



Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."
Romans 16:16*

Examining the Egyptian Plagues-3

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Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Zoom.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

For how many righteous people
would God had spared Sodom?

When God sent Moses to Pharaoh to call for the Israelites to be set free, He said "But I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go. So I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with wonders which I will do in its midst: and after that, he will let you go." (Ex 3:19-20) God sent ten plagues that targeted the gods of Egypt. The Egyptians worshipped over eighty gods, and the plagues chosen by God were chosen because they showed His superiority over all the gods of the Egyptians.

In the first two parts of this discussion, the first seven plagues were discussed. Now we continue:

8) Locusts- Locusts could destroy a cities food supply in a matter of minutes.

The prophet Joel describes a swarm of locusts as "an army" that devours everything in its path. (Joel 1:4, 6) The Egyptians had to wonder why Nepri, the god of grain, or Ermutet, the goddess of crops and childbirth, or Isis, Thermuthis the goddess of fertility, did not intervene in this devastation. And where was Seth, the great god of crops? Why wasn't he protecting the food of those who worshipped him?

9) Darkness- Thick darkness for three days was a direct challenge to the sun god, Amon-Ra. Ra was shown as man with a falcon's head surrounded by a solar disc who would sail across the sky in a boat each day. And there was Horus, the god of light representing the life-giving power of the sun. He also was a man with a falcon's head and was supposed to be represented by Pharaoh himself. And there was Ptah, the 'creator' of the moon and stars, and Atum another sun god, and Tem the god of sunset, and Shu the god of sunlight and air. The darkness showed the power of the Lord over all of these 'gods' of Egypt.

10) Death of the Firstborn- This affected only the firstborn males of the Egyptians, either man or animals. The firstborn was the heir, and the death of the firstborn would cripple the family both legally and emotionally. Exodus 12:12 tells us that this was directed at all the gods of Egypt - "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn--both men and animals--and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD." It showed that none of the 'gods' they relied on could protect them. Not even Pharaoh's house was exempt. This showed the failures of Renenutet, the cobra god and guardian of Pharaoh, and of Isis the fertility goddess, and Min the procreation god, and Selket the guardian of life, and at least seven others who supposedly attended to children and protected them.

It took ten plagues to convince Pharaoh to listen to the words of God and let the people go. How many things have to happen in our lives before we 'get the message' and listen to the Word of God, doing what He calls us to do. We too can find ourselves worshipping false gods. Many worship the gods of earthly power, possessions, and pleasure. Some sacrifice to the gods of money, fame, and entertainment instead of learning about the Lord who loved us enough to die for us so that we could be saved if we would only listen and obey.

What will it take to get our attention?

PRAYER LIST

*See the caring cards list in the lobby

Baby Ian

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are pleased to announce that Rhonda Kyde has placed her membership with the our congregation. We welcome her and appreciate her commitment to the Lord.

*"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."
James 5:16*

MY
GRACE
IS SUFFICIENT
FOR YOU,
FOR MY
POWER
IS MADE
PERFECT IN WEAKNESS

2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

BIRTHDAYS

- 3/7 Walker Slater
- 3/11 Echinacea Montesclaros
- 3/15 Lauren Williams
- 3/17 Johan Hartman
- 3/29 Harold Chase Bauer
- 3/30 Jennifer Meece

*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."
Matt 18:20*

3/12 UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/5 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)
- 3/10 Ladies' Class on 2nd Fridays (see Cathy for location)
- 3/12 Daylight saving time- Move your clocks forward!

ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/3 Jeff & Wrajean Nauman
- 4/8 Charlie & Barb Colvin

MEN TO SERVE

3/5

3/12

SCRIPTURE READING

	3/5	3/12
Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum
Song Leader PM	Mike Menard	John Bauer
Opening Prayer AM	Joe McCollum	Jeff McCollum
Opening Prayer PM	Ron Hartman	John Bauer
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Assistant #1	Del Pickett	Brad Rice
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Closing Prayer PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Greeters	John & Terri Bauer	Joe & Doris McCollum
(Wed.) Devotional	(3/8) On Zoom	(3/15) John Bauer
(Wed.) Song Leader	(3/8) On Zoom	(3/15) Jeff McCollum

AM

PM

March 5	Num. 34, 36	Mk. 10:32-52
March 6	Deut. 1, 2	Mk. 11:1-19
March 7	Deut. 3, 4	Mk. 11:20-33
March 8	Deut. 5- 7	Mk. 12:1-27
March 9	Deut. 8-10	Mk. 12:28-44
March 10	Deut. 11-13	Mk. 13:1-13
March 11	Deut. 14-16	Mk. 13:14-37

"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Luke 11:28

PANTRY NEEDS

TRIVIA ANSWER

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| Over the counter medicines/aspirin | Canned meats– fish, chicken & SPAM |
| Laundry detergent | Canned Veggies– greens, potatoes, etc. |
| Face soap & Shampoo | (not corn, green beans, or peas) |
| Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels | Fruit Juice– apple, grape, pineapple, etc. |
| Boxed Potatoes | Peanut butter and Jelly |
| Small- Flour and Sugar | Breakfast Cereal |

A: only 10