Obey God Or Your Hardened Heart? by Kirk Hunt

But the Lord said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not heed you, so that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt." So Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh; and the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

Exodus 11:9-10 NKJV

Pharaoh denied, once again, Moses' request to end the slavery of the Israelites. Despite the prior nine plagues that had wracked and ruined Egypt, Pharaoh refused to end the injustice against the people of God. Pharaoh set the stage for the tenth plague with his hardened heart and willful disobedience.

Many Bible scholars state that the ten plagues of Egypt systematically denied and refuted the supposed power of the Egyptian pantheon. God displayed His power over His creation and the Egyptians for all to see. The pagan myths of the Egyptians failed to stand against the actual power of God.

The nationwide suffering of the Egyptians could not be denied or hidden. Still, Pharaoh persisted. As each plague grew in power and punishment, one man led his nation in opposition to God. Pharaoh could have avoided the tenth plague. Instead, He chose rebellion and disobedience.

You have a choice. You can choose to harden your heart and embrace your tenth plague. Or you can chose belief and obedience to God.

Think: I can chose between my hard heart and obedience to God.

Pray: "Lord, please make my heart obedient and pliable in Your Hands."

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