

Exodus 9:34

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

Analysis

Verse 34 describes the plague of hail with fire, targeting Nut (sky goddess) and Seth (storm god). This unprecedented storm combines hail and fire, destroying crops and livestock left in fields. God reveals 'there is none like me in all the earth' (v.14).

Historical Context

Nut, sky goddess, arched over earth as protective dome. Seth controlled storms and chaos. The storm's supernatural nature—fire and ice together—proves divine origin. Only those who 'feared the word of the LORD' (v.20) saved their livestock.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does God use creation to reveal His power?
2. What does the response of God-fearing Egyptians (v.20) teach about individual faith?

Interlinear Text

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and the thunders yet more he sinned and hardened his heart H1931

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he and his servants H5650

Additional Cross-References

Exodus 7:14 (Parallel theme): And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.

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