

Exodus 7:14—8:19

False gods I: Hapi, Hekt & Hocus Pocus"

By this shall you know ...

- I. The Finger of God
 - A. Over Your Life Source
 - B. In All Your Houses
 - C. On Man and Beast
- II. Crushing the gods
 - A. Of Religion
 - B. Of Culture
 - C. Of Hearts
- III. And Exalting His Name
 - A. Through His Mighty Works
 - B. In Redemption Through Christ

... I Am.

Children, Listen ...

1. Why did God send the plagues on Egypt?
2. why was the Egyptian religion wrong?
3. List the first three plagues.

Down with the gods!

I hesitated to put images of gods of Egypt in the bulletin because of the despicable pagan nature of such things. I did however choose to do so for illustration purposes. The first is to remind us that we are never to make images of the true God (YHWH). It is a violation of the second commandment to draw, paint or make statues of the LORD. In contrast, the Egyptians produced multitudes of icons and images of their false gods. The second is to show how small and weak they are. As we enter into the section of the plagues God sends upon Egypt we witness YHWH taking down god after god that I plain sight of their worshipper.

Due to the overpoulated and complex Egyptian pantheon, designating each god adressed is not 100% precise, but what you find below is based on scholarly and general concensus. Because of their interconnectedness we will also see lesser god's taken down along with the main ones.

These half human/half beast creatures were not cutesy morphs. They are the result of imaginations steeped in deep spiritual darkness.



A Bloody Nile: Hapi was goddess of the Nile and, as Egypt depended on the river for its very life, she was revered as the source of life to the nation.



Frogs: Hekt (Heqet), the goddess of fertility and birth, was depicted as a woman with a frog head. Frogs were sacred creature to the Egyptians, but with the plague they became odious to their devotees.



Gnats: This plague either addresses Seth or Geb or both as they had overlapping responsibilities in the pagan mind of the Egyptians. Seth was the god of chaos, violence, deserts, and storms. Geb is the god of dust, the god of earth. In this plague we also see a direct assault on the magician's dark arts.