

Exodus 7:25

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

Analysis

Verse 25 in the first plague narrative describes the Nile turning to blood. This targets Hapi, Egyptian god of the Nile, demonstrating YHWH's supremacy over Egypt's life source. The water that sustains Egypt becomes death, reversing the blessing.

Historical Context

The Nile was Egypt's lifeline, worshipped as divine. Hapi's annual flood determined Egypt's prosperity. The plague striking Egypt's water supply while Goshen remained unaffected (8:22-23) demonstrates selective judgment.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does this plague reveal God's sovereignty over creation and false gods?
2. What modern 'life sources' do people trust instead of God?

Interlinear Text

אָתָּה יְהוָה הַכֹּהֵן
that the LORD the priest
had smitten after seven days
that seven days had passed
and seven days were fulfilled

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הַיָּה
the river

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