

EGYPT IN THE DAY OF VISITATION

There Are Biblical Kingdom Principles That Pertain To:

- A. EGYPT
- B. GOD'S VISITATION
- C. THE TEN PLAGUES

A. Facts About Egypt

1. In scripture EGYPT is symbolic of THE WORLD (system) and SLAVERY to SIN.
2. God called Abraham out of Egypt; Genesis 13:1. God calls each of His covenant people to "come out of" the land of Egypt, away from its influence. This includes devotion to its values, philosophies, interests, practices and lifestyle. It includes the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life.
3. The "son" (ministry, promise) born to Abram through Hagar the Egyptian (a worldly method), must be sent away; Gen. 21:9-14. "Ishmael" is the result of impatience, human reasoning; this is a man-made attempt to bring forth the promise of God; Gal. 4:22-25.
4. Joseph, a type of Jesus Christ, was sold as a slave, and then raised up, in the midst of Egypt, to become a DELIVERER for the people during a time of famine; Genesis 39:1-4.
5. "Pharaoh" is a type of "satan", who RULES OVER the land of EGYPT; his heart is hardened; Exodus 7:13-14. Disease, death and darkness are everywhere upon his land. God said that He has broken the "arms of Pharaoh", the king of Egypt; Ezekiel 30:21-26.
6. Moses had to FORSAKE THE THRONE OF EGYPT to become a deliverer of the Hebrews. The training, wisdom and knowledge he acquired in Egypt could not equip him for this task. Deliverance for the Hebrew nation would not come through the strength of his flesh; Ex. 2:11-15. He fled from Pharaoh's palace, spent 40 years in obscurity, and was drained of all self-sufficiency. Moses had to be made humble, meek and broken.
7. "Israel" (God's chosen people, which consists of both Jews and Gentiles); Galatians 3:29, are LED OUT OF EGYPT, so that they can be led INTO THE PROMISED LAND of God's Kingdom. He wants us to know the abundant life, and the present reality of the Kingdom within us; Exodus 12:31-33; Luke 17:20-21; Romans 14:17
8. The ARMY of Egypt PERISHES by the hand of God; Exodus 14:26-28

B. There Are Appointed Times Of God's Visitation, in which He visits the Earth and "comes down". We see this in both the Old and New Testaments:

1. The Days of God's **visitation** are appointed times; Hosea 9:7,9; Jeremiah 5:29. Some will recognize the Lord's visitation, and some will not. Jesus wept over Jerusalem because she did not know the "time" ("kairos": season, appointed time, opportunity) of her visitation; Luke 19:41-44; John 1:11; Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; Jeremiah 46:21.
2. There is a **visitation** that comes as a result of faith-filled prayer: "...Abraham prayed unto God...And the Lord VISITED Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as he had spoken. For Sarah conceived, and bore Abraham a son..."; Genesis 20:17; 21:1
3. There is a visitation that comes when sin / iniquity is full: "And the Lord said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; I WILL GO DOWN NOW, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me"; Genesis 6:5-22; 11:5-9; 18:20-21; Jonah 1:2.

4. There is a **visitation** that comes as a result of God seeing the affliction of the people and hearing their cries for deliverance: “I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry...And I am COME DOWN to deliver them...”; Exodus 3:7-8.

5. There is a **visitation** that comes as a result of a vow made before God: Hannah made a vow before the Lord in the hope that He would give her a son: “And the Lord VISITED Hannah, so that she conceived...And the child Samuel grew before the Lord”; 1 Samuel 2:21.

6. There was, and shall be, a **visitation** of the WORD HIMSELF, Jesus Christ, Who comes in the “fullness of time”:

a. “But when the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons”; Galatians 4:4-5; Romans 11:25.

b. “And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth”; John 1:14; Luke 7:16

c. “...this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven”; Acts 1:11; John 14:2-3.

7. There is a **visitation** that comes when God “overshadows” His people:

a. “The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall OVERSHADOW thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God”; Luke 1:35.

b. “While he yet spake, behold a bright cloud OVERSHADOWED them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him”; Matthew 17:5

c. “...they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might OVERSHADOW some of them”; Acts 5:15.

8. There was a **visitation** of God in the Passover. It was to be a memorial, a celebration; it is a Feast of the Lord; Leviticus 23. It also points to the Lord’s Supper, instituted by the Lord Jesus; Mark 14:12-25; John 13:1-30; 1 Corinthians 11:23-30.

We will see this visitation again at the conclusion of this Age:

a. A VISITATION of WRATH upon “Pharaoh” (antichrist, satan) and his kingdom, the gods of Egypt; Ex. 10:16; 12:12. The prince of this world is already judged; John 16:11.

b. A VISITATION of DEATH, which points to spiritual death, comes upon those who do not believe, who do not come under the protection of the Blood of Jesus Christ, the Passover Lamb; Revelation 20:14-15; 21:8.

c. A VISITATION of LIFE, which points to eternal life, comes to those who believe, and have found refuge under the Blood of Jesus Christ, the Passover Lamb; they have passed from death to life; John 10:27-28; 1 Corinthians 5:7.

d. A VISITATION of DELIVERANCE:

1. Some Egyptians were delivered when they sought asylum in the houses of the Israelites at the Midnight hour. There was, and shall be again, a “mixed multitude” (Jews and Gentiles) that comes out of the world (the land of Egypt); Exodus 12:38.

2. The Israelites were delivered from slavery and the bondage of Pharaoh’s dominion. They “spoiled the Egyptians” before they left Egypt; Exodus 12:36. This was the beginning of their journey to the Promised Land.

The Ten Plagues

A. The Plagues have both PHYSICAL and SPIRITUAL APPLICATIONS:

1. The number TEN speaks of a COMPLETE TESTING; Daniel 1:12; Revelation 2:10.
2. The Plagues of Egypt are a manifestation of the POWER of God, which is the FINGER of God; they reveal that Yahweh is greater than all gods; Exodus 8:19; 18:10-11
3. God supernaturally protects His people. He said: "That ye may know how that the Lord doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel"; Exodus 8:22-23; 11:7
4. The Father has heard the GROANING CREATION. He uses "great judgments" (plagues) to bring His people out of the land of "Egypt"; Ex. 2:24; 6:5; 7:4; Rom. 8:22-23

B. There are PARALLELS in the book of Exodus and the book of Revelation:

1. God sends "two witnesses" to work miracles; Exodus 7:1, 10; Revelation 11:3-4
2. The enemies of God will also work miracles; Ex. 7:11; 2 Tim. 3:8-9; Rev. 13:13-15
3. The first three plagues touch all people. After that, God makes a distinction between His people and the Egyptians. He gives supernatural protection, placing a division between "Egypt" and His people in "Goshen"; Exodus 8:22-23; Rev. 7:4; 12:6-16

C. The PLAGUES in the books of EXODUS and REVELATION ARE SIMILAR:

1. Water is turned into blood; Exodus 7:14-15; Revelation 8:8
 - a. This points to death "in the seas": literally sea life is perishing, and it is also a reference to death within the turbulent masses, the "seas of humanity"; Rev. 16:3-6
2. "Egypt's River" brings forth "frogs" in abundance; Exodus 8:1-15; Rev. 16:13
 - a. The multiplying of the frogs points to an increase of demonic spirits in the world.
3. Lice appears upon the dust of the land of Egypt; Exodus 8:16-17
 - a. God "smites the dust", the uncleanness and filth of the world. The serpent moves upon and feeds upon the "dust realm"; Genesis 3:14
4. Swarms of "flies" come upon the people, the houses and the land of Egypt; Ex. 8:21
 - a. Unclean "sons of Beelzebub" are not upon God's people or in their dwellings. He puts a division between Egypt and "Goshen"; Matt. 12:24-26; Isaiah 7:18
5. A "grievous murrain" (a bad sickness) comes upon all of Pharaoh's cattle; Ex. 9:1-7
 - a. The Lord judges among the cattle; Ezekiel 34:17-22. "Sacred cows" are slain; all the "cattle in Pharaoh's field" died, but none of the cattle of Israel died.
6. God sends boils and sores upon man and beasts; Exodus 9:8-12; Rev. 16:2
 - a. The condition of the worldly brings a "grievous sore" (mark of the beast?); Is.1:6
7. Thunder with hail and fire descends upon Egypt; Exodus 9:13-35; Rev. 8:7
 - a. "Fiery rocks" fall to Earth from Heaven (asteroids, volcanic or nuclear activity?), smiting everything and everyone that was "in the field of Egypt"; Revelation 16:21
8. A plague of "locusts" are sent; Exodus 10:1-20; Revelation 9:1-11
 - a. These "invaders" make the land desolate. They are the "weapons of His indignation", which destroy the whole land; Isaiah 13:5-9; Deuteronomy 28:38, 42
9. For three days a thick darkness falls upon Egypt; Exodus 10:21-23; Joel 2:2
 - a. God abandons the beast's kingdom, which is full of darkness; Rev. 16:10. The world is alienated from the Light. The "houses" of His people are filled with light; John 12:36
10. Death of Egypt's "firstborn" consumes multitudes; Exodus 11:1-10; Revelation 9:15
 - a. The death of the "firstborn" foretells of the Second Death; Rev. 2:11. Disease, desolation and darkness is everywhere upon "Pharaoh's land".

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