

Exodus 8:3

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs:

Analysis

Verse 3 describes the plague of frogs, targeting Heqet, Egyptian goddess of fertility portrayed as frog-headed. Frogs filled houses, bedrooms, ovens, and kneading bowls—contaminating private and sacred spaces. What Egypt worshipped became its torment.

Historical Context

Heqet assisted in childbirth and symbolized life and fertility. Frogs were sacred, making them untouchable. The plague forced Egyptians to encounter their goddess everywhere, yet powerless and disgusting.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How does God expose the impotence of idols you've trusted?
2. What happens when blessings become curses through misplaced worship?

Interlinear Text

וְשָׁבַץ abundantly H8317	וְהַיָּאֵר And the river H2975	צְפַרְדֵּי עֵיִם frogs H6854	וְעָלוּ which shall go up H5927	וְבָאוּ and come H935
וְבֵית and into the house H1004	וְבֵיתֶיךָ and into thy bedchamber H2315	מִשְׁכְּבֶךָ H4904	וְעַל H5921	מִטֶּתְךָ and upon thy bed H4296
וְבֵית and into the house H1004	עַבְדֶּיךָ of thy servants H5650	וְבָעָמָךְ and upon thy people H5971	וְבִתְנוֹרֶיךָ and into thine ovens H8574	
וּבְמִשְׁאָרוֹתֶיךָ and into thy kneadingtroughs H4863				

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 105:30 (Parallel theme): Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.