

EXODUS 7; February 26; First Miracle & First plague

ANALYSIS:

1. The LORD told Moses, "I have made thee a god to Pharaoh," (v 1) by which He means:
(a) Moses can expect Pharaoh to worship him, (b) Moses will represent God to Pharaoh,
(c) Moses will speak for God, (d) Moses will look like God, (e) Moses will do miracles in God's name, (f) Moses will bring God's judgment, (g) Moses will reveal God's greatness to the Egyptians. [Pick the answers you believe are true]
2. The first miracle Moses shows to Pharaoh was _____, and was done when Pharaoh said _____.
3. While Pharaoh's magicians duplicated Moses' first miracle, how did the LORD surprise and surpass them? _____
4. The first plague turned the water of Egypt to blood in _____, _____, _____ and in vessels of _____ & _____.
5. Name at least five results of the first plague.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Although God allows manifestations of evil supernaturalism, as the magicians turning their rods into serpents and water into blood, their power is Divinely limited and notably inferior to the LORD as seen when Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. Remember Jesus healed many a devil possessed person. Jesus always had and has absolute authority over one or many devils. Jesus healed many (Mt 4:24; 8:16); a dumb man possessed with a devil (Mt 9:32-33); two men living in the tombs (Mt 8:28-34). Nothing is too hard for our Lord Jesus Christ (Mt 15:30-31)!

We are to have no contact with the devil and his unclean spirits. Today there are increasing forms of the occult which we totally avoid: horoscopes, fortune cookies, Harry Potter, spiritism, mediums, witches & wizards, ouija boards to name a few. Should we face what appears evil supernaturalism in a person, let us remember and heed our Lord's word, "This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting" Mk 9:29.

HELP:

1. My opinion is: b, c, e, f, g.
2. Rod to serpent. Shew a miracle for you (v 9).
3. Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods (v 12).
4. Streams, rivers, ponds, pools, and wood, stone (v 19).
5. The magicians did the same, Pharaoh's heart was hardened, Pharaoh did not release Israel, all waters turned to blood, fish in the river died, the river stank, Egyptians could not drink the water of the river, they dug about the river for water (vs 20-24).