

Exodus 7:10-13

That they know I AM

Tell and show ...

I. Sign of the Serpents

A. Moses, Magic

B. AND YHWH

II. The Scene Set

A. Confrontation

B. Glorification

... that they may know.

Children, Listen ...

1. What happened when Aaron threw down his staff in front of Pharaoh and his people?
2. What did the magicians manage to do using their secret arts?
3. What happened next?
4. Moses and Pharaoh face each other in a kind of test of strength. But who is the battle in Exodus really between?

Prelude to Disaster & Deliverance

The confrontation about to take place in our passage is more than meets the untrained eye. There are actually many levels. There is Aaran vs. the magicians. There is Moses vs. Pharaoh representing respectively God's covenant people Israel and Egypt. The ground-level conflict is real, but the spiritual reality at the heart of it is what makes this so significant. Spiritual darkness serves the magicians, divine power drives Moses and Aaron, but the conflict ultimately has to do with the Almighty God putting Satan and all his minions, seen and unseen, in their place! Pharaoh with all his arrogance, and with all he can conjure from the spirit world in no match for YHWH. And this is just the prelude to God's magnificently mighty acts that are about to unfold. But spectacular as the plagues and the Exodus may be, they are just a foretaste of the great and awesome day of the Lord when Christ does battle with sin, the devil, and death itself.