



## Times of Worship

<b>Sunday Bible Classes:</b>	9am
<b>Sunday AM Worship:</b>	10am
<b>Sunday PM Worship:</b>	5pm
<b>Wednesday Bible Study:</b>	7pm

## Join us Online

### Church Website:

<https://www.westfayettechurchofchrist.com/>

### YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGckN8D9NwwX3KUbQ4GRKyA>

## Interested in a Bible Study?

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## Evangelist

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## No Compromises

God told Moses to go command Pharaoh to let His people go a three days' journey into the wilderness to sacrifice to the Lord their God. (**Exo 5:3**) Pharaoh was very stubborn and did not allow the Hebrews, his greatest workforce, to leave. Therefore God punished Egypt with many plagues, ten to be exact.

First God turned the water of Egypt to blood. This devastated the land but Pharaoh did not budge. Second, God sent frogs and they were everywhere. This second plague made Pharaoh change his mind, for a moment. He made a deal with Moses saying, "Entreat the Lord that He may remove the frogs from me and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice to the Lord." (**8:8**) As soon as God removed the frogs, Pharaoh changed his mind and declared, "Y'all gotta stay put." (At least this is what Pharaoh would have said if he were from the South)

The plagues kept coming. God sent gnats (lice) on man and beast. This was the first plague the magicians could not duplicate but it did not budge Pharaoh. Next God sent great swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh and the houses of his servants and the land was laid waste because of the swarms of flies in all the land of Egypt (**8:24**) Once again Pharaoh tried to make a deal with Moses. "Go sacrifice to your God within the land." (**8:25**) Moses reminded Pharaoh they needed to go a three days' journey into the wilderness to sacrifice to the Lord as He commanded us. Pharaoh told Moses, "I will let you go, "only you shall not go very far away." God

## Week of October 8

### Attendance

- ♦ **AM Service** - 72
- ♦ **PM Service** - 43
- ♦ **Wednesday** - 45

### Contribution

- ♦ Weekly Budget \$2,400
- ♦ Contribution - \$3,699

### Upcoming Birthdays

- ♦ Shannon Gray (10/15)
- ♦ Sidney & Jennie Gray (10/16)
- ♦ Jeannie Blurton (10/26)
- ♦ Braden McCoy (10/28)
- ♦ Jennie Gray (10/31)
- ♦ Keith Malone (10/31)

### Calendar Items

**Song Learning Class** October 15  
at the building at 4pm

**Women's Bible Study** on  
Tuesday at the building at 11a

**Men's Meeting** on October 22nd  
at 4pm at the building

removed the flies and Pharaoh hardened his heart again and did not let them go.

God sent a plague on the Egyptians' cattle, and then boils on man and beast. God told Pharaoh through Moses He was going to send hail on man and beast. Those who feared God put their cattle indoors. God sent hail and lightning on Egypt and again Pharaoh had a change of heart. Pharaoh said, "I have sinned this time; the LORD is the righteous one, and I and my people are the wicked ones. Make supplication to the LORD, for there has been enough of God's thunder and hail; and I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer." (9:27-28) As soon as the hail, thunder, and lightning ceased, so did Pharaoh's promise to let them go.

God sent Moses to warn Pharaoh of the next plague - a swarm of locusts - if he did not let them go. Pharaoh's servants advised him to let Moses and the Hebrews to get out of Egypt. Pharaoh called for Moses to come back and asked who all is going to leave. Moses told him the young and old along with their herds. Pharaoh said, "No way." God sent the locust.

The 9<sup>th</sup> plague was a darkness that could be felt. Pharaoh again tries to make a deal with God. He said, "Go serve the Lord; only let your flocks and your herds be detained. Even your little ones may go with you." Pharaoh is starting to give in a little but God was not willing to compromise. Pharaoh hardened his heart again and we are on to another plague.

The 10<sup>th</sup> and final plague was the death of every firstborn, including Pharaoh's son. The tenth plague came and "there was no home where there was not someone dead." (12:30) This time Pharaoh called Moses and said, "Rise up, get out from among my people, both you and the sons of Israel; and go, worship the LORD, as you have said. Take both your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and go, and bless me also." (12:31-32)

God was unwilling to compromise with Pharaoh's deals throughout the time of the plagues. Next week we will make some practical applications to this very important principle. Stay tuned for part two of "No Compromises" coming soon.

Patrick