

Exodus Chapter 11 Commentary

Ex 11:1 ¶ "And the LORD said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether. 2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold. 3 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover, the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people."

God tells Moses to instruct Israel to borrow from the Egyptians, and to take all they are given, for they shall not see these Egyptians again. God moves the hearts of the Egyptians to give to Israel abundantly. Israel will leave Egypt with the wealth of Egypt in their possession.

Moreover, we see that Moses is not only a god to Pharaoh, but to the Egyptians. To the Israelites he is known as God's man and is highly respected by them. Who could have seen all the miraculous things, that God did through Moses, and not have great reverence and even fear of him? Israel does know that the power is from God, but they are not above making Moses into an idol.

There is a great lesson for us here in time. When God uses a minister, or a person, in a mighty way in preaching and teaching the whole truth of God, it is easy for us to make that person into an idol. When God gives us good and godly leaders in nature, we are apt to make an idol of them if not careful. May God help us to keep our eye focused on Christ Jesus and not let us fall into idolatry.

4 ¶ "And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt: 5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts. 6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it anymore. 7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel. 8 And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger."

Moses tells Pharaoh of the tenth plague, and he does so in great anger. Moses tells Pharaoh; this last plague will be so bad; Egypt and Pharaoh will, in humble resignation to the will of God, ask Israel to get out of their land. Moses tells Pharaoh; nothing, not even an animal, will try to interfere with the Israelites leaving Egypt.

9 "And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt. 10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land."

There is a great prophetic picture, in all these plagues upon Egypt, and the release of Israel from their control. It will be seen in the end of time. In Revelation, we find that in the end of time there will be many, and great, plagues and wonders performed by God upon earth. These wonders, performed by God, shall cause all people to know there is a God in Heaven, who does whatsoever he will, in heaven and earth.

Knowing these things are coming, we are to be found living in humble obedience to God and Christ. We are warned to not have and worship idols. We are instructed not to make flesh our arm. We are not to trust in our own power, nor the power of other men, but trust solely in the power of God. **Mt 28:18-20; 18 "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."** We understand all the power is in, and of, Jesus Christ. We, having Christ in us, are empowered thereby, to go forth and preach the wonders and power of God to all the world. **"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:"** We are to teach all people of the commandments of God, including our children, lest they be lifted in pride and fall under the judicial wrath of God. Help us, heavenly Father, to demonstrate to our children, and the world, by our every word and action, that we are empowered and protected by thy great power. Hallelujah! Amen!