

“ONE MORE NIGHT WITH THE FROGS!”

Thanks to my brother, Charles, for the title!

TEXT: Exodus 8: 1-15

NOTE: All the plagues were the judgement of God on the false idols of Egypt.

1. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FROGS:

The mythical Egyptian goddess “*Heket*” was depicted in the form of a woman’s body with the head of a frog, and was believed to have the power of fertility, breathing into lumps of clay the “*breathe of life.*” God’s judgement was a repudiation of this, since He alone is the Giver and Sustainer of life!

2. WHO WOULD TOLERATE HIS OWN MAGICIANS MAKING MORE FROGS?

- A. In Egypt, frogs were sacred... their misery was weighed against this.
- B. Why didn’t Pharaoh order them to make the frogs vanish? They were choking on their superstitions!

3. WHY WOULD THE KING WANT ANOTHER NIGHT WITH THE FROGS?

- A. Sin blinds the eyes, mind and heart; anything but God’s will!
- B. Pharaoh mistook God’s long-suffering for weakness.
- C. He refused to listen to God - the hardening of his heart (Exodus 5: 2, 9: 34)
 - 1. His heart was hardened by God ten times.
 - 2. He hardened his own heart nine times.
- D. He rejected the counsel of his own advisers!
- E. He rejected repeated offers by Moses. He must bear all responsibility himself!
- F. Nothing left now but God’s sure judgement. The full measure!

CONCLUSION: A man who says *no!* to the Lord repeatedly will reap what he sows! (Galatians 6: 7, Proverbs 29: 1) There will be nobody to blame but himself.