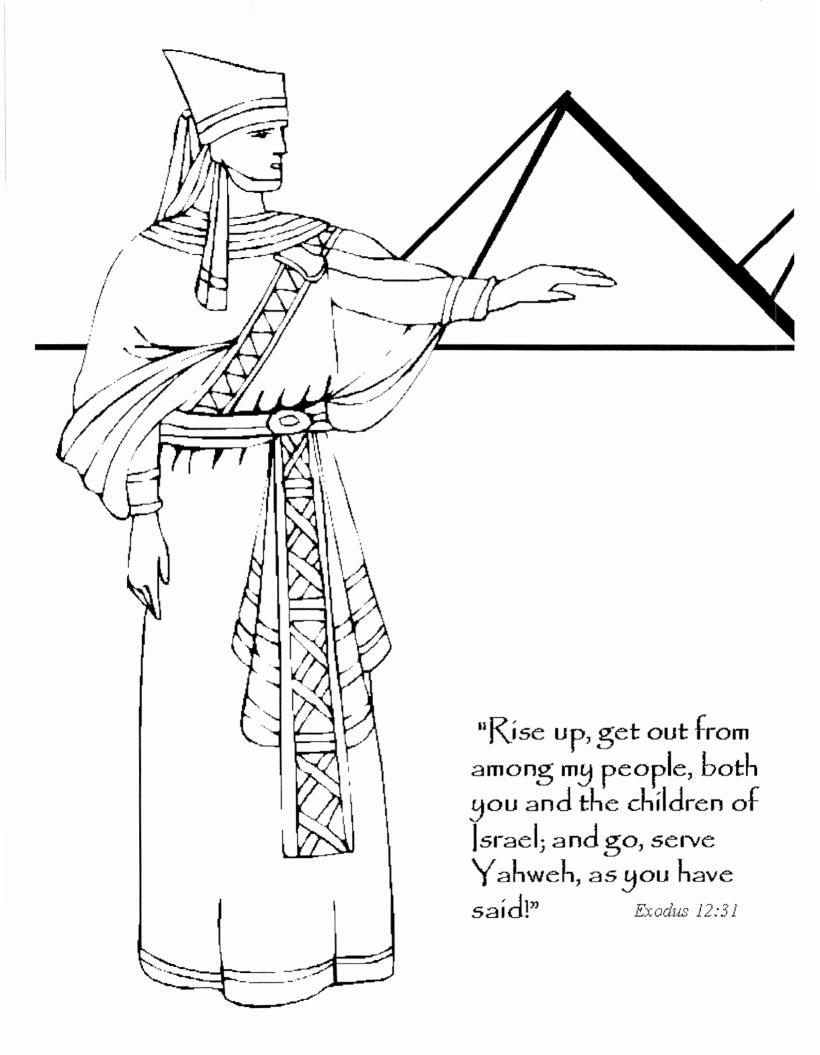
Exodus 6:6

"Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. (NKJV)

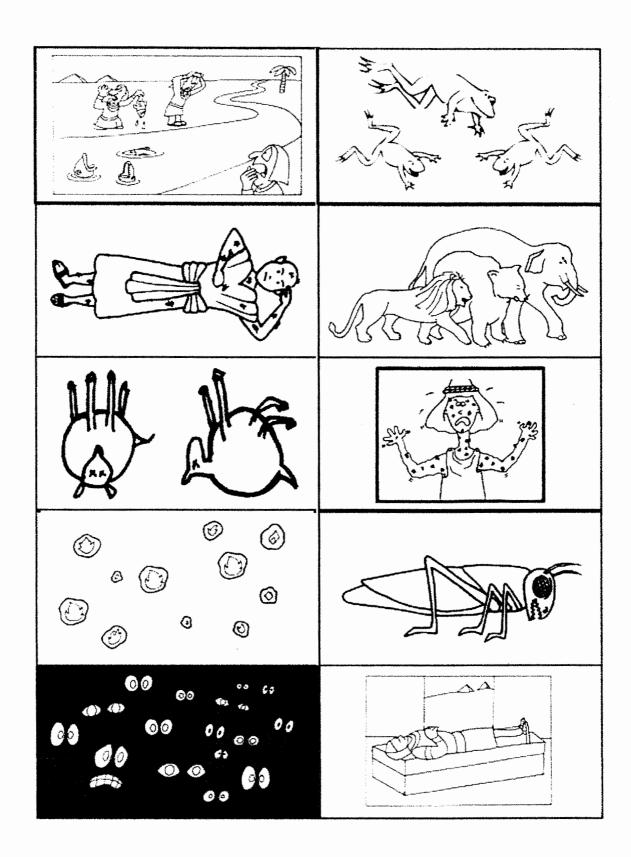


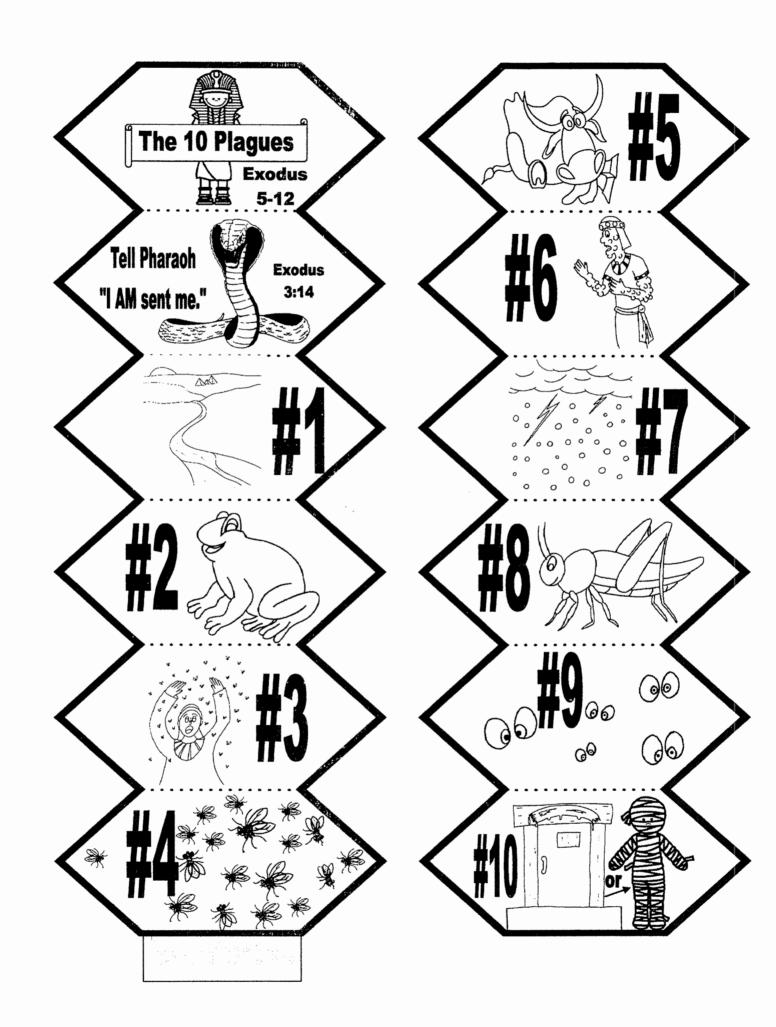
Moses told Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh refused. Then God sent terrible plagues upon the people of Egypt. Exodus 7:15–10:29













Awhy should I listen to you or to your God?" Pharaoh's angry shouts echoed through the palace. Moses and Aaron had asked if the Israelites could go for three days to worship God. But Pharaoh just made the poor slaves work harder than ever.

God told Moses He would send ten terrible troubles to Egypt so that Pharaoh would listen to God. First, the water in all the rivers was turned to blood. Second, the land was filled with frogs.

Third, the dust of the land became lice. Fourth, swarms of flies bit the Egyptians. Fifth, the cattle of the Egyptians died. Sixth, the Egyptians broke out in terrible sores.

Seventh, terrible thunderstorms came and ruined the countryside.

Eighth, thousands of locusts ate up everything that was growing.

Ninth, for three days the land of Egypt was full of darkness. Tenth, the oldest child of each family died unless

God's special mark was on the door of the house.

Each time a trouble came, Pharaoh would decide to let the Israelites go. But when God took the trouble away, Pharaoh would change his mind and make them stay. Finally, when Pharaoh's own son died, Pharaoh told the Israelites to get out of Egypt in a

Exodus 5-13

hurry.

Why did God send troubles to Egypt? Why do you sometimes have troubles or problems?

The Plague Song!

A catchy little song about the plagues of Egypt that can be sung to the tune of "This Old Man".

Hear a sample of this song or Listen to full version Music by Rich Nelson Music

Topics:

Plagues, Hardened Heart, Moses



Target Audience: Grades 2-6 (Ages 7-12)

First God sent.

Plague number one,

Turned the Nile into blood.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plaque number two.

Jumping frogs all over you.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plague number three,

Swarms of gnats from head to knee.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plaque number four,

Filthy flies need we say more?

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plague number five,

All the livestock up and died.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plague number six,

Boils and sores to make you sick.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low. They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plaque number seven.

Hail and lighting down from heaven.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low. They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plague number eight,

Locust came and they sure ate.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plaque number nine.

Total darkness all the time.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, They told Pharaoh "Let them Go!"

Then God sent,

Plague number ten,

Pharaoh's son died so he gave in.

All the people in Egypt were feeling pretty low, Finally Pharaoh let them go.

Moses and the plagues

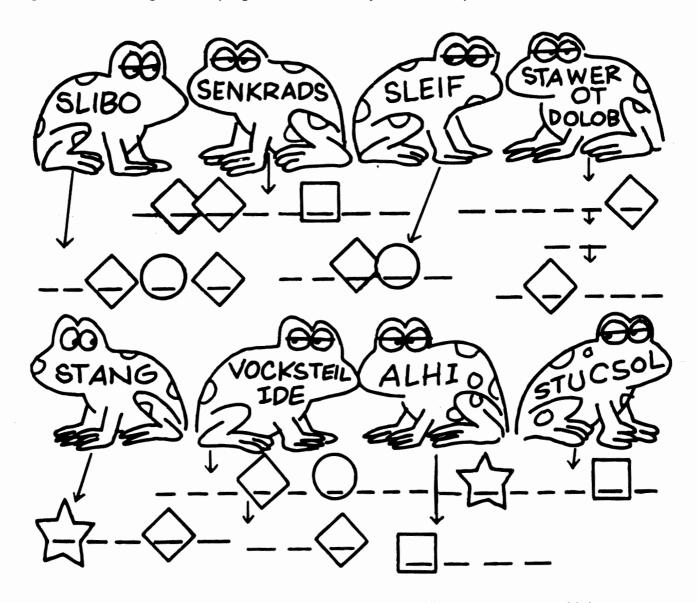
etc. The kids may want to draw pictures to help them remember the plagues ple, a red piece of paper for blood, plastic frog, fly, cow, Styrofoam ball for hail, tle items to represent the 10 plagues and place in each of the 10 cups. For exam-Cut an empty egg carton so that there are 10 cups (instead of 12). Now, find lit-

Share how God did a miracle and how it was different. (Even the water in pots watch the water turn red. Talk about how the magicians did the same thing, Put a drop of red food coloring on the end of a toothpick. Dip it in water and turned red etc.)

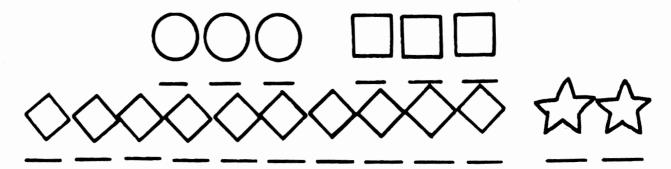
Make a booklet of the plagues or play a game about the plagues (see the attached

Scrambled Plagues

One of the ten plagues God sent to the Egyptians was frogs. Unscramble the words on the frogs to discover eight other plagues God sent. If you need help, read Exodus 7–10.



Now put each circled letter in a circle below, each letter with a square around it in a square below, and so on. Unscramble the letters to find God's message to Pharaoh.



Eat and Run

Read about God's plan to free Israel in Exodus 12:3, 7, 8, 11-14. Then connect the dots in order from 1-73 to find the Bible name for this event.

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# 12 Plagues

Exodus 7:14-12:30

- 1. Water to Blood
- 2. Frogs
- 3. Lice
- 4. Flies
- 5. Diseased Livestock
- 6. Boils
- 7. Hail
- 8. Locusts
- 9. Darkness
- 10. Death of the First Born

# The Plagues in Egypt Exodus 7

Look for the ten plagues in this pyramid. They are hidden forwards, backwards, up, down, and diagonally.

> When Moses grew up, he was chosen by God to lead the Hebrews out of slavery. God sent plagues to the land of Egypt to help Moses convince Pharaoh to free the people. You can read about it in Exodus 7-14.

# **PLAGUES**

**BLOOD FROGS GNATS** 

> **LIVESTOCK BOILS**

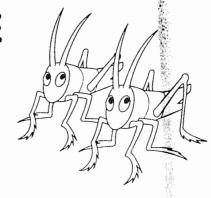
**FLIES** 

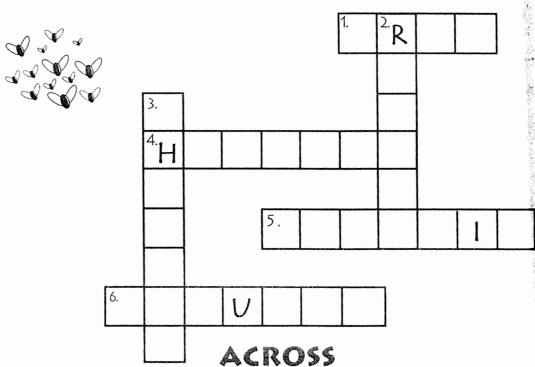
HAIL

**LOCUST DARKNESS DEATH** 

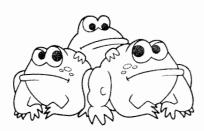
# **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

Use the clues below to solve the puzzle.





- 1. A green amphibian
- 4. A group of people who were slaves for the Egyptians
- 5. Egyptian grave for kings
- 6. One of the ten plagues



# DOWN

- 2. The sea Moses parted
- 3. Another word for king

God chose Moses to lead the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and into the land God promised Abraham. But the cruel ruler, Pharaoh, did not want the Israelite slaves to leave Egypt. God showed Pharaoh His power through miracles and ten plagues which came on the nation of Egypt.

Connect the dots to reveal two things God used to show Pharaoh His power. Then unscramble the words and write them on the lines to tell what happened.

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# The Plagues upon Egypt

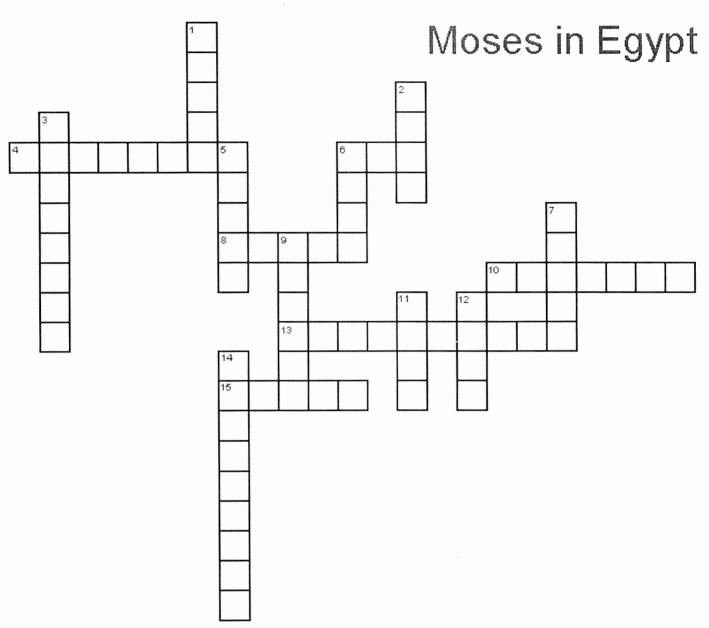
Read in Exodus 5:1
(NIV) to see what
Moses and Aaron had to
say to Pharaoh and fill in
the blanks below.

"This is what the LORD,
the God of Israel says:

Pharaoh's heart was hard and he wouldn't let the Israelites leave Egypt. So God sent plagues to convince Pharoah to let His people go. It took 10 plagues before Pharoah let them leave. Unscramble the words below to see what the plagues were.

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(EXODUS 9:1-7)	OLTSCUS
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(EXODUS 9:13-35)	ROFSBNIRT
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### Across

- 4. The Egyptians didn't need sunglasses during this plague.
- 6. How many plagues were there all together?
- 8. True or false Pharaoh never had a chance to stop the plagues?
- 10. God promised he would do this for his people.
- 13. The Israelites had to make bread quickly, what is this flat bread called?
- 15. What turned to blood in all of Egypt?

### Down

- The Egyptians had these jumping in their plates of food.
- Pharaoh died because he kept changing his _____.
- 3. What is it still called when God saw the blood on the doors?
- 5. What did Moses use to separate the Red Sea?
- 6. True or false the Israelites were safe from all the plagues?
- 7. What did the Israelites put over their doors to protect them?
- This plague is very similar to the grasshopper.
- 11. Pharaoh's heart was like a rock it was _____.
- 12. The magicians stopped this many plagues.
- 14. What did Moses' snake do to the magician's snakes?

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# (Exodus 7–12)

AARON BLOOD

LOCUSTS

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DARKNESS BOILS

DEATH

EARTH

ENCHANTMENTS **EGYPTIANS** 

**FIRSTBORN** FLAX

**FROGS** GOD

HAIL

HEBREWS HEART

MAGICIANS **PASSOVER** LORD MOSES

PHARAOH

SACRIFICES ROD

SERPENTS

SWARMS OF FLIES SMITE

**THUNDER** 

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# **Bonus Trivia**

Fill out the verse, "In thy presence —; at thy right hand —. there are pleasures for evermore." Ps. 16:11. "is fulness of joy; at thy right hand

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# THE TEN PLAGUES

(EXODUS 7:14-11:10; 12:29-30)

# **MEMORY VERSE:**

"God delivers and rescues, and He works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth." DANIEL 6:27

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

- "The LORD spoke to Moses, 'Say to Aaron, "Take your rod and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their streams, over their rivers, over their ponds, and over all their pools of water, that they may become (OIL, BLOOD)." ' " EXODUS 7:19
- "Then the LORD spoke to Moses, 'Say to Aaron, "Stretch out your hand with your rod over the streams, over the
  rivers, and over the ponds, and cause (FROGS, SNAILS) to come upon the land of Egypt." ' EXODUS 8:5
- 3. "The LORD said to Moses, 'Say to Aaron, "Stretch out your rod, and strike the dust of the land, so that it may become (LICE, MICE) throughout all the land of Egypt." ' " EXODUS 8:16
- 4. "And the LORD said to Moses, 'Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh as he comes out to the water. Then say to him, "Thus says the LORD: 'Let My people go, that they may serve Me. Or else, if you will not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of (BEES, FLIES) on you and your servants, on your people and into your houses.' " ' " EXODUS 8:20-21
- 5. "Again the LORD said, "Behold, the hand of the LORD will be on your cattle in the field, on the horses, on the onkeys, on the camels, on the oxen, and on the sheep. There will be a very severe pestilence... So the LORD did this thing on the next day, and all the (LIVESTOCK, BIRDS) of Egypt died; but of the livestock of the children of Israel, not one died." EXODUS 9:3, 6
- 6. "So the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, 'Take for yourselves handfuls of ashes from a furnace, and let Moses scatter it toward the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh. And it will become fine dust in all the land of Egypt, and it will cause (SOILS, BOILS) that break out in sores on man and beast throughout all the land of Egypt.' " EXODUS 9:8-9
- 7. Then the LORD said, "Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause very heavy (HAIL, ROCKS) to rain down, such as has not been in Egypt since its founding until now." **EXODUS 9:18**
- "Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the (BUTTERFLIES, LOCUSTS), that they may come upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land - all that the hail has left. ' " EXODUS 10:12
- "Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be (DARKNESS, LIGHT)
  over the land of Egypt.' " EXODUS 10:21
  - "AND THE LORD SAID TO MOSES, 'I WILL BRING YET ONE MORE PLAGUE ON PHARAOH AND ON EGYPT. AFTERWARD HE WILL LET YOU GO FROM HERE.' " **EXODUS 11:1** MOSES THEN EXPLAINED TO THE ELDERS OF ISRAEL, "THE LORD WILL PASS THROUGH TO STRIKE THE EGYPTIANS; AND WHEN HE SEES THE BLOOD ON THE LINTEL AND ON THE TWO DOORPOSTS, THE LORD WILL PASS OVER THE DOOR AND NOT ALLOW THE DESTROYER TO COME INTO YOUR HOUSES TO STRIKE YOU." **EXODUS. 12:23**
- "And it came to pass at midnight that the LORD struck all the (FIRSTBORN, SECONDBORN) in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of livestock." EXODUS 12:29