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- **Torah 1st Portion Chapter 6**
 - **2. God spoke to Moses, and He said to him, "I am the Lord.**
 - **3. I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob with [the name] Almighty God, but [with] My name YHWH, I did not become known to them.**
 - **4. And also, I established My covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their sojournings in which they sojourned.**
 - **5. And also, I heard the moans of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians are holding in bondage, and I remembered My covenant.**
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 - **2. AND the Lord spake with Mosheh, and said to him, I am the Lord who revealed Myself to thee in the midst of the bush, and said to thee,**
 - **3. I am the Lord. And I was revealed unto Abraham, and to Izhak, and to Jakob, as EI - Shaddai; but My Name Ye - ya, as it discovereth My Glory,[1] was not known to them. [JERUSALEM. And the Lord was revealed in His Word unto Abraham, to Izhak, and to Jakob, as the God of Heaven; but the Name of the Word of the Lord was not known. to them.]**
 - **4. And I confirmed also My covenant with them, to give them the land of Kanaan, the land of their sojourning in which they were sojourners.**
 - **5. And now cometh before Me the groaning of the sons of Israel, because the Mizraee do enslave them; and I remember My covenant.**

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- **6. Therefore, say to the children of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will take you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will save you from their labor, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.**
- **7. And I will take you to Me as a people, and I will be a God to you, and you will know that I am the Lord your God, Who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.**
- **8. I will bring you to the land, concerning which I raised My hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, and I will give it to you as a heritage; I am the Lord.' "**
- **9. Moses spoke thus to the children of Israel, but they did not hearken to Moses because of [their] shortness of breath and because of [their] hard labor.**
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- **6. Therefore say to the sons of Israel, I am the Lord; and I will bring you forth from the oppressive bondage of the Mizraee, and will deliver you from your servitude, and save you with an uplifted arm, and by great judgments.**
- **7. And I will bring you nigh before Me to be a people, and I will be a God unto you, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God who hath led you forth from the hard service of the Mizraee.**
- **8. And I will bring you into the land which I covenanted by My Word to give unto Abraham, to Izhak, and to Jakob; and I will give it to you for an inheritance. I Am the Lord.**
- **9. And Mosheh spake according to this to the sons of Israel; but they received not from Mosheh, through anxiety of spirit, and from the strange and hard service which was upon their hands. [JERUSALEM. From anxiety.]**

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- **10. The Lord spoke to Moses, saying,**
- **11. "Come, speak to Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, and he will let the children of Israel out of his land."**
- **12. But Moses spoke before the Lord, saying, "Behold, the children of Israel did not hearken to me. How then will Pharaoh hearken to me, seeing that I am of closed lips?"**
- **13. So the Lord spoke to Moses and to Aaron, and He commanded them concerning the children of Israel and concerning Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, to let the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.**

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- **9. And the Lord spake to Mosheh saying,**
- **11. Go in, speak with Pharaoh, the king of Mizraim, that he release the children of Israel from his land. And Mosheh said before the Lord, Behold, the sons of Israel do not hearken to me; how then will Pharaoh hearken to me, and I a man difficult of speech?**
- **12. And the Lord spake with Mosheh and with Aharon, and gave them admonition for the sons of Israel, and sent them to Pharaoh, king of Mizraim, to send forth the children of Israel from the land of Mizraim.**

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- 14. These [following] are the heads of the fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben, Israel's firstborn: Enoch, Pallu, Hezron, and Karmi, these are the families of Reuben.
- 15. And the sons of Simeon: Jemuel and Jamin and Ohad and Jachin and Zohar and Saul, the son of the Canaanitess, these are the families of Simeon.
- 16. And these are the names of Levi's sons after their generations: Gershon, Kehath, and Merari, and the years of Levi's life were one hundred thirty seven years.
- 17. The sons of Gershon: Libni and Shimei to their families.
- 18. And the sons of Kehath were Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, and the years of Kehath's life were one hundred thirty three years.

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- 14. These are the heads of the house of their fathers. The sons of Reuben, the firstborn of Israel, Hanok and Phallu, Hezron and Karmi; these are the race of Reuben.
- 15. And the sons of Shimeon, Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jakin, and Sochar, and Shaul (he is Zimri, who yielded himself unto fornication, as among the Kenaanaee); these are the race of Shimeon.
- 16. And these are the names of the sons of Levi, according to their race: Gershon, and Kehath, and Merari. And the years of the life of Levi a hundred and thirty and seven years: he lived to see Mosheh and Aharon the deliverers of Israel.
- 17. And the sons of Gershon, Libni and Shemei, according to their generations.
- 18. And the sons of Kehath, Amram, and Jitshar, and Hebron, and Uzziel. And the years of the life of Kehath the saint, a hundred and thirty and three years. He lived to see Phinehas, who is Elijah, the Great Priest, who is to be sent to the captivity of Israel at the end of the days.

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- **19. And the sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi; these are the families of the Levites according to their generations.**
- **20. Amram took Jochebed, his aunt, as his wife, and she bore him Aaron and Moses, and the years of Amram's life were one hundred thirty seven years.**
- **21. And the sons of Izhar were Korah and Nepheg and Zichri.**
- **22. And the sons of Uzziel were Mishael, Elzaphan, and Sithri.**
- **23. Aaron took to himself for a wife, Elisheba, the daughter of Amminadab, the sister of Nahshon, and she bore him Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.**

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- **19. And the sons of Merari, Mahali and Mushi; these are the race of Levi according to the generations.**
- **20. And Amram took Jochebed his cousin to wife, and she bare him Aharon and Mosheh; and the years of Amram the saint were a hundred and thirty and seven years. He lived to see the children of Rechabiah bar Gershom bar Mosheh.**
- **21. And the sons of Jitshar (were) Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.**
- **22. And the sons of Uzziel, Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Sithri.**
- **23. And Aharon took Elisheba, daughter of Aminadab, sister of Nachshon, Unto him to wife, and she bare him Nadab and Abihu, Elazar and Ithamar.**

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- **24. And the sons of Korah were Assir, Elkanah and Abiasaph; these are the families of the Korahites.**
- **25. Eleazar, the son of Aaron, took himself [one] of the daughters of Putiel to himself as a wife, and she bore him Phinehas; these are the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the Levites according to their families.**
- **26. That is Aaron and Moses, to whom the Lord said, "Take the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt with their legions."**
- **27. They are the ones who spoke to Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, to let the children of Israel out of Egypt; they are Moses and Aaron.**
- **28. Now it came to pass on the day that the Lord spoke to Moses in the land of Egypt,**
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- **24. And the sons of Korah, Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these are the race of Korah.**
- **25. And Elasar bar Aharon took unto him a wife from the daughters of Jethro who is Putiel, and she bare him Phinehas. These are the heads of the fathers of the Levites, according to their generations.**
- **26. These are Aharon and Mosheh, to whom the Lord said, Bring forth the sons of Israel free from the land of Mizraim, according to their hosts; -**
- **27. these are they who spake with Pharaoh, king of Mizraim, that he should send out the sons of Israel from Mizraim; it is Mosheh the prophet, and Aharon the priest.**
- **28. And it was in the day when the Lord spake with Mosheh in the land of Mizraim, that Aharon gave a listening ear, and heard what He spake with him.**

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- Torah 3rd Portion Chapter 6
 - 29. that the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "I am the Lord. Speak to Pharaoh everything that I speak to you."
 - 30. But Moses said before the Lord, "Behold, I am of closed lips; so how will Pharaoh hearken to me?"
 - Chapter 7
 - 1. The Lord said to Moses, "See! I have made you a lord over Pharaoh, and Aaron, your brother, will be your speaker.
 - 2. You shall speak all that I command you, and Aaron, your brother, shall speak to Pharaoh, that he let the children of Israel out of his land.
 - 3. But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and I will increase My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt.
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 - 29. And the Lord spake with Mosheh, and said to him, I am the Lord. Say to Pharaoh, king of Mizraim all that I tell thee.
 - 30. And Mosheh said before the Lord, Behold, I am difficult in speaking; how then will Pharaoh hearken to me?
 - Chapter 7
 - 1. But the Lord said to Mosheh, Wherefore art thou fearful? Behold, I have set thee a terror to Pharaoh, as if thou wast his God, and Aharon thy brother shall be thy prophet.
 - 2. Thou shalt speak to Aharon that which I command thee, and Aharon thy brother shall speak to Pharaoh, that he release the sons of Israel from his land.
 - 3. But I will harden the disposition of Pharaoh's heart to multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Mizraim.

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- 4. But Pharaoh will not hearken to you, and I will lay My hand upon the Egyptians, and I will take My legions, My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt with great judgments.
- 5. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord when I stretch forth My hand over Egypt, and I will take the children of Israel out of their midst."
- 6. Moses and Aaron did; as the Lord commanded them, so they did.
- 7. And Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron was eighty three years old when they spoke to Pharaoh.

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- 4. Nor will Pharaoh hearken to you. But I will shoot among them the arrows of death,
- 5. and inflict the plagues of My mighty band upon Mizraim, and will bring out the sons of Israel free from among them.
- 6. And Mosheh and Aharon did as the Lord commanded them, even so did they.
- 7. And Mosheh was the son of eighty years, and Aharon the son of eighty and three years, at their speaking with Pharaoh.
- And the Lord spake to Mosheh and to
- Aharon, saying, When Pharaoh talketh with you, saying, Give us a miracle, thou shalt say to Aharon, Take thy rod, and cast it down before Pharaoh, and it shall become a basilisk - serpent;[2] for all the inhabitants of the earth shall hear the voice of the shriek of Mizraim when I shatter them, as all the creatures heard the shriek of the serpent when made naked at the beginning. [JERUSALEM. And throw down before Pharaoh.]

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- Torah 4th Portion Chapter 7
 - 8. The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying,
 - 9. "When Pharaoh speaks to you, saying, 'Provide a sign for yourselves,' you shall say to Aaron, 'Take your staff, [and] cast [it] before Pharaoh; it will become a serpent.' "
 - 10. [Thereupon,] Moses and Aaron came to Pharaoh, and they did so, as the Lord had commanded; Aaron cast his staff before Pharaoh and before his servants, and it became a serpent.
 - 11. [Then,] Pharaoh too summoned the wise men and the magicians, and the necromancers of Egypt also did likewise with their magic.
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 - 8. And the Lord spake to Mosheh and to Aharon, saying,
 - 9. When Pharaoh talketh with you, saying, Give us a miracle, thou shalt say to Aharon, Take thy rod, and cast it down before Pharaoh, and it shall become a basilisk - serpent; for all the inhabitants of the earth shall hear the voice of the shriek of Mizraim when I shatter them, as all the creatures heard the shriek of the serpent when made naked at the beginning. [JERUSALEM. And throw down before Pharaoh.]
 - 10. And Mosheh and Aharon went in unto Pharaoh, and did as the Lord had commanded. And Aharon threw down the rod before the sight of Pharaoh, and before the sight of his servants, and it became a basilisk.
 - 11. But Pharaoh called the hachems and magicians; and they also, Janis and Jamberes, magicians of Mizraim, did the same by their burnings of divination.

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- 12. Each one of them cast down his staff, and they became serpents; but Aaron's staff swallowed their staffs.
- 13. But Pharaoh's heart remained steadfast, and he did not hearken to them, as the Lord had spoken.
- 14. The Lord said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is heavy; he has refused to let the people out.
- 15. Go to Pharaoh in the morning; behold, he is going forth to the water, and you shall stand opposite him on the bank of the Nile, and the staff that was turned into a serpent you shall take in your hand.
- 16. And you shall say to him, 'The Lord God of the Hebrews sent me to you, saying, "Send forth My people, so that they may serve Me in the desert," but behold, until now, you have not hearkened.

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- 12. They threw down each man his rod, and they became basilisks; but were forthwith changed to be what they were at first; and the rod of Aharon swallowed up their rods.
- 13. And the disposition[4] of Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not hearken to them, as the Lord had said.
- 14. And the Lord said to Mosheh, The disposition of Pharaoh's heart is obdurate in refusing to release the people.
- 15. Go unto Pharaoh in the morning: behold, he cometh forth to observe divinations at the water as a magician; so shalt thou prepare thee to meet him on the bank of the river, and Aharon's rod that was changed to be a serpent thou shalt take in thy hand. [JERUSALEM. To refresh himself at the river.]
- 16. And thou shalt say to him, The Lord God of the Jehudaeae hath sent me unto thee, saying Release My people, that they may serve Me in the desert; and, behold, as yet thou hast not hearkened.

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- Torah 4th Portion Chapter 7
- 17. So said the Lord, "With this you will know that I am the Lord." Behold, I will smite with the staff that is in my hand upon the water that is in the Nile, and it will turn to blood.
- 18. And the fish that are in the Nile will die, and the Nile will become putrid, and the Egyptians will weary [in their efforts] to drink water from the Nile.' "
- 19. The Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch forth your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their canals, over their ponds, and over all their bodies of water, and they will become blood, and there will be blood throughout the entire land of Egypt, even in wood and in stone.' "
- 20. Moses and Aaron did so, as the Lord had commanded, and he raised the staff and struck the water that was in the Nile before the eyes of Pharaoh and before the eyes of his servants, and all the water that was in the Nile turned to blood.
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- 17. Thus saith the Lord: By this sign thou shalt know that I am the Lord. Behold, with the rod that is in my hand, I will smite the waters of the river, and they shall be changed into blood.
- 18. And the fish that are in the river shall die, and the river become foul, and the Mizraee shall desist from drinking water from the river.
- 19. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Tell Aharon, Take thy rod and stretch forth thy hand over the waters of the Mizraee over their rivers, Over their trenches, over their canals, and over every place for collecting their waters, and they will become blood; and there shall be blood in all the land of Mizraim, and in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone. [JERUSALEM. In vases.]
- 20. And Mosheh and Aharon did so, as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters of the river in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters of the river were turned into blood;

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- 21. And the fish that were in the Nile died, and the Nile became putrid; the Egyptians could not drink water from the Nile, and there was blood throughout the entire land of Egypt.
- 22. And the necromancers of Egypt did likewise with their secret rites, and Pharaoh's heart was steadfast, and he did not heed them, as the Lord had spoken.
- 23. Pharaoh turned and went home, and he paid no heed even to this.
- 24. All the Egyptians dug around the Nile for water to drink because they could not drink from the water of the Nile.
- 25. Seven full days passed after the Lord had smitten the Nile.

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- 21. and the fish that were in the river died; and the river became foul, and the Mizraee could not drink of the waters, of the river and the plague of blood was in all the land of Mizraim.
- 22. But so (also) did the astrologers of Mizraim by their burnings, and turned the waters of Goshen into blood. And the design of Pharaoh's heart was strengthened, and he would not hearken to them, as the Lord had said.
- 23. And Pharaoh did what was needful to him, and went unto his house, nor did he set his heart upon this plague.
- 24. And the Mizraee digged about the river for water to drink, but could not find them pure; for they were not able to drink of the water from the river.
- 25. And seven days were completed after the Lord had smitten the river, and the Word of the Lord had afterward healed the river.

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- Torah 4th Portion Chapter 7
- 26. The Lord said to Moses, "Come to Pharaoh and say to him, 'So said the Lord, "Let My people go, so that they may serve Me.
- 27. But if you refuse to let [them] go, behold, I will smite all your borders with frogs.
- 28. And the Nile will swarm with frogs, and they will go up and come into your house and into your bedroom and upon your bed and into the house of your servants and into your people, and into your ovens and into your kneading troughs;
- 29. and into you and into your people and into all your servants, the frogs will ascend." ' "
- Chapter 8
- 1. The Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, stretch forth your hand with your staff over the rivers, over the canals, and over the ponds, and bring up the frogs on the land of Egypt."
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- 26. And the Lord spoke to Mosheh, Go in unto Pharaoh and say to him, Thus saith the Lord, Emancipate My people, that they may serve before Me.
- 27. But if thou refuse to set them free, behold, I will plague all thy borders with frogs.
- 28. And the river shall multiply frogs, and they shall ascend and come up into thy house, and into the bedchamber where thou sleepest, and upon thy couch; and into the house of thy servants, and among thy people, and into the ovens, and into thy baking - troughs,
- 29. and upon thy body, and upon the bodies' of thy people, and upon all thy servants, shall the frogs have power.
- Chapter 8
- 1. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Lift up thy hand with thy rod over the rivers, over the trenches, and over the canals, [JERUSALEM. Pools,] and I will bring up the frogs upon the land of Mizraim.

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- Torah 4th Portion Chapter 8
- 2. And Aaron stretched forth his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up and covered the land of Egypt.
- 3. And the necromancers did likewise with their secret rites, and they brought up the frogs on the land of Egypt.
- 4. Thereupon, Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron, and said, "Entreat the Lord that He remove the frogs from me and from my people, and I will let out the people [of Israel] so that they may sacrifice to the Lord."
- 5. And Moses said to Pharaoh, "Boast [of your superiority] over me. For when shall I entreat for you, for your servants, and for your people, to destroy the frogs from you and from your houses, [that] they should remain only in the Nile? "
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- 2. And Aharon uplifted his hand over the waters of Mizraim, and the plague of frogs came up and covered the land of Mizraim. But Mosheh (himself) did not smite the waters, either with the blood or with the frogs because through them (the waters of the Nile) he had (found) safety the time that his mother laid him in the river.
- 3. And the astrologers did likewise by their burnings, and brought up frogs upon the land of Mizraim.
- 4. And Pharaoh called to Mosheh and to Aharon, saying, Pray before the Lord, that He may remove the frogs from me and from my people; and I will release the people to offer the sacrifices of a feast before the Lord.
- 5. And Mosheh said to Pharaoh, Glorify thyself on account of me. At what time dost thou request that I should pray for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, that the frogs may be destroyed from thee and from thy house, and be left only in the river?



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- **Torah 4th Portion Chapter 8**
- **6. And he [Pharaoh] said, "For tomorrow." And he [Moses] said, "As you say, in order that you should know that there is none like the Lord, our God.**

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- **6. And he said, Tomorrow. And he said, According to thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like the Lord our God. [JERUSALEM. Give a sign, and keep at a distance, till I shall have prayed for thee.]**

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- Torah 5th Portion Chapter 8
 - 7. And the frogs will depart from you and from your houses and from your servants and from your people; only in the Nile will they remain."
 - 8. And Moses and Aaron went away from Pharaoh, and Moses cried out to the Lord concerning the frogs that He had brought upon Pharaoh.
 - 9. And the Lord did according to Moses' word, and the frogs died from the houses, from the courtyards, and from the fields.
 - 10. They gathered them into many heaps, and the land stank.
 - 11. When Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart, and he did not hearken to them, as the Lord had spoken.
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 - 7. And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy house, and from thy servants, and from thy people; and those only that are in the river shall remain.
 - 8. And Mosheh and Aharon went out from Pharaoh, and Mosheh prayed before the Lord respecting the frogs, as he had proposed to Pharaoh.
 - 9. And the Lord did according to the word of Mosheh; and the frogs died from the houses and from the courts and from the field,
 - 10. and they collected them in heaps and heaps, [JERUSALEM. Heaps, heaps,] and the land was corrupted.
 - 11. And Pharaoh saw that he was refreshed from his molestation, but hardened his heart, and would not hearken to them, as the Lord had said.

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□ Torah 5th Portion Chapter 8

- 12. The Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Stretch forth your staff and strike the dust of the earth, and it shall become lice throughout the entire land of Egypt.' "
- 13. They did so, and Aaron stretched forth his hand with his staff and struck the dust of the earth, and the lice were upon man and beast; all the dust of the earth became lice throughout the entire land of Egypt.
- 14. And the necromancers did likewise with their secret rites to bring out the lice, but they could not, and the lice were upon man and beast.

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- 12. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Speak unto Aharon, Lift up thy rod and smite the dust of the earth, and it shall become venomous insects in all the land of Mizraim. But it shall not be by thee that the ground shall be smitten, because therein for thee was (the means of) safety when thou hadst slain the Mizraite and it received him.
- 13. And they did so, and Aharon lifted up his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the ground, and it became a plague of venomous insects upon the flesh of men and of cattle; all the dust of the earth was changed to become insects, in all the land of Mizraim.
- 14. And the astrologers wrought with their burnings to bring forth the insects, but were not able; and the plague of insects prevailed upon men and upon cattle.

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 - 15. So the necromancers said to Pharaoh, "It is the finger of God," but Pharaoh's heart remained steadfast, and he did not hearken to them, as the Lord had spoken.
 - 16. And the Lord said to Moses, "Arise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh, behold, he is going out to the water, and you shall say to him, 'So said the Lord, "Let My people go out and serve Me.
 - 17. For if you do not let My people go, behold, I will incite against you and against your servants and against your people and in your houses a mixture of noxious creatures, and the houses of Egypt will be filled with the mixture of noxious creatures, as well as the land upon which they are.
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 - 15. And the astrologers said to Pharaoh, This is not by the power or strength of Mosheh and Aharon; but this is a plague sent from before the Lord. Yet the design of Pharaoh's heart was strengthened, and he would not hearken to them, as the Lord had said.
 - 16. And the Lord spake to Mosheh, Arise in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh: behold, be goeth forth to observe divinations at the water, as a magician; and thou shalt say to him, Thus saith the Lord, Emancipate My people, that they may worship before Me;
 - 17. but if thou wilt not set My people free, behold, I will stir up among thee, and thy servants, and thy people, and thy house, a mixed multitude of wild beasts [JERUSALEM. A commixture,] and the houses of the Mizraee shall be filled with a swarm of wild beasts, and they shall be upon the land also.



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- **Torah 5th Portion Chapter 8**
- **18. And I will separate on that day the land of Goshen, upon which My people stand, that there will be no mixture of noxious creatures there, in order that you know that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth.**

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- **18. And I will do wonders that day in the land of Goshen where My people dwell, that there no swarms of wild redemption for My people,**

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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 8
- 19. And I will make a redemption between My people and your people; this sign will come about tomorrow." " "
- 20. The Lord did so, and a heavy mixture of noxious creatures came to Pharaoh's house and his servants' house, and throughout the entire land of Egypt, the land was destroyed because of the mixture of noxious creatures.
- 21. Thereupon, Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron, and he said, "Go, sacrifice to your God in the land."
- 22. But Moses said, "It is improper to do that, for we will sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to our God. Will we sacrifice the deity of the Egyptians before their eyes, and they will not stone us?"
- 23. Let us go [for] a three day journey in the desert and sacrifice to the Lord, our God, as He will say to us."
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
- 19. and upon thy people will I lay the plague: tomorrow this sign shall be.
- 20. And the Lord did so; and sent the mixed multitude of wild beasts in strength to the house of Pharaoh, and to the house of his servants and in all the land of Mizraim the inhabitants of the land were devastated from the swarm of wild beasts.
- 21. And Pharaoh called to Mosheh and to Aharon., saying, Go, worship with festival sacrifices before the Lord your God in this land.
- 22. But Mosheh said, It will not be right to do so; because we shall take sheep, which are the abomination of the Mizraee, and offer them before the Lord our God. Behold if we offer the abomination of the Mizraee before them, they would stone us with stones as an act of justice.
- 23. We will go three days journey into the wilderness to offer the festival sacrifices before our God, as He hath bidden us.

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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 8
 - 24. Pharaoh said, "I will let you go out, and you will sacrifice to the Lord, your God, in the desert, but do not go far away; entreat [Him] on my behalf."
 - 25. Moses said, "Behold, I am going away from you, and I will entreat the Lord, and the mixture of noxious creatures will depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people tomorrow. Only let Pharaoh not tease anymore, by not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord."
 - 26. So Moses went away from Pharaoh and entreated the Lord.
 - 27. And the Lord did according to Moses' word, and He removed the mixture of noxious creatures from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; not one was left.
 - 28. But Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and he did not let the people go.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 24. And Pharaoh said, I will release you to sacrifice before the Lord your God in the wilderness, only you shall not go to a greater distance. Pray, (too,) for me.
 - 25. And Mosheh said, I will go forth from thee, and pray before the Lord to remove the swarm of wild beasts from Pharaoh, and from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow; only let not Pharaoh add to deceive, in not releasing the people to offer the festal sacrifices before the Lord.
 - 26. And Mosheh went out from Pharaoh, and prayed before the Lord;
 - 27. and the Lord did according to the word of the prayer of Mosheh, and removed the swarm of wild beasts from Pharaoh, and from his servants, and from his people; not one was left.
 - 28. Yet did Pharaoh strengthen the design of his heart this time also, and released not the people.

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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 9
- 1. The Lord said to Moses, "Come to Pharaoh and speak to him, 'So said the Lord, God of the Hebrews, "Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- 2. For if you refuse to let them go, and you still hold on to them,
- 3. behold, the hand of the Lord will be upon your livestock that is in the field, upon the horses, upon the donkeys, upon the camels, upon the cattle, and upon the sheep, a very severe pestilence.
- 4. And the Lord will make a separation between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt, and nothing of the children of Israel will die. " ' "
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
- 1. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Go in to Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Jehudaeae, Emancipate My people, that they may worship before Me.
- 2. But if thou refuse to release, and hitherto thou hast constrained them,
- 3. behold, the stroke of the Lord's hand shall be as it hath not been yet, upon thy cattle that are in the field, upon the horses, and upon the asses, upon the camels, oxen, and sheep, with a very mighty death. [JERUSALEM. Great conturbation.]
- 4. And the Lord will work wonders between the flocks of Israel and the flocks of the Mizraee, that not any of those which belong to the sons of Israel shall die.

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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 9
 - 5. The Lord set an appointed time, saying, "Tomorrow, God will do this thing in the land."
 - 6. God did this thing on the morrow, and all the livestock of the Egyptians died, but of the livestock of the children of Israel not one died.
 - 7. And Pharaoh sent, and behold, not even one of the livestock of Israel died, but Pharaoh's heart became hardened, and he did not let the people out.
 - 8. The Lord said to Moses and to Aaron, "Take yourselves handfuls of furnace soot, and Moses shall cast it heavenward before Pharaoh's eyes.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 5. And the Lord set a time, saying, Tomorrow will the Lord do this thing in the land.
 - 6. And the Lord did that thing the day after, and all the cattle of the Mizraee died; but of the cattle of the sons of Israel died not one.
 - 7. And Pharaoh sent certain to look; and, behold, not one of the cattle of the sons of Israel had died, not even one. But the disposition of Pharaoh, heart was aggravated, and he would not release the people.
 - 8. And the Lord said to Mosheh and to Aharon, Take with you hands - full of fine ashes from the furnace, and let Mosheh sprinkle them towards the height of the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh.

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□ Torah 6th Portion Chapter 9

□ 9. And it will become dust upon the entire land of Egypt, and it will become boils, breaking out into blisters upon man and upon beast throughout the entire land of Egypt."

□ 10. So they took furnace soot, and they stood before Pharaoh, and Moses cast it heavenward, and it became boils breaking out into blisters upon man and upon beast.

□ 11. And the necromancers could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were upon the necromancers and upon all Egypt.

□ 12. But the Lord strengthened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not hearken to them, as the Lord spoke to Moses.

□ R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL

□ 9. And the dust shall be upon all the land of Mizraim, upon man and upon beast, for a boil, producing tumours in all the land of Mizraim [JERUSALEM. Tumours.]

□ 10. And they took ashes of the furnace, and arose to meet Pharaoh; and Mosheh sprinkled them towards the height of the heavens; and there came a boil multiplying tumours upon man and beast.

□ 11. And the astrologers could not stand before Mosheh, on account of the boils; for the plague of the boil was upon the astrologers, and upon all the Mizraee.

□ 12. And the Lord hardened the design of Pharaoh's heart, and he would not hearken to them, as the Lord had said to Mosheh.

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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 9
 - 13. The Lord said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and stand erect before Pharaoh, and say to him, 'So said the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, "Let My people go so that they may worship Me.
 - 14. Because this time, I am sending all My plagues into your heart and into your servants and into your people, in order that you know that there is none like Me in the entire earth.
 - 15. For if now I had stretched forth My hand, and I had smitten you and your people with pestilence, you would have been annihilated from the earth.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 13. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Arise in the morning, and place thyself before Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Jehudae, Emancipate My people, that they may worship before Me.
 - 14. For at this time I will send upon thee a plague from the heavens, and all My plagues Wherewith I have plagued thee thou wilt cause to return upon thy heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, (plagues) which have been sent from before Me, and not from the magic of the sons of men, that thou mayest know that there is none like Me in all the earth.
 - 15. Now could I send the plague of My strength by judgment (or, with justice) to strike thee and thy people with death, and destroy thee from the earth;



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- Torah 6th Portion Chapter 9
- 16. But, for this [reason] I have allowed you to stand, in order to show you My strength and in order to declare My name all over the earth.

- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
- 16. but verily I have spared thee alive, not that I may benefit thee, but that My power may be made manifest to thee, and that My Holy Name may be made known in all the earth.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 17. If you still tread upon My people, not letting them out,
 - 18. behold, I am going to rain down at this time tomorrow a very heavy hail, the likes of which has never been in Egypt from the day of its being founded until now.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 17. Hitherto hast thou tyrannized over My people, instead of releasing them. [JERUSALEM. Relentlessly.]
 - 18. Behold, at this time tomorrow I will cause to come down from the treasures of the heavens a mighty hail, the like of which hath never been in Mizraim since the day when men were settled upon it until now.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 19. And now, send, gather in your livestock and all that you have in the field, any man or beast that is found in the field and not brought into the house the hail shall fall on them, and they will die. " ' "
 - 20. He who feared the word of the Lord of Pharaoh's servants drove his servants and his livestock into the houses.
 - 21. But he who did not pay attention to the word of the Lord left his servants and his livestock in the field.
 - 22. The Lord said to Moses, "Stretch forth your hand heavenward, and hail will be upon the entire land of Egypt, upon man and upon beast and upon all the vegetation of the field in the land of Egypt."
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 19. But now send, gather together thy flocks, and all that thou hast in the field (for) upon all men and cattle that are found in the field, and not gathered together within the house, will the hail come down, and they will die.
 - 20. Hiob, (Job,) who revered the word of the Lord, among the servants of Pharaoh, gathered together his servants and his flocks within the house.
 - 21. But Bileam, who did not set his heart upon the word of the Lord, left his servants and his flocks in the field.
 - 22. And the Lord said to Mosheh, Uplift thy hand towards the height of the heavens, and there shall be hail on all the land of Mizraim, upon men, and upon beasts, and upon every herb of the field in the land of Mizraim.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 23. So Moses stretched forth his staff heavenward, and the Lord gave forth thunder and hail, and fire came down to the earth, and the Lord rained down hail upon the land of Egypt.
 - 24. And there was hail, and fire flaming within the hail, very heavy, the likes of which had never been throughout the entire land of Egypt since it had become a nation.
 - 25. The hail struck throughout the entire land of Egypt, all that was in the field, both man and beast, and the hail struck all the vegetation of the field, and it broke all the trees of the field.
 - 26. Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, there was no hail.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 23. And Mosheh lifted up his rod toward the height of the heavens, and the Lord gave forth thunders and hailstones with flaming, fire upon the ground; the Lord made the hail descend upon the land of Mizraim.
 - 24. And there was hail, and fire darting among the hail with exceeding force: unto it had never been the like in all the land of Mizraim ever since it was a nation and a kingdom.
 - 25. And the hail smote in all the land of Mizraim whatsoever was in the field, of men and of cattle, and all the herbage of the field the hail smote, and every tree of the field it shattered and uprooted.
 - 26. Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, there was no hail.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 27. So Pharaoh sent and summoned Moses and Aaron and said to them, "I have sinned this time. The Lord is the righteous One, and I and my people are the guilty ones.
 - 28. Entreat the Lord, and let it be enough of God's thunder and hail, and I will let you go, and you shall not continue to stand."
 - 29. And Moses said to him, "When I leave the city, I will spread my hands to the Lord. The thunder will cease, and there will be no more hail, in order that you know that the land is the Lord's.
 - 30. But you and your servants I know that you still do not fear the Lord God,
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 27. And Pharaoh sent certain to call Mosheh and Aharon; and he said to them, This time I have sinned. I know that the Lord is a righteous God, and that I and my people have deserved every one of these plagues.
 - 28. Intercede before the Lord, that with Him it may be enough, and there may be no more maledictory thunders nor hail from the presence of the Lord; and I will release you, and no longer hinder.
 - 29. And Mosheh said to him, When I have gone out from thee into the city, I will outspread my hands in prayer before the Lord, and the thunders shall cease, and there shall be no more hail; that you may know that the earth is the Lord's.
 - 30. But I know that thou and thy servants release the people, they will have to be afraid before the Lord God.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 31. though the flax and the barley have been broken, for the barley is in the ear, and the flax is in the stalk.
 - 32. The wheat and the spelt, however, have not been broken because they ripen late."
 - 33. Moses went away from Pharaoh, out of the city, and he spread out his hands to the Lord, and the thunder and the hail ceased, and rain did not come down to earth.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 31. And the flax and the barley were beaten down, because the barley was in the ear, and the flax was making pods. [JERUSALEM. The flax was (making) pods, for it had cast its flowers.]
 - 32. But the wheat and the spelt were not smitten, because they are later.
 - 33. And Mosheh and Aharon went out from Pharaoh to the suburb, and he stretched out his hands in prayer before the Lord, and the thunders of the curse were withheld, and the hail and rain that were descending came not on the earth.

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- Torah 7th Portion Chapter 9
 - 34. And Pharaoh saw that the rain, the hail, and the thunder had ceased; so he continued to sin, and he strengthened his heart, he and his servants.
 - 35. And the Lord made Pharaoh's heart strong, and he did not let the children of Israel go out, as the Lord had spoken through the hand of Moses.
- R JONATHAN BEN UZZIEL
 - 34. And Pharaoh saw that the rain and hail and the thunders of the curse had ended, and he added to sin, and made strong the design of his heart, both he and his servants.
 - 35. And Pharaoh's heart was made obstinate, and he would not release the children of Israel, as the Lord had said through Mosheh.