

# Exodus 10:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?

## Analysis

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Verse 7 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

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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

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**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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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

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וַיֹּאמְרוּ	עֲבָדַי	פַּרְעֹה	עַד אֶל יוֹ	מִתִּי	יְהוָה	הָ	
said	servants	And Pharaoh's	H413	H5704	H4970	H1961	H2088
H559	H5650	H6547					
לְנוֹ		לְמוֹקֶשׁ			הָ	אֲנִשׁ יָם	אֶת שַׁלַּח
H0	unto him	How long shall this man be a snare		go	H853	H376	
		H4170		H7971			
וַיַּעֲבֹד וְ	אֶת	יְהוָה	אֱלֹהֵיהֶם	הָטָרָם	תֵּדַע	כִּי	
that they may serve	H853	the LORD	their God	thou not yet	knowest	H3588	
H5647		H3068	H430	H2962	H3045		
אֲבֹד הָ	מִצְרַיִם:						
s destroyed	that Egypt						
H6	H4714						

## Additional Cross-References

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**Ecclesiastes 7:26** (References God): And I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart is snares and nets, and her hands as bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her.

**Exodus 23:33** (References God): They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

**Joshua 23:13** (References God): Know for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out any of these nations from before you; but they shall be snares

and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

**1 Samuel 18:21** (Parallel theme): And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in the one of the twain.

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