

# 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

**Psalm 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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זֶה	יְהִי	הַמְּתִינִי	זֶה	יְאָמְרָה			
say	servants	And Pharaoh's	יְהִי	עֲבָדָךְ	פְּרָעָה	עַד	אֵלֶיךָ
H559	H5650	H6547	H413	H5704	H4970	H1961	H2088
לְכָה		לְמַזְקָן	שָׁ				
unto him		How long	shall this man	be a snare	go	at	shallow
H0		H4170			H7971		H376
כִּי	תִּדְעֶן	עַ	בְּ	אֱלֹהִים	מִ	אָתָּה	יְעַבְּדָה
that they may serve	H853	the LORD	H3068	their God	H430	H2962	H3588
H5647							
מִצְרַיִם	אָבֶד	הָ					
is 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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