

# No More Mr. Nice Guy

## Exodus Chapter 11

Verse 1-8 is a continuation of the conversation that chapter 10 ended with. Moses had not left Pharaoh's presence yet. The chapter break, which is not divinely inspired, makes us think another day or week later. Verse 1-3 is a conversation between God and Moses. Verses 4-10 is between Moses and Pharaoh.

### Exd 11:1 1) The Last Plague vs 1 - 3

Now the LORD said to Moses, "One more plague I will bring on Pharaoh and on Egypt; after that he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will surely drive you out from here completely.

- *God will cause the Egyptians to DRIVE the Children of Israel from the land. This driving is a show of how earnestly they will want the Children of Israel to be out of Egypt. This will be quite a change from where Pharaoh's heart is currently.*
- *One more plague - This one more thing will be so severe that it will cause a dramatic change in the heart of Pharaoh and all of Egypt. How many of us had to get to "One More Plague" before we changed. Imagine what could have been spared had Egypt been repentant and humble before God. What will be spared if we repent and humble ourselves right now before God.*

Exd 11:2 "Speak now in the hearing of the people that each man ask from his neighbor and each woman from her neighbor for articles of silver and articles of gold."

Exd 11:3 The LORD gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Furthermore, the man Moses {himself} was greatly esteemed in the land of Egypt, {both} in the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight of the people.

- *Moses was Esteemed and the People had Favor.*
- *James 4:10 "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord and He will lift you up"*
- *Luke 18:9-14 "And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:  
Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men [are], extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.*

*And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as [his] eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified [rather] than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."*

- *Pharaoh and Moses are a great example of this truth and promise of Jesus.*
  - *Pharaoh Exalted Himself Exodus 9:17*
  - *Pharaoh Refused to humble himself Exodus 10:3*
  - *Moses is described as humble: Numbers 12:3, which reads: "Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth."*
  - *Moses' refusal to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter and his choice to suffer affliction with the people of God establishes the fact that he greatly loved his brethren Hebrews 11:23-27*
  - *His attempt to be excused from the leadership of his people proves that he was a man of humbleness of mind Exodus 3:7-22; Exodus 4:1-13*
  - *Exodus 11:3 Moses is greatly esteemed by the Egyptians*

### Exd 11:4 2) Last Warning with Only One Way of Escape vs 4 - 10

Moses said, "Thus says the LORD, 'About midnight I am going out into the midst of Egypt,

Exd 11:5 and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of the Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the slave girl who is behind the millstones; all the firstborn of the cattle as well.

- *Moses knew that this interaction between God and Pharaoh would intensify to the point of the death of the first born before this all started. Back before Moses and Zipporah had the discussion about circumcising their sons, God told Moses that the death of the first born would happen before Pharaoh let the people go. (Exodus 4:21-23)*

- *First born IN THE LAND of Egypt vs first born in Egypt - The scope is greater than just the Egyptians. It includes the captive slaves from other nations and it also extends to the animals and I am it also will extend to the Children of Israel.*

Exd 11:6 *Moreover, there shall be a great cry in all the land of Egypt, such as there has not been {before} and such as shall never be again.*

Exd 11:7 *'But against any of the sons of Israel a dog will not {even} bark, whether against man or beast, that you may understand how the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel.'*

- *There will be a great sorrow in Egypt. This will be the worst time in all history for Egypt.*
- *But for Israel, no one will speak against Israel. Not even the dogs.*
- *Why? So that Egypt will know HOW God makes a distinction between Israel and all other nations.*
  - *That distinction is made by the blood of a lamb. That would be slaughter and the blood spread their on their door posts. It was the blood of a lamb that made the difference in their lives.*
  - *You cannot help but realize the difference or the distinction in the lives of the believer of the Lamb of God. For this distinction is only by the blood of The Lamb, who blood was shed to take away the sin of the whole world.*
  - *Any Egyptian who put blood on their door post would be spared. Any Israelite who felt the blood was silly or not necessary; he suffered death in his household.*

Exd 11:8 *"All these your servants will come down to me and bow themselves before me, saying, 'Go out, you and all the people who follow you,' and after that I will go out." And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger.*

- *Moses was a man. Flesh and blood We see Moses does get angry.*
- *Exodus 2:11-12 Moses kills an Egyptian*
- *Exodus 11:8 Moses Storms out from Pharaoh's presence.*
- *Exodus 32:19 Seeing the people before the Golden Calf his anger "waxed hot" broke the tablets and made the people drink their idol and die.*
- *Numbers 20 Being angry with the people, Moses struck the rock twice at Meribah to have water flow. The Lord then reprimanded Moses for not believing Him and not sanctifying the Lord in the eyes of the Children of Israel.*
- *This I see that God extends to us a wonderful grace in our weakness. But we are to bring that weakness under control, especially when other are learning from us how to trust God. We are to be an example. God will chastise us if we are not presenting the character of God through our lives.*

Exd 11:9 *Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not listen to you, so that My wonders will be multiplied in the land of Egypt."*

- *The LORD told Moses, "Moses, come on now. You know it was I who hardened Pharaoh's heart. There is a reason for it. Don't get angry at The LORD's plan."*

Exd 11:10 *Moses and Aaron performed all these wonders before Pharaoh; yet the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the sons of Israel go out of his land.*

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