

They are:

I. Powerful- "cast down his rod...became a serpent" (vs. 8-10)

Because they are:

- A. Requested "saying, show a miracle for you"
- **B.** Relational -"Take thy rod and cast before Pharaoh"
- C. Revealing "before Pharaoh, and before his servants"

II. Peculiar- "with their enchantments" (vs. 11-12)

Because they are:

- A. Godly "Pharaoh called...the sorcerers"
- **B.** Genuine "they also did in like manner"
- C. Greater "but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods"

III. Provocative - "He hardened...he hearkened not" (v. 13)

Because they:

- A. Cull "And He hardened Pharaoh's heart"
- **B.** Confound "he hearkened not unto them"
- C. Confirm "as the Lord had said"

Sentence Sermon:

"God uses miracles to confirm that He is God and there is none else like Him."

Additional Verses

- **▶** *Deuteronomy 4:34-35*
- > Isaiah 42:8
- > Joshua 24:14
- Numbers 33:4
- > Exodus 6:7; 7:5
- > John 20:30-31
- > Ephesians 6:12
- II Timothy 3:8
- > Exodus 4:1-5
- > II Thessalonians 2:8-9, 10
- I Thessalonians 1:9-10
- > I Corinthians 1:21-25
- > II Corinthians 11:13-15
- > John 2:11, 18
- Jeremiah 32:27
- > Job 5:8-9
- Matthew 12:38

Questions to Ponder:

- 1. What are the key words in this passage?
- 2. Who is the central character of the passage?
- 3. Why would Pharaoh ask Moses for a miracle?
- 4. What is surprising about verse 10?
- 5. Why is the presence of the servants of Pharaoh mentioned?
- 6. What are some differences between the serpents in the story?
- 7. Why did Moses' rod swallow the other rods?
- 8. What makes a heart harden?
- 9. What do the last 5 words of the passage teach us?