

Exodus 8:31

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

Analysis

Verse 31 describes the plague of flies (אַרֹב, arov—swarms), with crucial distinction: Goshen is protected. God says 'I will sever... the land of Goshen' (v.22), demonstrating selective judgment. This plague may target Khepri, scarab beetle god representing resurrection and transformation.

Historical Context

Khepri, the scarab-headed god, symbolized the rising sun and transformation. The distinction between Egypt and Goshen shows this is not natural disaster but divine judgment. God's protection of His people proves His sovereignty.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does God's protection of His people encourage you in judgment?
2. What does the Egypt-Goshen distinction teach about being 'in the world but not of it'?

Interlinear Text

וַיַּעַשׂ	יְהוָה	כַּדְּבָר	מֹשֶׁה	וַיִּסַּר	
did	And the LORD	according to the word	of Moses	and he removed	
H6213	H3068	H1697	H4872	H5493	
הָעֲרֹב	מִפְּרִעַי	מֵעַבְדֵי יוֹ	וּמֵעַמּוֹ	לְאָ	
the swarms	of flies from Pharaoh	from his servants	and from his people		H3808
H6157	H6547	H5650	H5971		
נִשְׁאַר	אֶחָד:				
there remained	not one				
H7604	H259				

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