

Exodus 10:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

Analysis

Verse 16 describes the locust plague, targeting Osiris (agriculture god) and Isis (grain goddess). Moses warns locusts will 'cover the face of the earth' and devour everything the hail left. Pharaoh's servants beg him to relent, recognizing Egypt's destruction.

Historical Context

Osiris ruled agriculture and resurrection, while Isis protected crops. Locusts were ancient Near Eastern terror, but this swarm's density exceeded natural plague. The total devastation left Egypt economically ruined.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does God demonstrate His power through natural means taken to supernatural extremes?

2. What does Pharaoh's servants' fear teach about recognizing God's hand in judgment?

Interlinear Text

וַיֹּאמֶר וַלְאֶהָרֹן לְמֹשֶׁה לִקְרֹא אֶפְרָעָה וַיָּמָה ר
in haste **Then Pharaoh** **called** **for Moses** **and Aaron** **and he said**
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וְלָכֶם: אֱלֹהֵיכֶם לֵיהוָה הִנֵּנִי חָטָא אֲנִי
I have sinned **against the LORD** **your God** H0
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Additional Cross-References

Exodus 9:27 (Sin): And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.