LESSON 28

1. Why was the burning bush that Moses saw not destroyed?

-Because God was in the bush.

2. Why was God in the burning bush?

-Because God wanted to talk to Moses about the Israelites.

3. How were the Israelites like the burning bush?

-Just like the fire wanted to destroy the burning bush, Satan and Pharaoh wanted to destroy the Israelites.

-Just like God was in the burning bush, God was with the Israelites.

4. What does God’s Name “I AM” mean?

-It means that God has no beginning.

-It means that God has no end.

-It means that God has always lived.

-It means that there has never been a time when God was not alive.

5. Did God know that Pharaoh would not let the Israelites leave Egypt?

-Yes.

6. What was the first sign to show that God had chosen Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt?

-Moses staff turned into a snake, and then back into a staff.

7. What was the second sign to show that God had chosen Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt?

-Moses hand became leprous when he put his hand inside his coat, and became well again when he put his hand once more inside his coat.

8. Whom did God send to help Moses speak to Pharaoh?

-Aaron, Moses’ brother.

9. Why did God want to save the Israelites from slavery?

-Because God loved them, and He did not want them to live in slavery.

-Because God had promised Abraham that He would lead them back to the land of Canaan.

-Because God had promised Abraham that He would send the Savior through the Israelites.

-God kept His promise to Moses, and sent his brother Aaron to help Moses.

Let’s read Exodus 4:27-28

27-The LORD said to Aaron, “Go into the desert to meet Moses.” So he met Moses at the mountain of God and kissed him.

28-Then Moses told Aaron everything the LORD had sent him to say, and also about all the miraculous signs he had commanded him to perform.

-Moses and Aaron then journeyed to Egypt.

-When Moses and Aaron reached Egypt, they called the Israelites together, and told them all that God had said to Moses.

Let’s read Exodus 4:29-31

29-Moses and Aaron brought together all the elders of the Israelites,

30-and Aaron told them everything the LORD had said to Moses. He also performed the signs before the people,

31-and they believed. And when they heard that the LORD was concerned about them and had seen their misery, they bowed down and worshipped.

-Did the Israelites believe God’s Words that He had spoken to Moses?

-Yes.

-Why was it good that the Israelites believed God’s Words?

-Because only God was able to save the Israelites.

-Because only God’s Words were able to save the Israelites.

-If we do not believe God’s Words, what are we calling God?

-A liar.

-Will God save those who do not believe God’s Words?

-No.

-If we do not believe God’s Words, then we cannot be saved.

-God wants you to listen to His Words so that you will be saved.

-Only God can save us.

-Only God’s Words can save us.

-After Moses and Aaron finished speaking with the Israelites, they went to speak with Pharaoh.

Let’s read Exodus 5:1-2

1-Afterward Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and said, “This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘Let my people go, so that they may hold a festival to me in the desert.’”

2-Pharaoh said, “Who is the LORD, that I should obey him and let Israel go? I do not know the LORD and I will not let Israel go.”

-What did Pharaoh say when Moses said that the Lord was commanding him to let the Israelites go?

-Pharaoh said, “I do not know the Lord, and I will not let Israel go.”

-Why did Pharaoh not know God?

-Because Pharaoh did not want to know God.

-Because Pharaoh did not want to believe in God.

-Because Pharaoh loved his sin.

-Pharaoh and the people of Egypt did not believe in God.

-Pharaoh and the people of Egypt worshipped the large river in their land.

-Pharaoh and the people of Egypt worshipped the sun, moon, and stars as well as many animals.

-The people of Egypt also worshipped Pharaoh as their god.

-Pharaoh and the people of Egypt worshipped that which God created instead of worshipping God.

-During the time of Pharaoh, many people refused to believe the truths of God.

-Today also, many people refuse to believe the truths of God.

-Because many people refused to believe the truths of God, God allowed Satan to deceive them.

-Satan deceived the people, and they worshipped everything but God.

-Because many people refused to believe the truths of God, God chose Abraham to be the father of the Israelites.

-God chose to send the Savior through Abraham and the Israelites.

-God also chose to write His truths in His Book, which He wrote through Abraham and the Israelites.

-God’s book is called the Bible.

-Did God know that Pharaoh would not let the Israelites leave Egypt?

-Yes.

-God knows everything even before it happens.

-After Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go, listen to what God said to Moses:

Let’s read Exodus 6:1

1-Then the LORD said to Moses, “Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh: Because of my mighty hand he will let them go; because of my mighty hand, he will drive them out of his country.”

-Why did God decide to show his great power to Pharaoh and the Egyptians?

-So they would know that He alone was the true God.

-God decided to show Pharaoh and the Egyptians that the large river in their land was not God.

-God decided to show Pharaoh and the Egyptians that the sun, moon, and stars were not God.

-God decided to show Pharaoh and the Egyptians that their many animals were not God.

-God decided to show Pharaoh and the Egyptians that Pharaoh was not God.

-God also decided to show his power to the Israelites that they would know that He was their God.

Let’s read Exodus 6:2-8

2-God also said to Moses, “I am the LORD.

3-I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them.

4-I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, where they lived as aliens.

5-Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians are enslaving, and I have remembered my covenant.

6-Therefore, say to the Israelites, ‘I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment.

7-I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians.

8-And I will bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I am the LORD.’”

-God decided to show his power to the Israelites so they would know that He was the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

-God decided to show His power to the Israelites so they would know that He was their God, the God of the Israelites.

-Because Pharaoh would not let the Israelites go, God began to show His great power.

-How did God show His great power to the Egyptians and to the Israelites?

-God sent great plagues on Pharaoh and the Egyptians.

-For the first plague, God turned the water of the great river of Egypt into blood.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 7:20-21

20-Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD had commanded. Aaron raised his staff in the presence of Pharaoh and his officials and struck the water of the Nile, and all the water was changed into blood.

21-The fish in the Nile died, and the river smelled so bad that the Egyptians could not drink its water. Blood was everywhere in Egypt.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the second plague, God sent a plague of frogs.

-The land of Pharaoh and the Egyptians was covered with frogs.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 8:5-6

5-The LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron, ‘Stretch out your hand with your staff over the streams and canals and ponds, and make frogs come up on the land of Egypt.’”

6-So Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up and covered the land.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the third plague, God sent a plague of gnats.

-Pharaoh, all of the Egyptians, and all the land of Egypt were covered with gnats.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 8:16-17

16-Then the LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron, ‘Stretch out your staff and strike the dust of the ground,’ and throughout the land of Egypt the dust will become gnats.”

17-They did this, and when Aaron stretched out his hand with the staff and struck the dust of the ground, gnats came upon men and animals. All the dust throughout the land of Egypt became gnats.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the fourth plague, God sent a plague of flies.

-The land of Pharaoh and the Egyptians was covered with flies.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 8:24

24-And the LORD did this. Dense swarms of flies poured into Pharaoh’s palace and into the houses of his officials, and throughout Egypt the land was ruined by the flies.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the fifth plague, God sent a plague of death to all animals.

-All of the Egyptians’ horses, cattle, sheep, camels, and donkeys died, including Pharaoh’s.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 9:6-7

6-And the next day the Lord did it: All the livestock of the Egyptians died, but not one animal belonging to the Israelites died.

7-Pharaoh sent men to investigate and found that not even one of the animals of the Israelites had died. Yet his heart was unyielding and he would not let the people go.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the sixth plague, God sent a plague of boils.

-Pharaoh and all of the Egyptians became covered with boils.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 9:10

10-So Moses and Aaron took soot from a furnace and stood before Pharaoh. Moses tossed it into the air, and festering boils broke out on men and animals.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the seventh plague, God sent a plague of hail.

-Hail rained on all of the land of Egypt, and destroyed all of the trees and crops of Pharaoh and the Egyptians.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 9:23-26

23-When Moses stretched out his staff toward the sky, the LORD sent thunder and hail, and lightning flashed down to the ground. So the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt;

24-hail fell and lightning flashed back and forth. It was the worst storm in all the land of Egypt since it had become a nation.

25-Throughout Egypt hail struck everything in the fields--both men and animals; it beat down everything growing in the fields and stripped every tree.

26-The only place it did not hail was the land of Goshen, where the Israelites were.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the eighth plague, God sent a plague of locusts.

-Locusts ate all that was left of the trees and crops of Pharaoh and the Egyptians.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 10:13-15

13-So Moses stretched out his staff over Egypt, and the LORD made an east wind blow across the land all that day and all that night. By morning the wind had brought the locusts;

14-they invaded all Egypt and settled down in every area of the country in great numbers. Never before had there been such a plague of locusts, nor will there ever be again.

15-They covered all the ground until it was black. They devoured all that was left after the hail--everything growing in the fields and the fruit on the trees. Nothing green remained on tree or plant in all the land of Egypt.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-For the ninth plague, God sent a plague of darkness.

-Darkness covered all the land of Pharaoh and the Egyptians for three entire days.

-The plague, however, did not enter the land where the Israelites lived.

Let’s read Exodus 10:21-23

21-Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward the sky so that darkness will spread over Egypt--darkness that can be felt.”

22-So Moses stretched out his hand toward the sky, and total darkness covered all Egypt for three days.

23-No one could see anyone else or leave his place for three days. Yet all the Israelites had light in the places where they lived.

-Pharaoh begged Moses to take away the plague, and said that he would let the Israelites go.

-But when God took away the plague, Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.

-Why did the plagues not enter where the Israelites lived?

-Because God promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that

He would bless them, and make them into a great people.

-Because God was showing Pharaoh, the Egyptians, and the Israelites that He alone is God, and there is no other.

-Even after these terrible plagues, Pharaoh still refused to let the Israelites go.

-Even after these terrible plagues, Pharaoh still refused to obey God.

-Can Pharaoh fight against God and win?

-No.

-Can anyone fight against God and win?

-No.

-What will happen to those who fight against God?

-God will destroy them.

-In the next lesson, we will study the last plague.