

Exodus 8:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt;
and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

Analysis

Verse 6 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

1 John 4:8 — God is love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

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

וַיִּט	אֶהְרֹן	אֶת	יָדוֹ	עַל	מֵי־יַם	מִצְרַיִם:
stretched out	And Aaron	H853	his hand	H5921	over the waters	of Egypt
H5186	H175		H3027		H4325	H4714
וַתֵּלַע	הַצִּפְרִידִּים	וַתִּכֶּס	אֶת	אֶרֶץ	מִצְרַיִם:	
came up	and the frogs	and covered	H853	the land	of Egypt	
H5927	H6854	H3680		H776	H4714	

Additional Cross-References

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

Psalms 78:45 (Parallel theme): He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them.