

## Nothing Matches Gods Power

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### God Sends Plagues on Egypt

"Every time Moses and his brother Aaron went to talk to Pharaoh, Moses and Aaron would say, "Let my people go," just like God told them to do.

But Pharaoh did not want God's people, the Israelites to leave. So Pharaoh would always say, "No, no, no," to Moses and Aaron. Pharaoh thought he was the most powerful. But that was not true. No one is more powerful than God. **NOTHING MATCHES GOD'S POWER.** (*Ask your child who they think the most powerful person is. Is it their favorite superhero? Or their teacher at school? Explain that even superheroes and teachers cannot match the power of God.*)

Since Pharaoh would not let God's people go, God decided to show Pharaoh His amazing power. God wanted Pharaoh and all the people to see that **NOTHING MATCHES GOD'S POWER.** Moses went to Pharaoh ten times and told Pharaoh, "Let my people go." Every time, Pharaoh would say, "No, no, no," so God would send a plague on the land of Egypt.

One time, God sent so many frogs that the whole land of Egypt was covered with them, but still Pharaoh said, "No, no, no!" Pharaoh would not let God's people go.

Another time, God sent flies that covered the people and filled up their houses. But still, Pharaoh said, "No, no, no!" Pharaoh would not let God's people go.

Another time, God set hail, which was like little rocks that fell from the sky. The hail ruined all the food that was growing in the fields. But still, Pharaoh said, "No, no, no!" Pharaoh would not let God's people go.

Then, God sent darkness that covered the land. For three days, no one could see anything. But still, Pharaoh said, "No, no, no!" Pharaoh would not let God's people go.

God told Moses that He was going to send one last plague. After this plague, Pharaoh would let the Israelites go for sure. Moses told Pharaoh, "Tonight in Egypt the son who was born first in every family will die." Then, Moses told God's people, the Israelites, to find a perfect lamb and roast it over the fire to eat for dinner. Then, God's people were to take some of the blood from the lamb and put it on the sides and top of the front door of their house. That night, when God would come through Egypt, God would see the lamb's blood painted around the doors and God would pass over that house and the first born son that lived there would not die.

*(Discuss with your child that this action became a tradition, or holiday, for God's people so that they could remember God's power. Show them where Jesus and His Disciples celebrated Passover in the New Testament (Matthew 26:17-30). Ask them if they know of any holidays that we celebrate today in which we remember something God did.)*

God was showing all the people His amazing power. **NOTHING MATCHES GOD'S POWER.** Will Pharaoh ever let God's people go? Come back next week to find out!

These commandments that I give to you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

— Deuteronomy 6:6-8

### Let's Talk About It!

1. Which two brothers told Pharaoh, "Let my people go"?
2. Who would not let God's people go?
3. Who sent the plagues of frogs, flies, hail and darkness?
4. Who was more powerful, Pharaoh or God?
5. What can match God's power?

ANSWERS:  
(1) Moses and Aaron (2) Pharaoh (3) God  
(4) God (5) Nothing

## At Home And On The Road

*At a meal or in the car,  
discuss the following  
with your child.*

What an exciting story about the power of God! Pharaoh thought that he was the most powerful man in the world. Pharaoh even thought he was a god himself. Even though Pharaoh was a very powerful man, he could not match the power of God. So God sent ten plagues as a reminder to Pharaoh that **NOTHING MATCHES THE POWER OF GOD**. Only God is the most powerful, and only God deserves to be our God.

**Discussion:** Discuss with your child what they think of the ten plagues that God sent to Egypt. Ask them how they would feel if there were frogs, flies, or locusts everywhere. Talk with them about the reason why God would send so many horrible plagues to Egypt. Pharaoh was disobedient to God. He thought he was more powerful than God, but our story shows us that **NOTHING MATCHES GOD'S POWER**.

Read **Proverbs 3:5** to your child and show them where it is found in the Bible.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart.**

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**Proverbs 3 : 5**

(pat, clap) (pat, clap) (pat, pat, clap)

Try these easy hand motions as you recite the verse shown above. (Clap your hands/Pat your legs) Start off slow and each time you repeat the verse, go a little faster until you can say it really fast. Remember at the end to repeat the reference!

## Hands and Forehead

*Enjoy the following  
scripture verse with  
your child.*

## Doorframes And Gates

*Enjoy this project that  
reinforces the lesson to  
your child.*

(Have fun with this project that reinforces the lesson to your child.)

**Nothing Matches God's Power.** Cut out ten medium sized squares from pieces of construction paper. Have your child draw a symbol, such as a frog or a fly, for each of the ten plagues. Turn all the squares over so that the pictures are facedown and mix the squares up. Turn them back over and see if your child can put the squares in order from the first to the last plague. Blood, frogs, gnats, flies, livestock, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, firstborn.