

Exodus 11:8

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.

Analysis

Verse 8 describes Moses's final warning about midnight judgment. God Himself will pass through Egypt, striking every firstborn from Pharaoh's throne to the prisoner in the dungeon, and even livestock firstborn. This universal judgment spares none, revealing sin's comprehensive curse.

Historical Context

The midnight hour emphasizes God's sovereign timing and judgment coming in darkness. The scope—from royal palace to prison to barn—demonstrates no earthly status protects from divine judgment. Only the Passover blood will shield.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does the universality of this judgment foreshadow universal human sinfulness?
2. What does the need for blood protection teach about the coming gospel?

Interlinear Text

וַיֵּרֶד וְ	כָּל	עַבְדֶּיךָ	אֵלַי אֵלֶּה	אֵלַי י		
shall come down	H3605	And all these thy servants	H428	H413		
H3381		H5650				
וְהִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ	לִי	לְאִמְרָם	וַיֵּצֵא אֶתְּ	אֶתְּהָ		
unto me and bow down	H0	themselves unto me saying	And he went out	H859		
H7812		H559	H3318			
וְכָל	הָעָם	אֲשֶׁר	בִּבְגָלָיִךְ	וְאַחֲרָיִ	כֵּן	וַיֵּצֵא אֶתְּ
H3605	and all the people	H834	that follow	thee and after	H3651	And he went out
	H5971		H7272	H310		H3318
וַיֵּצֵא אֶתְּ	מֵעַם	פַּרְעֹה	בְּחִרְיָ	אָף:		
And he went out	H5973	from Pharaoh	in a great	anger		
H3318		H6547	H2750	H639		

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 3:14 (Parallel theme): So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

Daniel 3:19 (Parallel theme): Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.