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Call to Worship

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Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Exodus 9:13-35

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. Review the Plagues
 - a) Blood
 - b) Frogs
 - c) Lice
 - d) Flies
 - e) Disease on livestock
 - f) Boils
- 2. The Seventh Plague
 - a) Hail
 - b) A severe hailstorm can cause great damage

A STRONG WORD TO THE PHARAOH

¹³ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh, and say to him, 'Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me, ¹⁴ for at this time I will send all My plagues to your very heart, and on your servants and on your people, that you may know that *there is* none like Me in all the earth. ¹⁵ Now if I had stretched out My hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, then you would have been cut off from the earth. ¹⁶ But indeed for this *purpose* I have raised you up, that I may show My power *in* you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth. ¹⁷ As yet you exalt yourself against My people in that you will not let them go.

- Exodus 9:13-17
- 1. The command of God to Pharaoh repeated
 - a) "Let My people go"
 - b) "That they may serve Me" Exodus 9:13
- 2. A strong word of Warning
 - a) "I will send all My plagues

- i) To your very heart
- ii) And on your servants and on your people
- b) "That you may know that there is none like Me in all the earth"

Exodus 9:14

c) "Now if I had stretched out My hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, then you would have been cut off from the earth"

Exodus 9:15

3. God's Purpose Disclosed

- a) But indeed for this *purpose* I have raised you up, that I may show My power *in* you Exodus 9:16a
- b) And that My name may be declared in all the earth Exodus 9:16b

4. A strong rebuke given

a) As yet you exalt yourself against My people Exodus 9:17a

b) In that you will not let them go Exodus 9:17b

THE SEVENTH PLAGUE: HAIL

Exodus 9:18-21

- 1. A heavy Hail storm would descend on Egypt
 - a) It would be unprecedented
 - b) This would be a special work of the LORD

2. A kind word of admonition

- a) The animals must not be left in the field
- b) They would be severely struck by the heavy hail

¹⁸ Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause very heavy hail to rain down, such as has not been in Egypt since its founding until now.

¹⁹Therefore send now *and* gather your livestock and all that you have in the field, for the hail shall come down on every man and every animal which is found in the field and is not brought home; and they shall die.

²⁰ He who feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his livestock flee to the houses.

²¹ But he who did not regard the word of the LORD left his servants and his livestock in the field.

- c) They would die
- d) But if they are brought out of the field into their homes they would survive

3. Two responses noted

- There were those who heeded
 They brought their animals into their house
- b) There were those who refused to heed Their animals would be left in the fields

THE PLAGUE OF HAIL UNLEASHED

²²Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt—on man, on beast, and on every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt." ²³ And Moses stretched out his rod toward heaven; and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and fire darted to the ground. And the Lord rained hail on the land of Egypt. ²⁴ So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, so very heavy that there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. ²⁵ And the hail struck throughout the whole land of Egypt, all that *was* in the field, both man and beast; and the hail struck every herb of the field and broke every tree of the field. ²⁶ Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel *were*, there was no hail.

Exodus 9:22-26

- 1. Moses stretched out his hands toward heaven as the LORD instructed him
- 2. The LORD sent
 - a) Thunder
 - b) Hail
 - c) Fire darted out from the hail stones Exodus 9:23
- 3. Damage

a) The whole land of Egypt Exodus 9:23

- b) All that was in the field
 - i) Man

- ii) Beast
- iii) Herbs

iv) Trees Exodus 9:25

- 4. Land of Goshen
 - a) Safe and secure
 - b) No hail Exodus 9:26

THE RESPONSE OF THE PHARAOH

²⁷ And Pharaoh sent and called for Moses and Aaron, and said to them, "I have sinned this time. The Lord *is* righteous, and my people and I are wicked. ²⁸ Entreat the Lord, that there may be no *more* mighty thundering and hail, for *it is* enough. I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer."

Exodus 9:27-28

- 1. Confession of sin
 - a) Pharaoh
 - b) The Egyptians
- 2. Declaration
 - a) The LORD is righteous
 - b) Pharaoh acknowledged the LORD and His power Exodus 9:27
- 3. Plea
- a) Entreat the LORD
- b) No more thundering and hail Exodus 9:28
- 4. Promise
 - a) It is enough
 - b) I will let the people go
 - c) You shall stay no longer Exodus 9:28

THE RESPONSE OF MOSES

²⁹ So Moses said to him, "As soon as I have gone out of the city, I will spread out my hands to the Lord; the thunder will cease, and there will be no more hail, that you may know that the earth *is* the Lord's. ³⁰ But as for you and your servants, I know that you will not yet fear the Lord God."

³¹ Now the flax and the barley were struck, for the barley *was* in the head and the flax *was* in bud. ³² But the wheat and the spelt were not struck, for they *are* late crops.

³³ So Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh and spread out his hands to the LORD; then the thunder and the hail ceased, and the rain was not poured on the earth.

³⁴ And when Pharaoh saw that the rain, the hail, and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet more; and he hardened his heart, he and his servants. ³⁵ So the heart of Pharaoh was hard; neither would he let the children of Israel go, as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

Exodus 9:29-35

1. Moses will pray for the hailstorm to cease

Exodus 9:29

- 2. But Moses remarked
 - a) But as for you and your servants
 - b) I know that you will not yet fear the LORD God Exodus 9:30

CONCLUSION

- 1. The hailstorm ceased
 - a) The flax and barley were destroyed
 - b) The wheat and spelt were spared
- Exodus 9:32

- 2. Pharaoh went back on his word again
 - a) After the storm was over
 - b) He sinned yet more
 - c) He hardened his heart
 - d) His servants followed him
 - e) He would not release the children of Israel
- 3. The works of the LORD
 - a) They are great
 - b) They are to be remembered
 - c) The fear of the LORD is to be cultivated