

Exo 10 *bo* Come

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Introduction

Tzur Yisrael Triennial Parasha [56](#) (#15.1): *bo* come, note ^A

Exodus chapter 10 ^{Verses 1-29}

Plagues of Locusts and Darkness

God threatens to send locusts

¹ And YHVH said unto Moses,

“Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might show these my signs (אֲתֵתִי ^{o· to· Tai}) before him: ² And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, אֵת what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I am YHVH.” ^B [Deu 6:20-22; Joel 1:3]

³ And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him,

“Thus saith YHVH God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me. ⁴ Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will I bring the locusts (אֲרֵבָה ^{ar· Beh}) ^C into thy coast (בְּגַבְלֶךָ ^{H1366 big· vu· Le· cha}): ⁵ And they shall cover the face of

^A Ahavta <http://www.ahavta.org/Commentary%20Y-2/Y2-01.htm>. Standalone Aleph Tav: Exo 10:2, Exo 10:12

Living Messiah Oct 1; Exodus 10:1 - 12:12, Haftorah: Isaiah 19:1-17, Brit: John 1:29-34

Tzur Yisrael: Haftorah: 1Sa 6:6; Isa 19:1; Brit: Mat 24:29-44, Mat 25:31, Mat 26:30

^B Repetitions reminding you of your Elohim is good. A great verse defending the idea that we should be telling the Passover from one generation to another, which fits in well with the Fourth of July “American Passover”. Moshe’s target audience many generations in the future.

^C **H697** אֲרֵבָה *arbeh* ^{KJC:24} From H7235; a locust (from its rapid increase): - grasshopper, locust. LXX: **G200** *akris*

G200 ἀκρίς *akris* ^{KJC:4} locusts, 4 Mat 3:4, Mar 1:6, Rev 9:3, 7

the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth (**הָאָרֶץ** ^{ha. 'A. retz}): and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field: ⁶ And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day.”

And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

Pharaoh, moved by his servants, inclines to let the Israelites go

⁷ And Pharaoh's servants said unto him,

“How long shall this man ^D be a snare (**לְמוֹקֵשׁ** ^{le. mo. Kesh}) ^E unto us? let the men go, that they may serve YHVH their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?”

⁸ And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them,

“Go, serve YHVH your God: but who are they that shall go?” ^F

⁹ And Moses said,

“We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto YHVH.” ^G

¹⁰ And he said unto them,

“Let YHVH be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you.” ^H

¹¹ Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve YHVH; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.”

The plague of the locusts

¹² And YHVH said unto Moses,

^D **this man**. Hebrew this one. No word for man here in Hebrew text. ^{Source CB Notes}.

^E first occurrence of this word. **H4170** מִקֵּשׁ / מוֹקֵשׁ *moqesh*; ^{KJC:27}, Other uses in the Torah Exo 10:7, Exo 23:33, Exo 34:12, Deu 7:16

Interesting contrast. I could imagine the Israelites response “Say what? We’re ensnaring you!” Black! Said the kettle to the pot.

^F The Pharaoh is still trying to have some control over the situation by trying to dictate who will go into the wilderness to make a sacrifice to YHVH.

^G I would say that this revolves around property rights which are a fundamental element to contract / covenant with. Everybody and everything that a priest of the family can have is going on this journey ... DEAL WITH IT Pharaoh!

^H It’s really heartening that Pharaoh is so concerned with the children of Israel...Maybe I’ve miss-judged Mr. Pharaoh.

On another note, is Pharaoh planting a seed about bringing up the little ones? I say this because this is what got Israel in big trouble with Elohim i.e. it was the fear of Israel that their children and wives will die and YHVH will not protect them.

Num 14:2-3 ² And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! ³ And wherefore hath YHVH brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

“Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, אֶת even all that the hail hath left.”

13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and YHVH brought an east (קָדִים ^{ka·Dim}) wind [Hos 12:1; Hos 13:15] upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. **14** And the locust went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. **15** For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened (וַתְּחַשְׁךָ ^{vat·tech·Shach}); and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt. [Rev 8:7, Rev 9:4]

Pharaoh entertains Moses

16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said,

“I have sinned against YHVH your God, and against you. [Exo 9:27] **17** Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and entreat (וְהִעֲתִירוּ ^{ve·ha·Ti·ru})^I YHVH your God, that he may take away from me this death only.”

18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated YHVH. **19** And YHVH turned a mighty strong west (יָם ^{yam}) wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red (סוּף ^{Suf}) sea (יַמַּה ^{Yam·mah}); there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt. **20** But YHVH hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

The plague of darkness

21 And YHVH said unto Moses,

“Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness (חֹשֶׁךְ ^{Cho·shech}) which may be felt.”

22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three ³ days:^J **23** They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three ³ days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

Pharaoh again entertains Moses, but yet is hardened

^I athar **H6279** ^{KJC:20} עָתָר see Word-Study-G4336-proseuchomai-pray, article #507.

Entreat(d), 18 Gen 25:21 (2), Exo 8: 8-9, 29, 30; 9:28; 10:18,17 , Jdg 13:8, 2Sa 21:14, 2Sa 24:25, 1Ch 5:20, 2Ch 33:13, 2Ch 33:19, Ezr 8:23, Isa 19:22

prayer, 1 Job 22:26-27, 33:26

^J This reminds me of these words from the Messiah.

Mat 12:39-40 ³⁹ But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: ⁴⁰ For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Also interesting that 3 days is the request for going into the wilderness to do the sacrifice to YHVH.

24 And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said,

“Go ye, serve YHVH; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you.”^K

25 And Moses said,

“Thou must give us^L also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto YHVH our God. **26** Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve YHVH our God; and we know not with what we must serve YHVH, until we come thither.”^M

27 But YHVH hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said unto him,

“Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die.”

29 And Moses said,

“Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.”

E-Sword Notes

Exo 10:2 HSB5 – Standalone Aleph Tav

vin· Cha of thy son **בְּנֵךְ** be· 'a· ze· Nei in the ears **בְּאָזְנֵי** te· sap· Per And that thou mayest tell **תִּסְפֹּר** u· le· Ma· 'an because of **וּלְמַעַן**
 hit· 'al· Lal· ti what things I have **הַתְּעַלְלֹתַי** a· Sher and how' **אֵשֶׁר** et' **אֵת** bin· Cha, son **בְּנֵךְ** u· ven- and of thy son's **וּבֶן־**
 a· Sher- and how' **אֵשֶׁר־** o· to· Tai and my signs' **אֹתַי** ve· 'Et **וְאֵת־** be· mitz· Ra· yim, in Egypt **בְּמִצְרַיִם** wrought
 a· Ni I am' **אֲנִי** ki- that **כִּי־** vi· da· Tem among them that ye may know **וַיִּדְעֹתָם** ; Vam **בָּם** Sam· ti which I have done **שְׁמַתִּי**
 Yah· weh. how that I [am] the LORD **יְהוָה**

Exo 10:12 HSB5 – Standalone Aleph Tav

ne· Teh Stretch out **נֹטָה** mo· Sheh, unto Moses **מֹשֶׁה** el- to' **אֶל־** Yah· weh And the LORD **יְהוָה** vai· Yo· mer said **וַיֹּאמֶר**
 mitz· Ra· yim of Egypt **מִצְרַיִם** E· retz over the land' **אֶרֶץ** al- over' **עַל־** ya· de· Cha thine hand **יָדְךָ**
 E· retz upon the land' **אֶרֶץ** al- over' **עַל־** ve· Ya· 'al that they may come up **וַיַּעַל** ba· 'ar· Beh, for the locusts **בְּאַרְבֶּה**
 E· sev every herb' **עֵשֶׂב** kol- every **כָּל־** 'et' **אֶת־** ve· yo· Chal and eat **וַיֹּאכַל** mitz· Ra· yim; of Egypt **מִצְרַיִם**
 hish· 'Ir hath left **הַשְּׂאִיר** a· Sher after' **אֵשֶׁר** kol- all **כָּל־** et' **אֵת** ha· 'A· retz, of the land **הָאֶרֶץ**
 hab· ba· Rad. [even] all that the hail **הַבָּרָד**

^K Still trying to have some control over the situation and inject and dictate some of his terms into the final agreements.

^L This suggests strongly that Pharaoh has the title to the property. Moshe must honor the law, so he has to go to him to release his claim.

^M The ramification of how this is worded is that 100% of their property must be is transferred to Israel. If Pharaoh relents, he loses all control over Israel. So I say again, how important is property rights, and notice how these rights are directly related to YHVH. It sheds a new light on CGUR (Creator Given Unalienable Rights).

Isa 19:1-11 – The Confusion of Egypt

The confusion of Egypt

¹The burden of Egypt. Behold, YHVH rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it. ²And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, and kingdom against kingdom. ³And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards. ⁴And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord (**הָאֲדֹנָי** ^{ha·'a·Don}), YHVH (**יְהוָה** ^{Yah·weh}) of hosts (**צְבָאוֹת** ^{tze·va·'ot}). ⁵And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up. ⁶And they shall turn the rivers far away; and the brooks of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither. ⁷The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, and be no more. ⁸The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish. ⁹Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that weave networks, shall be confounded. ¹⁰And they shall be broken in the purposes thereof, all that make sluices and ponds for fish. ^N

The foolishness of their princes

¹¹Surely the princes of Zoan are fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings? ¹²Where are they? where are thy wise men? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what YHVH of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt. ¹³The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof. ¹⁴YHVH hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man staggereth in his vomit. ¹⁵Neither shall there be any work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do. ¹⁶In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of YHVH of hosts, which he shaketh over it. ¹⁷And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of YHVH of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

^N "Israel ... recognizes that the [Aswan Dam](#) is Egypt's Damoclean Sword," writes Wheeler. "There is no possibility whatever of Egypt's winning a war with Israel, for if Aswan is blown, all of inhabited Egypt is under 20 feet of water. Once the Israelis made this clear to the Egyptians, the possibility of any future Egyptian attack on Israel like that of 1948, 1967, and 1972 is gone." World Net Daily 1/7/2005

[Lake Nasser](#). For more see pages 4 and 5 this [PDF](#).

John 1:29-34 –

²⁹ The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me. ³¹ And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. ³² And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. ³³ And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. ³⁴ And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.