

an abomination to the Egyptians before their eyes, will they not then stone us? We must go on a three days' journey into the wilderness and sacrifice to the Lord our God as He commands us.' And Pharaoh said, 'I will let you go, that you may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only you shall not go very far away. Make supplication for me.' Then Moses said, 'Behold, I am going out from you, and I shall make supplication to the Lord that the swarms of Insects may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people tomorrow; only do not let Pharaoh deal deceitfully again in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord.' So Moses went out from Pharaoh and made supplication to the Lord. And the Lord did as Moses asked, and removed swarms of Insects from Pharaoh, from his servants and from his people; not one remained. But Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also and he did not let the people go."

9:1-7 -- "Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Go to Pharaoh and speak to him, "Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, 'Let My people go, that they may serve Me.' For if you refuse to let them go, and continue to hold them, behold, the hand of the Lord will come with a severe pestilence on your livestock which are in the field, on the horses, on the donkeys, on the camels, on the herds, and on the flocks. But the Lord will make a distinction between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt, so that nothing will die of all that belongs to the Sons of Israel.' " And the Lord set a definite time, saying, 'Tomorrow the Lord will do this thing in the land.' So the Lord did this thing on the morrow, and all the livestock of Egypt died; but of the livestock of the sons of Israel, not one died. And Pharaoh sent, and behold, there was not even one of the livestock of Israel dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was hardened and he did not let the people go."

9:8-12 -- "Then the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'Take for yourselves handfuls of soot from a kiln, and let Moses throw it toward the sky in the sight of Pharaoh. And it will become fine dust over all the land of Egypt, and will become boils breaking out with sores on man and beast through all the land of Egypt.' So they took soot from a kiln, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses threw it toward the sky, and it became boils breaking out with sores on man and beast. And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians as well as on all the Egyptians. And the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart and he did not listen to them, just as the Lord had spoken to Moses."

9:13-18, 24-28, 33-35 -- "Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Rise up early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh and say to him, "Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, 'Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For this time I will send all my plagues on you and your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is no one like He in all the earth. For if by now I had put forth My hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, you would then have been cut off from the earth. But, indeed, for this cause I have allowed you to remain, in order to show you My power, and in order to proclaim My name through all the earth. Still you exalt yourself against My people by not