#### SERMON HANDOUT for July 13, 2025



# WHY YOU DON'T WANT TO WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW

Exodus 8:1-10, 14-15 NKJV

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# INTRODUCTION

Four centuries, children of Israel endured brutal bondage

- Slaves to the Egyptians
- Their cries of desperation reached the LORD.
- LORD raised up a deliverer
- Moses 1st attempt to liberate his people ended in trouble.

40 long years later:

- God met him at the burning bush
- Commissioned him to return to Egypt
- Under divine orders
- Imbued with God's own power
- To deliver His people

Moses, though initially reluctant, returned to Pharaoh with God's command:

- "Let my people go!"
- Pharaoh, hardened of heart, basically said, no.

Then God began a series of 10 devastating plagues:

• Each designed to break Pharaoh's will

Each designed secure the Israelites' freedom

God Unleashes 10 Plagues to Judge Egypt to:

- Demonstrating His Power Exodus 7:5 NKJV
- Judgment for Oppression Exodus 6:6 NKJV
- Fulfilling Prophecy Genesis 15:13-14 NKJV

Why did God need to show His power???

Because the Egyptians worshipped many so-called gods who they thought had power!

10 Plagues to Judge Egypt:

- **Plague 1**, judgment against the so-called god and goddess of the Nile, along with the guardian of the Nile.
- Plague 2, judgment against, so-called frog headed goddess of birth
- Plague 3, judgment against, the so-called god of the dessert
- Plague 4, judgment against, so-called goddess associated with Nile Delta, marshes, and heat of the sun
- Plague 5, judgment against, the so-called god who was depicted as cattle.
- **Plague 6**, judgment against, the so-called god associated with health
- Plague 7, judgment against the so-called goddess of the sky
- Plague 8, judgment against the so-called god of fertility, agriculture, and the afterlife
- Plague 9, judgment against the so-called sun god who was the god of light
- **Plague 10**, judgment against the god pharaoh and Isis the protector of children

As you can clearly see, the LORD wasn't performing some random acts of power. His ultimate goal was to unequivocally show the Egyptians—and all of history—who was truly God.

## SCRIPTURE: Exodus 8:1-10; 14-15 NKJV

Frogs – In Scripture, particularly in the Book of Revelation:

- Primarily symbolize uncleanness, deception, and spiritual impurity.
- Consistently associated with plagues, demonic forces,
- Even the unholy trinity of the dragon, beast, and false prophet.

The frog's association with uncleanness and impurity is consistent:

- Both the Old and New Testaments
- Often used as a symbol of spiritual corruption and the influence of evil forces

In our context today, these frogs are powerfully likened to sin.

#### 4 REASONS WHY YOU DON'T WANT TO WAIT TIL TOMORROW FOR GOD TO REMOVE SIN IN YOUR LIFE:

1) SIN

EVERY PART OF YOUR LIFE – Exodus 8:3-4 NKJV

*There is no untouched corner.* These frogs were everywhere.

As frogs saturated every aspect of Egyptian life, Sin (*if allowed to fester*) will saturate every part of your life:

- Your houses: *Your Thoughts*
- Your bedroom: *Your Emotions*
- Into your ovens, and into your kneading bowls: *Your Actions*
- Your servants, on your people: Your Relationships
- On your bed: *Your Spirit*

## 2) SIN MAKES YOU

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Egypt was already overrun with frogs.

- Houses, beds, ovens, and even their bodies were covered in the slimy, hopping pests.
- And what do these supposed wise men do?
- They used their power, their enchantments, to bring more frogs!

Consider these examples:

Deaf robber, Unmasked Marker, Stupid was here, Carjack can't drive, Clown prince of thieves

Here's how sin "makes you stupid" by:,

- a) Distorting your thoughts and actions
- b) Polluted Perspectives
- c) Rationalizing the Irrational
- d) Obsession and Enticement

3) SIN MAKES YOUR LIFE – Exodus 8:14 NKJV

Four Consequences show how Sin makes life stink:

- a) The deceptive fun for a season
- b) The inevitable decay and odor
- c) The piles of offense
- d) Divine disfavor

#### 4) SIN MAKES YOUR HEART – Exodus 8:10, 15 NKJV

a) Sin *Scams* 

To wait until tomorrow for God to remove sin is to risk this very hardening.

- Gambling with your eternal destiny
- Pushing God's patience and slowly, subtly
- Sealing yourself off from the very transformation you desperately need

Do you want to face a day when your heart is so stout that you can:

- No longer hear His call, feel His loving correction, desire to turn from the sin that binds you
- b) Sin *Saturates* 
  - Its pervasive nature destroys every area of your life and the lives of those around you.
  - There is no untouched corner.
- c) Sin *Stupefies* its ability to cloud judgment **blinds** you to reality
- d) Sin *Stanks* its foul stench on your life creates painful consequences beyond the initial fun
- e) Sin *Stouts* the most dangerous and subtle effect, its ability to make your heart hard and keep you on a stubborn path to destruction.