

# Exodus 8:9

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, that they may remain in the river only?

## Analysis

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Verse 9 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

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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

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**James 2:17** — Faith and works

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

## Study Questions

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

## Interlinear Text

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לִמְתָּה יְהוָה אָמַר  
when I said  
H5921 over me when  
H4970

לְעַמְךָ לְעַמְךָ לְעַמְךָ  
to destroy to destroy to destroy  
H3772 H5971 H5971  
לְעַמְךָ יְהוָה אֲשֶׁר יְרַא  
for thy people for thee and for thy servants  
H5650 H6547 H6286  
שְׁאֵלָה יְהוָה אֲשֶׁר יְרַא  
shall I intreat for thee and for thy servants  
H6279 H6547 H6286

בְּרִיאָה בְּרִיאָה  
in the river in the river  
H2975 H7535 H5650  
מִמְּבַת יְהוָה מִמְּבַת יְהוָה  
from thee and thy houses from thee and thy houses  
H1004 H4480 H6854

תִּשְׁאִרְנָה:  
that they may remain  
H7604

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