

September 10
Exodus 7

Confrontation



Over 100x throughout the O.T.:
"Yahweh ... the one who brought you up from the
land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage"



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Moses, 1513-15, by Michelangelo
Church of San Pietro in Vincoli, Rome

Exodus

1.	Sept 3	Reluctance	3-4	Moses at Burning Bush
2.	Sept 10	Confrontation	7	Moses before Pharaoh
3.	Sept 17	Liberation	12	Passover – “When I see ... blood”
4.	Sept 24	Victory	14	Moses—Parting of Red Sea
5.	Oct 1	Sufficient	16	Moses—Manna from Heaven
6.	Oct 8	Commanded	20	Moses—Ten Commandments
7.	Oct 15	Equipped	25-31	Moses—Building the Tabernacle
8.	Oct 22	Rebellion	32	Golden Calf & Moses’ Prayer
9.	Oct 29	His Presence	39-40	Glory of Lord Filled Tabernacle

Leviticus

10.	Nov 5	Set Before	1-3	Burnt, Grain, Fellowship Offerings
11.	Nov 12	Set Apart	9-10	Lord’s Fire Consumes Offerings
12.	Nov 19	Set Free	16 & 29	Annual Day of Atonement
13.	Nov 26	Set Futures	26	<i>If You Follow My Statutes</i>

Theme

God displays His power, reminding all that
He alone is worthy of worship

Exodus 7

verse

1-5 Strategy Explained –

They'll KNOW I am LORD

6-7 Simple Obedience –

Moses 80, Aaron 83

8-13 Signs & Wonders –

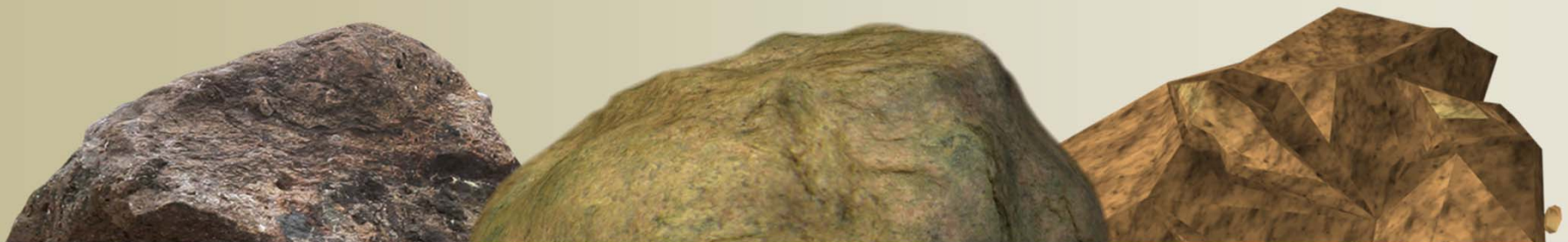
Staff to Serpent



Key Verse Exodus 7:12

**Each one threw down his staff
and it became a snake.**

**But Aaron's staff
swallowed up their staffs.**



Alternate Title

Snake Season

Snake Show ... Come This Way

Snake Eats Snake



Alternate Title Two

My Snake's Badder than Your Snake



How many of you like snakes?

Moses ... with Aaron ... go to

to the Pharaoh of Superpower Egypt

God would make Moses **appear to be a GOD** ...

God would **harden Pharaoh's HEART** ...

First miracle to Pharaoh of Superpower Egypt is

tada ... staff that turns into a snake

Most amazing, the Pharaoh's magicians **DUPLICATE** that

Then Aaron's staff **SWALLOWS the other snakes** ...

For the 21st Century Christian ... this is a load to bear

“Appear to be a god” & “hardening a heart” = **ethical monsters**

Then you have Moses handling snakes



Map of Exodus

LOWER
EGYPT

Goshen

Raamses
(Qantir)

Succoth

Ismalia

Pithom

Great Bitter Lake

Little Bitter Lake

Yam Suph ?

W. Tumulat

W. el-Arish

W. Sidi

W. Feiran

Jebel Magharah

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Beersheba

Arad

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Mount Sinai

Protestant Reformer John Calvin: Sinai & Horeb same Mountain

Eastern side called Sinai ... Western side called Horeb

Several believe it was one mountain with two tops

Don't know exactly where the holy Mt. Sinai is located

Exodus starts in Egypt ...

Quickly, Moses grows to 40

Sees who he is & kills Egyptian

Flees to Midian ...

Another 40 years ...

meets God in a bush



Mount Sinai – 7,500 ft

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Mount Sinai – 7,500 ft

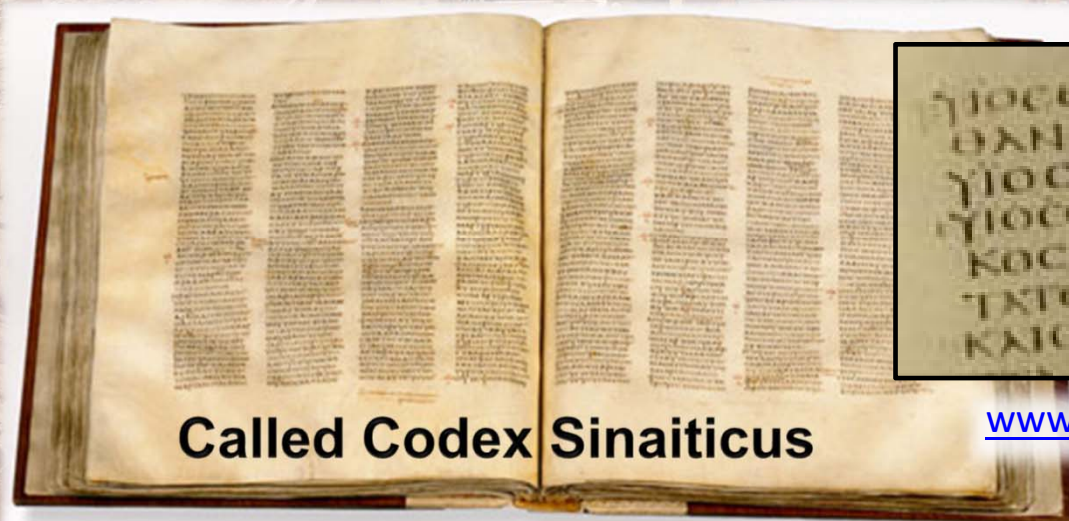
St. Catherine's Monastery – 5,000 ft

Built between A.D. 548-65

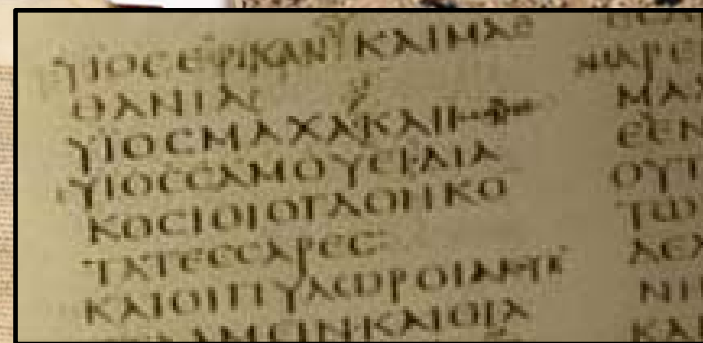
In 1844, 43 leaves of earliest manuscript of the Bible was found

Konstantin von Tischendorf (1815-74) found 100s more

**Oldest Version of N. T.—3rd Century A.D.—good witness
to the Greek Old Testament – the Septuagint, or LXX**

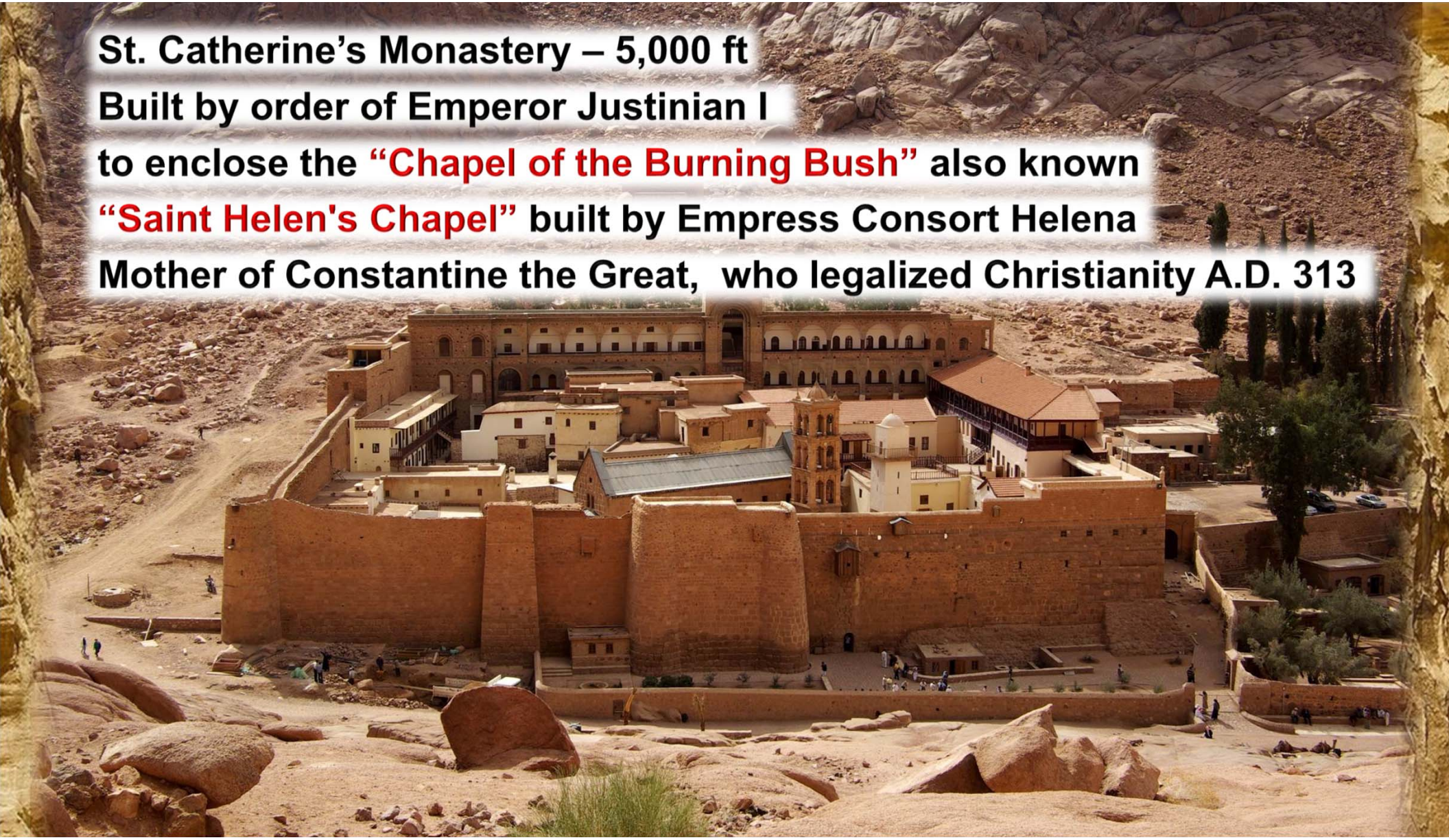


Called Codex Sinaiticus



www.CodexSinaiticus.org/en/

St. Catherine's Monastery – 5,000 ft
Built by order of Emperor Justinian I
to enclose the “Chapel of the Burning Bush” also known
“Saint Helen's Chapel” built by Empress Consort Helena
Mother of Constantine the Great, who legalized Christianity A.D. 313



St. Catherine's Monastery – 5,000 ft



Panorama



450 miles to Goshen in Lower Egypt

Map of Exodus

LOWER
EGYPT

Goshen

0 10 20 30 40 50 Miles

THE ROUTE OF THE EXODUS

EXOD. 13:17-19:3,
NUM. 10:11-12:16; 33:1-36

- Northern route
- Central route
- Alternate central route
- Southern route
- Alternate route from Jebel Musa to Kadesh-barnea
- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak
- ▲ Possible locations for Mt. Sinai
- Major river

"The Route of the Exodus"
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One explanation is that Midian encompassed both sides of Gulf of Aqaba

Ex. 3:1, Moses keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

... LONG distances ...

Moses talks to God: Ex. 3:1 to 4:17

4:18, Moses back to Jethro asking leave to go to Egypt

Sinai

Wilderness of Sin

MIDIAN

0 10 20 30 40 50 Miles
0 10 20 30 40 50 Kilometers

Map of Exodus

LOWER
EGYPT

Goshen

Zoan

Ramesses
(Qantir)

On
(Heliopolis)

El-Arish

Beersheba

Arad

Kir-hareseth

MOAB

AMALEK

Negeb

The

NUM. 10

- ← Northern route
- ← Central route
- ← Alternate route
- ← Southern route
- ← Alternate route Musa to Kadesh
- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak
- ▲ Possible locations for Mt. Sinai
- Major roads

0 10 20 30 40 50 Miles
0 10 20 30 40 50 Kilometers

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Oklahoma about 430 Miles Wide

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Aaron
goes to
Moses

450 Miles

Ex. 4:20, Moses & wife to Egypt via Sinai

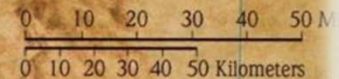
Ex. 4:27, The LORD said to Aaron,
"Go into the wilderness to meet Moses."

So Aaron met Moses at the
Mountain of God and kissed him.

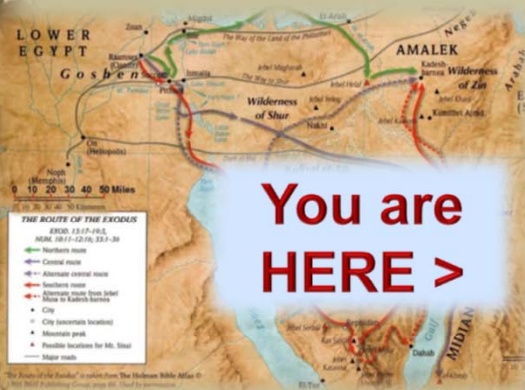
Ex. 4:27-28 – Moses tells ALL to Aaron

Ex. 4:29-31, Moses & Aaron /N Egypt
Gather Elders of Israel

... Absent is 450-mile Trip to Egypt ...



Exodus and MOSES



I. Preparation for Deliverance	1 to 4
a. Hebrew Slavery	1
b. Deliverer in Exile	2
c. Reluctant Deliverer Called	3-4
II. Moses Confronts Pharaoh	5 to 13
a. Moses & Pharaoh #1: straw taken	5:1-23
b. God's covenant reminder	6:1-13
c. Genealogies of Moses and Aaron	6:14-30
d. Moses & Pharaoh #2: rod to serpent	7:1-13
e. The Ten Plagues	7:13-12:36
<i>Rest of the Book of Exodus</i>	
III. Freedom Gained	13 to 15
IV. Into the Wilderness to Sinai	15 to 18
V. At the Foot of Mount Sinai	19 to 24
VI. Building the Tabernacle	25 to 40

MOSES
80 yrs Old

Moses & Aaron on Mission ... Arrive in Egypt

Exodus and MOSES

II. Moses Confronts Pharaoh

5 to 13

...

d. Moses & Pharaoh #2: rod to serpent

7:1-13

e. The Ten Plagues

7:13-12:36

Intriguing as Pharaoh's heart **HARDENS**

Magicians duplicate the 1st & 2nd Plagues
of Blood & Frogs with their "Secret Arts"

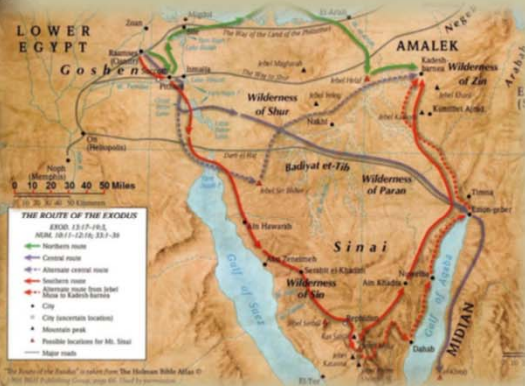
After the 3rd Plague ... something happens

After 3rd Plague of **Gnats / Lice**, they say 8:19:

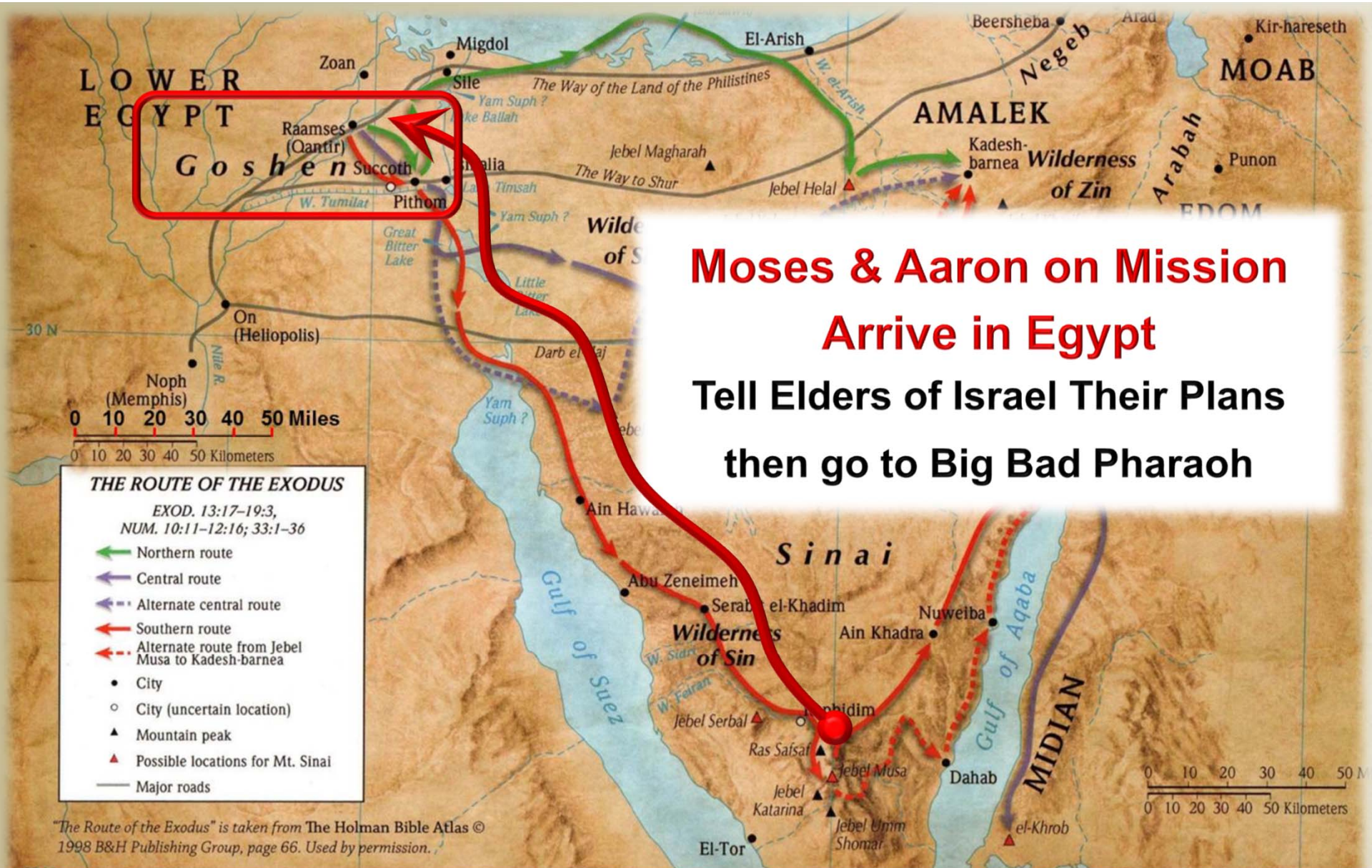
Magicians said to Pharaoh,

"This is the finger of God."

Few things more horrible than swarms of Gnats



Moses & Aaron on Mission
Arrive in Egypt
Tell Elders of Israel Their Plans
then go to Big Bad Pharaoh



Egypt

If the early date,
Pharaoh Thutmose III, 1479–1425 B.C.

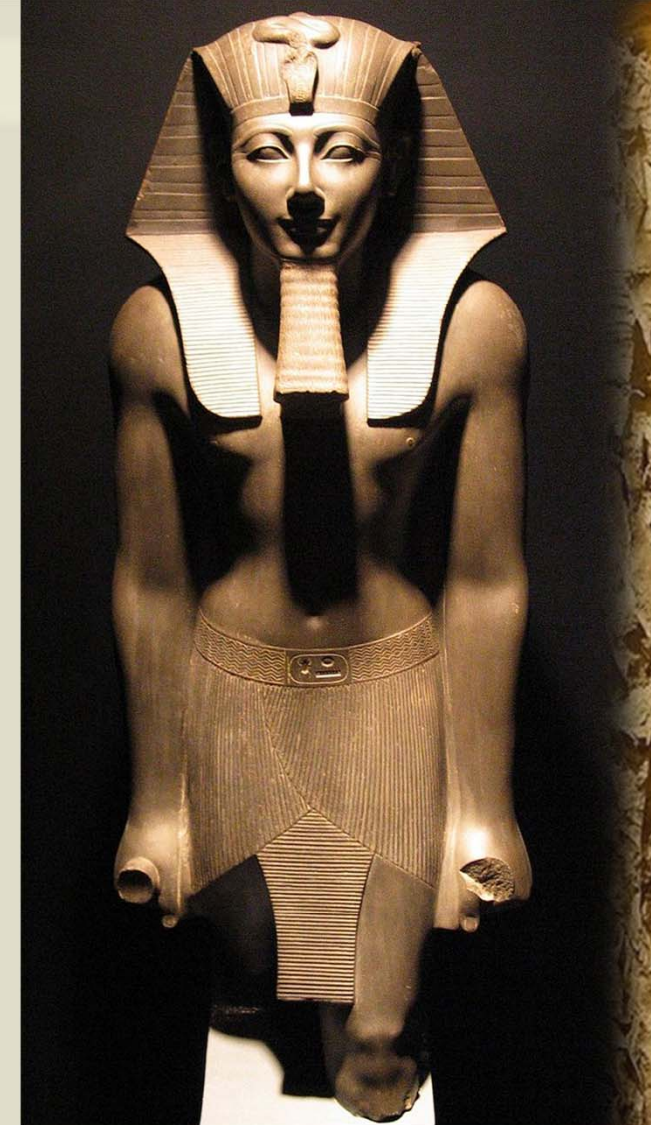
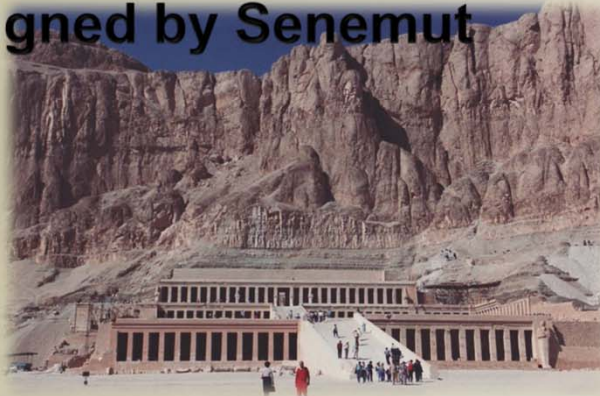
Extraordinary Prosperity

1st 22 yrs co-regent with
Step-mother Hatshepsut's

54 yrs in all ... expanding Egypt's Empire
to unprecedented heights – 17 campaigns

Hatshepsut's mortuary temple complex
at Deir el-Bahri, designed by Senemut
magnificent

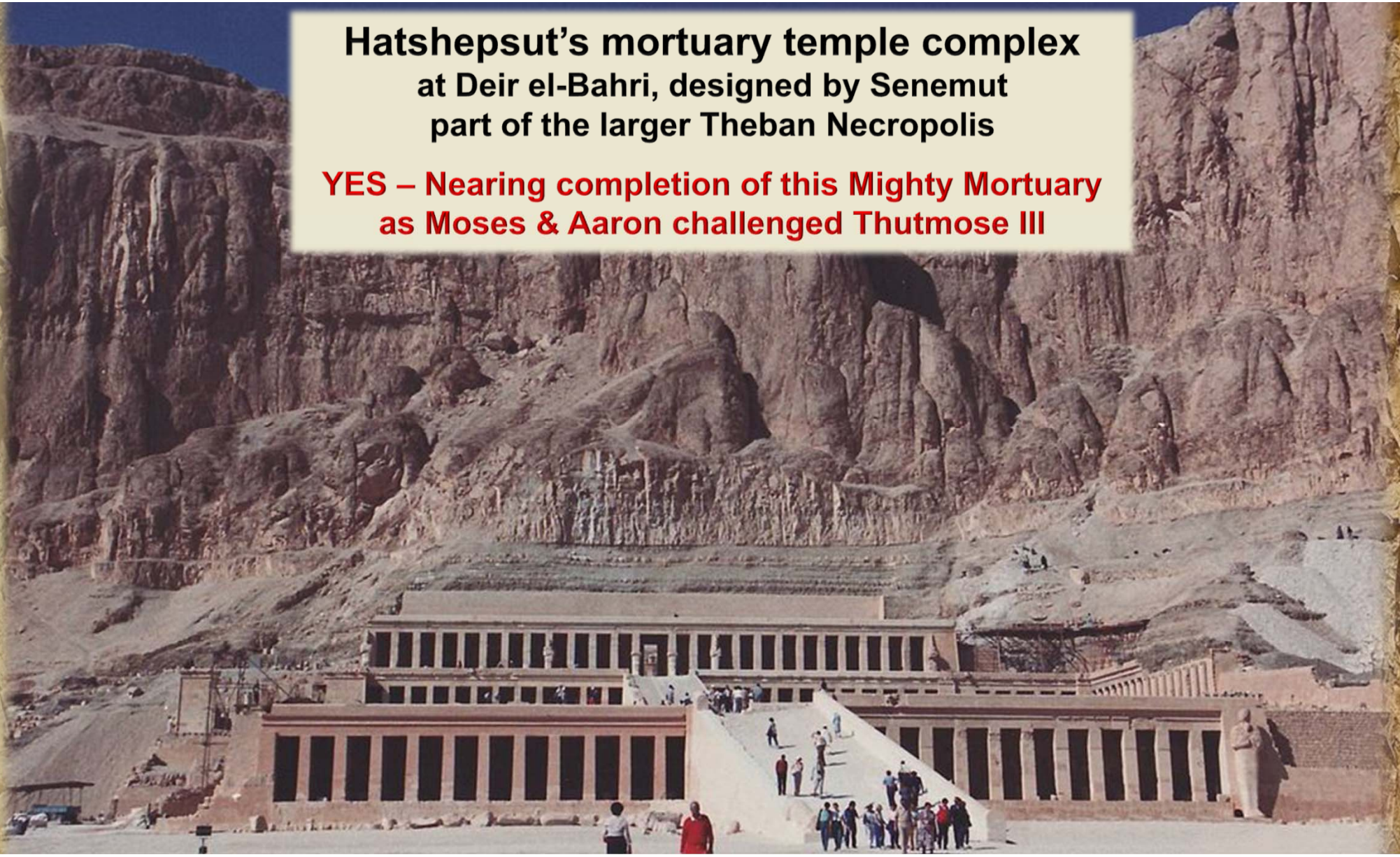
part of the larger
Theban Necropolis



Thutmose III in Luxor Museum

**Hatshepsut's mortuary temple complex
at Deir el-Bahri, designed by Senemut
part of the larger Theban Necropolis**

**YES – Nearing completion of this Mighty Mortuary
as Moses & Aaron challenged Thutmose III**



Egypt

Thutmose III, 1479–1425 B.C. ...

Egypt's greatest conqueror
or "**the Napoleon of Egypt**"

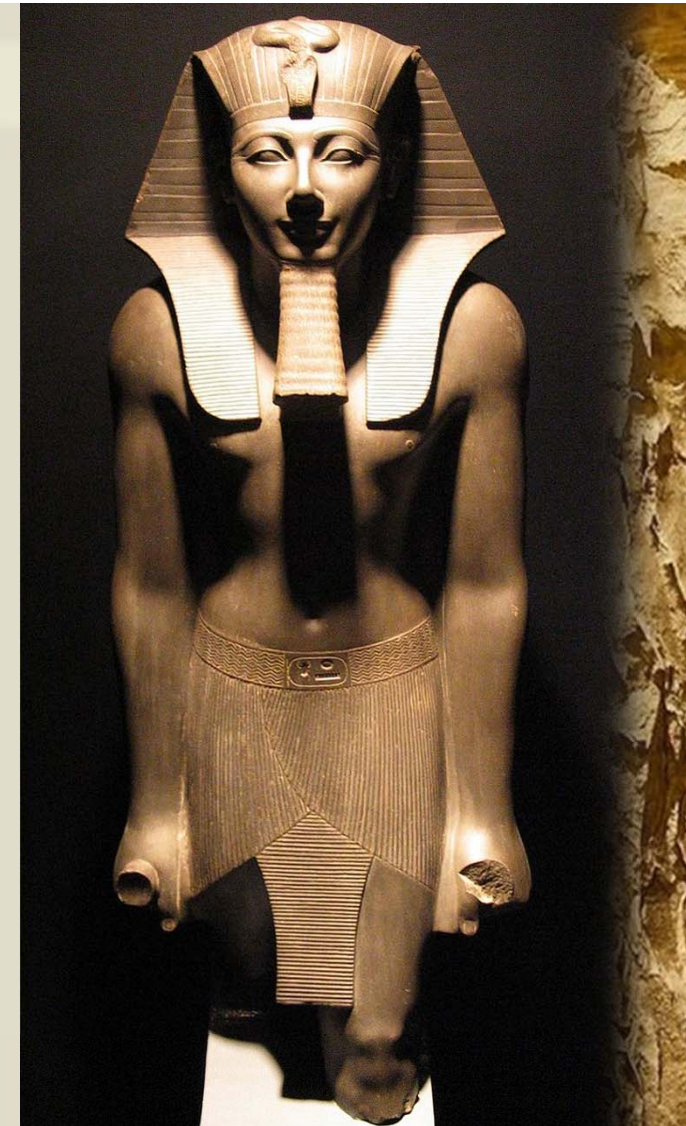
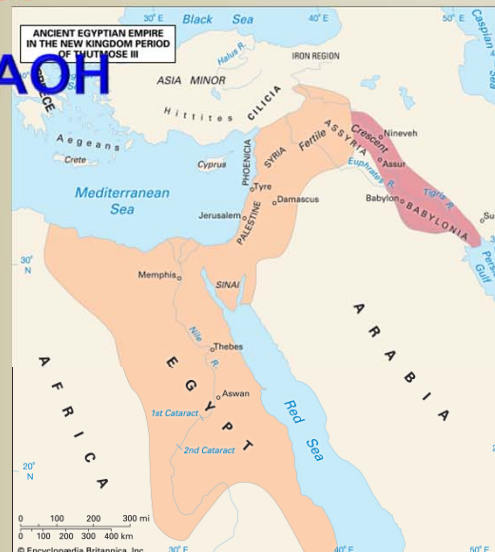
Said he captured 350 cities from the
Euphrates in Assyria to Nubia

Yuuge kingdom, c. **1457 B.C.**

Also called **BUILING PHARAOH**

Built some 50 temples

Most of his attention
given to Karnak



Thutmose III in Luxor Museum

Egypt

Pharaoh Thutmose III

Hebrew Exodus c. 1447 B.C.

Moses & Aaron enter the
courts of one of the

Most successful ...

Conquering ...

Building ...

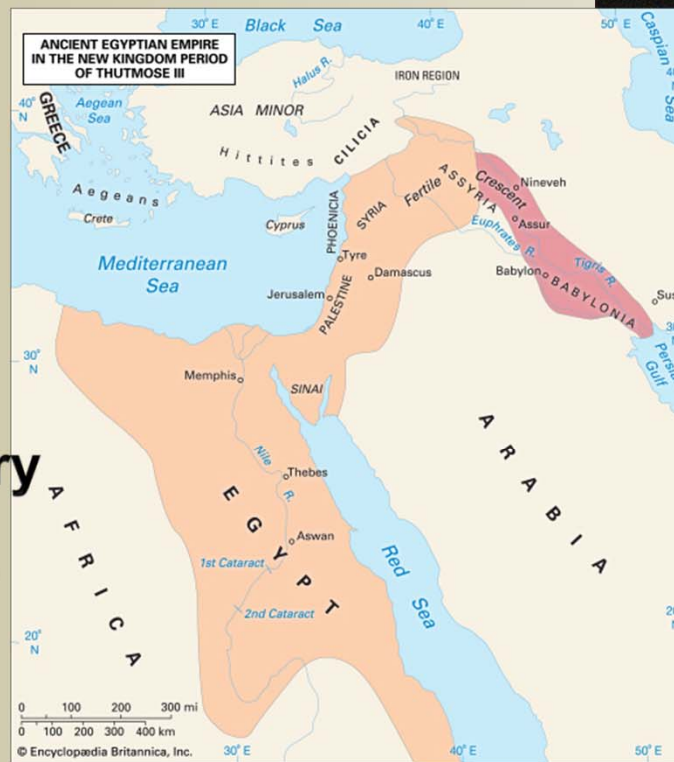
Pharaohs in Egypt's history

For all we can conceive ...

Pharaoh Thutmose III was

King of the WORLD

Thutmose III
1479–1425 B.C.
Napoleon of Egypt



Tuthmosis III in Luxor Musuem

7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

Just before Moses & Aaron meet Hardhead Thutmose III

God briefs Moses on what WILL TAKE PLACE ...

Sharp Diplomats FEEL how things will go

BEFORE the meeting

- ¹ Then the LORD said to Moses,
“See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh,
and your brother Aaron will be your prophet.
 - ² You are to say everything I command you,
and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh
to let the Israelites go out of his country.
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7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

God tells Moses & Aaron to go to

Pharaoh—King of the World

Tell him to WHAT? ...

“Let My People GO!”

Let his

entire Slave Force go FREE



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

Moses, a what? ... a God to Pharaoh

Aaron, a what? ... a Prophet to Moses

Oh my ... we don't have time to look this well

At the beginning of Israel's SALVATION

We have Moses a god & Aaron his prophet

In Revelation, at the end of earth, we have

Anti-Christ and his Prophet ... *whhhaattt?*

We know not all the implications there ...

But over 100x in the O.T. ... **YHWH** brought them out of bondage

God tells Moses & Aaron to go to the **Pharaoh—King of the World**

Tell Pharaoh ... **Let My People GO!** ... his entire Slave Force



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

Then God says some things that convolute our minds

God tells Moses hard things for our 21st Christian Heart to Hear

**³ But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though
I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt,**

⁴ he will not listen to you.

**Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with
mighty acts of judgment I will bring out
my divisions, my people the Israelites.**

⁵ And the Egyptians will know that

I am the LORD

**when I stretch out my hand against Egypt
and bring the Israelites out of it.**



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

God will “harden Pharaoh’s heart”—*really?*

³ But I will harden Pharaoh’s heart ...

⁴ he will not listen to you.

How is that? Then God says:

I will lay my hand on Egypt ...

God will Harden Pharaoh’s Heart

Then **BECAUSE** of Pharaoh’s Hard Heart

Punish the People of Egypt?

Not the most LOVING thing for God to do

Why punish Pharaoh (& people) ... if GOD hardened the HEART?



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

God will “harden Pharaoh’s heart”—*really?*

This nearly inscrutable piece of ethics *twists us*

We do NOT know what this fully means ... IF

IF ... IF ... IF ...

IF not just what it says.

God HARDENED Pharaoh’s HEART!

Where is FREE WILL?

Where is the human capacity to REPENT?

If GOD had NOT hardened ... what then?

Would Pharaoh have let the Hebrews go WITHOUT 10 plagues?



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

One thing we all OUGHT to know about the Bible

God and the Bible do **NOT PLAY GAMES**

Moses asked, “What if they ask ‘What is His Name?’ What shall I tell them?”

God said, “I AM WHO I AM.”

God HARDENED Pharaoh's HEART!

God is JUST ... Absolutely Holy ...

Therein ... we must have FAITH that God

That God did RIGHT ... **absolutely RIGHT**

God HARDENEND Pharaoh's Heart ... without

Without Changing Pharaoh's Free Will



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

Pharaoh ... as all pharaohs before him ...

They were worshipped ... HIGHER than a King

Several Pharaohs WERE gods in Egypt

God HARDENED Pharaoh's Heart ... yeah

Yet be assured Pharaoh was **ALREADY HARD**

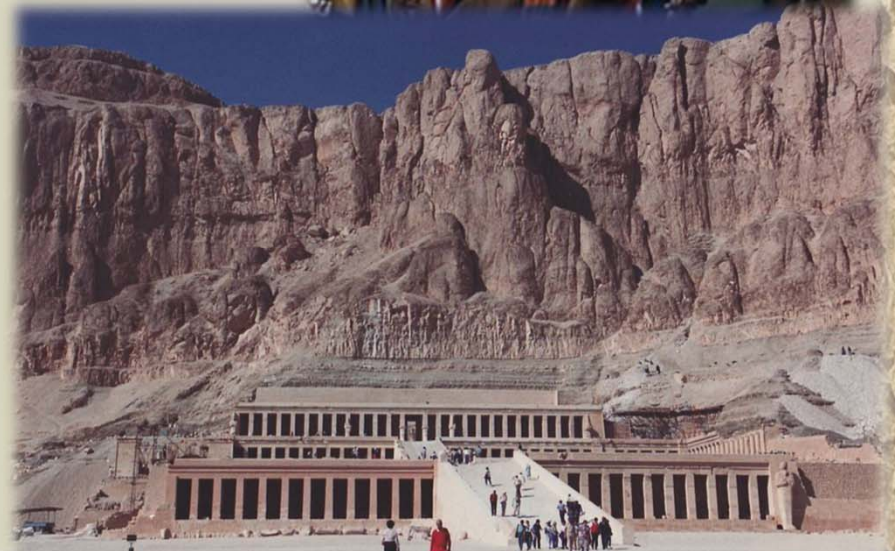
Pharaoh—**King of the World**

If Thutmose III ... Pharaoh,

Napoleon of Egypt

Pharaoh—the Big

Building Pharaoh



7:1-5 Strategy Explained – They'll KNOW I am LORD

God hardened Pharaoh's heart!

SOUNDS like God reached down, fired up his
forge, and pounded STEEL out of BRONZE

But there is ANOTHER look ...

Perhaps ... as God worked, one plague after
another plague ...

It was God's miraculous signs & plagues that
hardened Pharaoh ... *therein God hardened*

10x in similar words ... "God hardened Pharaoh"

And 10x, in similar words ... "Pharaoh hardened his own heart?"

Whatever is fully meant ... God was not ALONE at the FORGE!

God was not ALONE at the FORGE!



Church Father Theodoret (A.D. 393–466), Bishop of Cyrrhus near N. T. Antioch ... commented on this:

**The sun, by the force of its heat,
moistens the wax and dries the clay,
softening the one and hardening the other;
and as this produces opposite effects by the
same power, so, through the longsuffering
of God, which reaches to all,
some receive good and others evil,
some are softened and others hardened.**

To *better* grapple with Pharaoh's hard HEART

**We should look at the Role of Snakes in
Ancient Israel & Egypt?**



7:8-13 Signs & Wonders – Staff to Serpent

Ancient Egyptians Revered snakes ... *listen to this!*

Cosmic Snake Gods sought to destroy ... and to help

Wadjet – hooded cobra goddess on Pharaoh's Crown over
Lower Egypt ... snake god helped PROTECT Pharaoh

That is not all ... Canaanites worshipped snakes ... several
snake symbols, lot of nudity ... bloody, killing young & old

Leviticus 11:29-31, snakes are *unclean* in long list of animals

You know then ... what this means ...

If the Exodus is c. 1447 B.C. ... that is 3,000 years before A.D. 1492

1,000 years before the Golden Age of Greece ...

To the Egyptians & Canaanites **Hebrews are WEIRD w only One God**



7:8-13 Signs & Wonders – Staff to Serpent

Mythical Path of snakes crosses many cultures
for many millennia

Geoffrey Parrinder, *Encountering World Religions*
(NY, 1987; pg. 128), on reincarnation in primitive Africa:

Reincarnation ... in **African** expressions is rebirth on to this warm earth to perpetuate the family of the past,

whereas in **Asia** it is often an effort to get away from the sufferings of this life into the indescribable bliss of Nirvana.

A symbol of **rebirth in African art is the snake**, which sheds its skin to go on living, and which with its tail in its mouth is an apt representation of an endless circle, a **ring of eternity**.

WORLD ... the COSMOS ... what is above in the HEAVENS

What is below in Sheol or Hades in 1447 B.C. ... **WEIRD IDEAS**



7:8-13 Signs & Wonders – Staff to Serpent

Greek writer Lucian of Samosata (A.D. 125–180) calls Alexander of Abonuteichos (105-170) a **SWINDLER**

This 2nd century Alexander was a cultist who made a puppet of the snake god Glycon ... **that could MOVE**

Lucian described the statue as having

a serpent head of linen, which had something of a human look, was all painted up, and

appeared very lifelike. It would open and close its mouth by means of horse hairs, and a

forked black tongue like a snake's, also controlled by horse hairs, would dart out.

A charlatan, false prophet 2000 years ago



Glycon, 2nd-cen. Statue
National History & Archeology Museum
Constanța, Romania

6-7 Simple Obedience – Moses 80, Aaron 83

God explains what has been on His mind ...

⁶ Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD commanded them.

**⁷ Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three
when they spoke to Pharaoh.**

At 80, Moses ... at 83 Aaron ... their **Most Important Work *BEGAN***

Began at Retirement Age ...

Never underestimate an older man or woman

He or she has lived long

For a Reason

7:8-13 Signs & Wonders – Staff to Serpent

God explains what has been on His mind ...

⁸ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

⁹ “When Pharaoh says to you, ‘Perform a miracle,’
then say to Aaron, ‘Take your staff and throw it
down before Pharaoh,’ and it will become a SNAKE.”

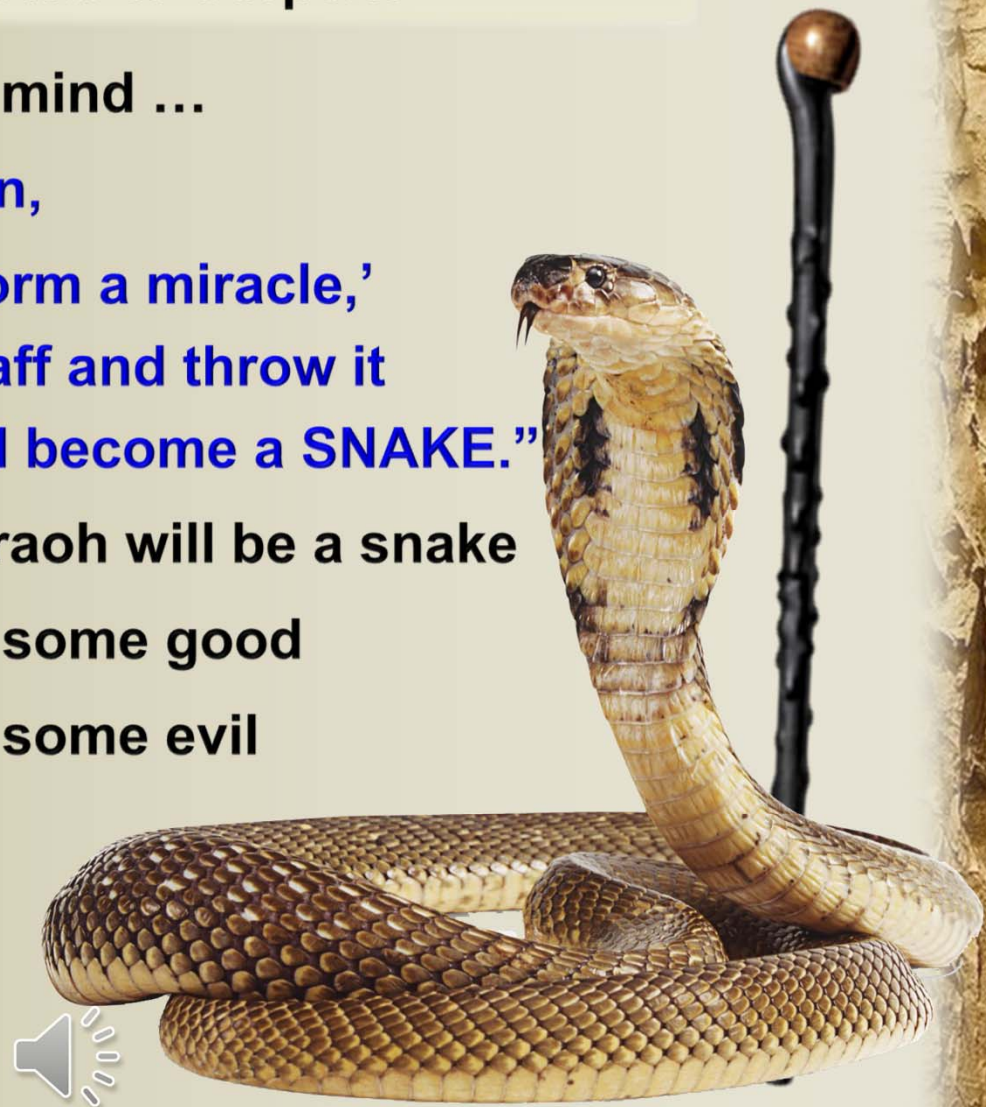
A SNAKE ... the first miracle to Pharaoh will be a snake

Snakes ... some good

Snakes ... some evil

Bible has many
words translated

Snake or Serpent



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SERPENT & SNAKE translate **SEVERAL TERMS**

Exodus 4:3, when Moses throw his staff down on Mt. Sinai,
it turned into a *nachash*, generic for serpent / snake

Hebrew *sardah* usually refers to **venomous** snakes
several times, *nachash* w *sardah* = fiery serpent = **venomous!**

Isaiah 30:6, has the “**flying fiery serpent**” = leap from a tree

Hebrew *akshub* & *pethen* & *tsepha* = adder or **coiling snake**

Hebrew *epheh* = viper, venomous snakes = root in **hissing**



SERPENT & SNAKE translate **SEVERAL TERMS**

YET—**Exodus 7:9**, the Hebrew *tannin* is hardest of all

tannin = snake, sea serpent, large reptile, crocodile

LXX, Septuagint ... Greek O.T. translated *tannin*

Exodus 7:9 *tannin* was translated **DRAGON**
into Greek

different SNAKES & characteristics—no certainty



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Old Testament writers KNEW ... *wish we did*

Job extols God's grand oversight ... then in Job 26:13, KJV

**By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens;
his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.**

Also clear ...

SNAKE is a symbol & metaphor for evil & Satan

Jesus called the Pharisees “deadly as serpents”

Matt. 23:33



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In Luke 10:1-20, a remarkable passage
72 disciples are sent ***“TWO by TWO”***

10:17, the 72 return **ASTONISHED** that even demons
are subject to Jesus' name ... then Jesus said:

10:19, **Behold, I have given you authority to tread
on SERPENTS and SCORPIONS,
and over ALL the power of the enemy,
and NOTHING SHALL HURT YOU.**



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Snakes ... not everyone's favorite topic

Four Narratives in the Bible involve these lovely creatures

1. **Gen. 3:1-15** begins, “**Now the serpent was more crafty**”
Serpent goes onto to chit-chat with innocent Eve
2. **Ex. 4:3-5** long dialogue on **Mt. Sinai**, **God tells Moses to throw his staff on the ground—poof, into a snake—Moses runs**
God tells Moses to grab it by the tail ...
3. **Num. 21:6-9** Israelites complain ... **God sends venomous snakes**
They repent ... Moses makes **bronze snake on a pole**
Whoever LOOKS up at the snake-on-a-pole is HEALED
4. **Ex. 7:8-13** our passage of the hour ...

Snake on a Pole? ... connects antiquity to TODAY



Greeks call this the **Rod of Asclepius**, or Staff of Asclepius
Wielded by the Greek god Asclepius, god of healing
snakes would slither on the floor of Greek medical dormitories
Sometimes confused **Staff of Hermes**, the caduceus.
Hermes: Greek god who conducted folks into afterlife
Staff of Hermes had two snakes wrapped around
a winged staff with carvings of the other gods
It has been used as the symbol of commerce, too
U.S. uses Staff of Hermes for medicine
As Army Medical Corps



Coat of Arms of Finland



Caduceus
Staff of
Hermes



Rod
of
Asclepius

O.T. scholars Keil and Delitzsch say Exodus 7 is

“distinctly related to the art of snake-charming”

of the Psylli in ancient Egypt ... and—perhaps—the Israelites gave the term *tannin* to the snakes used in that “charming”

Psylli = ancient Berber tribe of snake handlers, trained from infancy with snake bites & immune to venom

Snake Charming today in Egypt, Arabia, India

Sadly—catch this— in 2011, NPR reported that
you’re going to love this

Snake Charming in India is a DYING ART ...

Get it ... **Dying Art** ... hahahaha

NEW Berber **Psylli** is NOT the origin of

SILLY



Snake Charmer in India

www.NPR.org/2011/08/08/139086119/in-india-snake-charmers-are-losing-their-sway



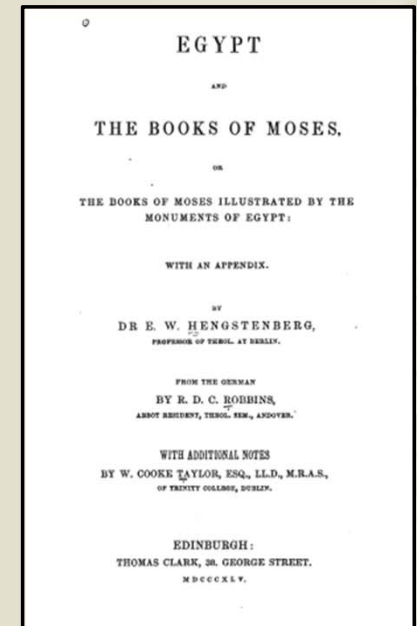
In his 1845 [Egypt & the Books of Moses](#),
German Professor E. W. Hengstenberg said:

In the religious festivals, the Psylli appear
entirely naked, with the neck, arms, and other
parts of the body coiled around by serpents,
which they permit to sting and tear ...

They are able ... to change the ... serpent ...
into a rod, and compel them to feign themselves dead....

they spit in the throat of the animal, compel it to
shut up its mouth, and lay it down upon the ground....

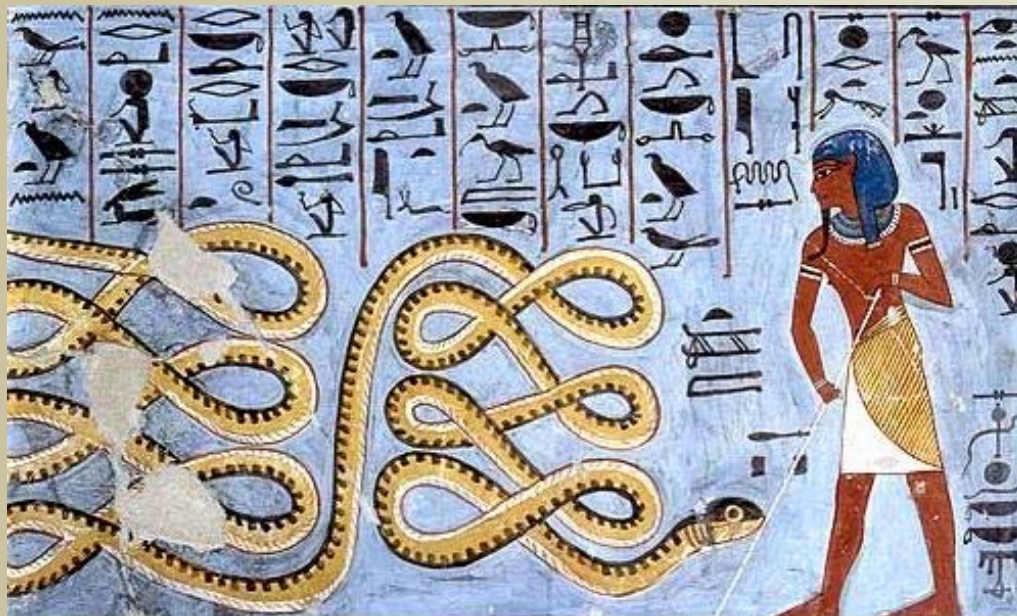
lay their hand upon its head, and immediately the serpent,
stiff and motionless, falls into a kind of torpor.



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Ancient Egyptians had Five (5) Snake Gods

1. **Apophis / Apep** tried to destroy sun every day, failed each day, it was reconstituted each day ...
it was adversary to Maat, god of order, justice, truth in universe



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Egyptian had Five (5) Snake Gods

2. Ouroboros “Tail Swallower” – kind cosmic protector god
huge serpent encircling world,
shielding from chaos – *many cultures use this*



Ouroboros - copy of 1478 drawing by Theodoros Pelecanos, of an alchemical tract attributed to Synesius



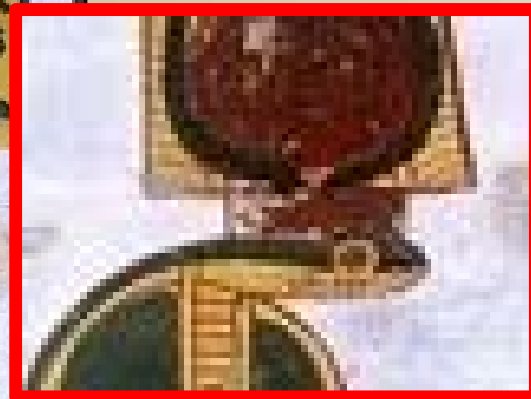
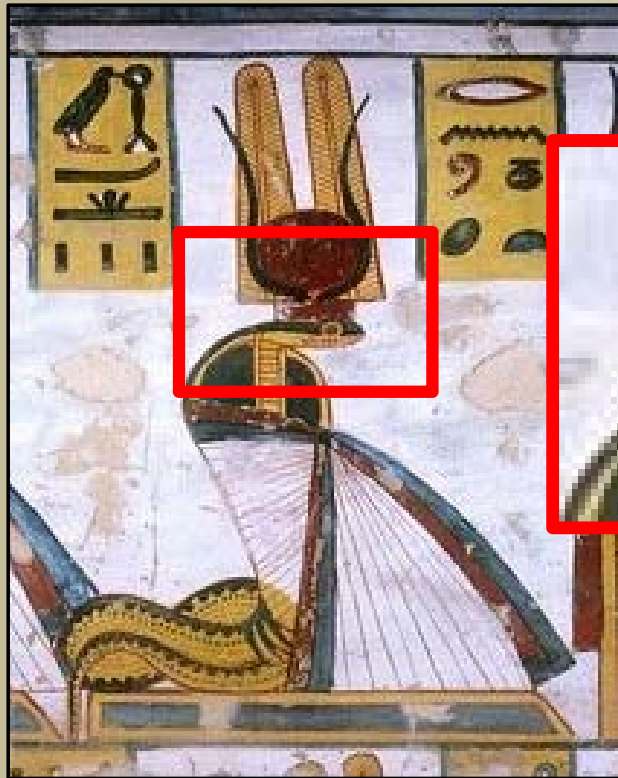
Ouroboros surrounding a scarab
on a Gnostic gem from Roman-era
Egypt, 1st century A.D.,
with magic words



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Egyptian had Five (5) Snake Gods, each with special

3. **Renenutet** “to Nurse” – Hooded Cobra, female god;
related to fields, granaries, wine cellars



Renenutet



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Egyptian had Five (5) Snake Gods

4. **Meretseger** goddess worshiped by tomb builders,
god protector of house
name means, “**She who lives in silence**”

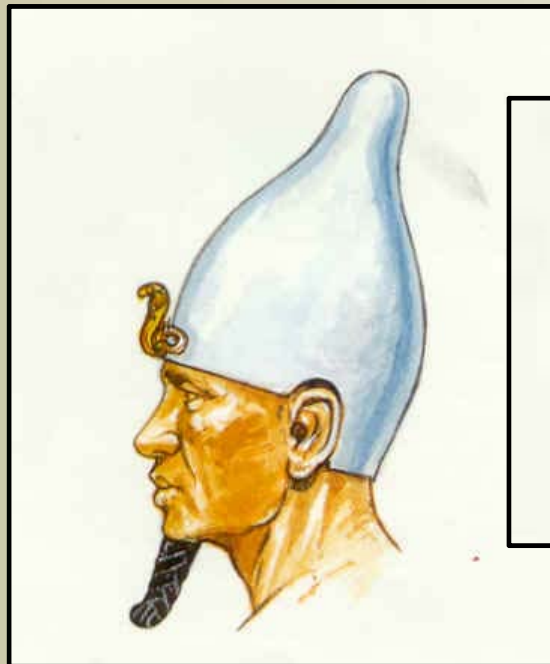
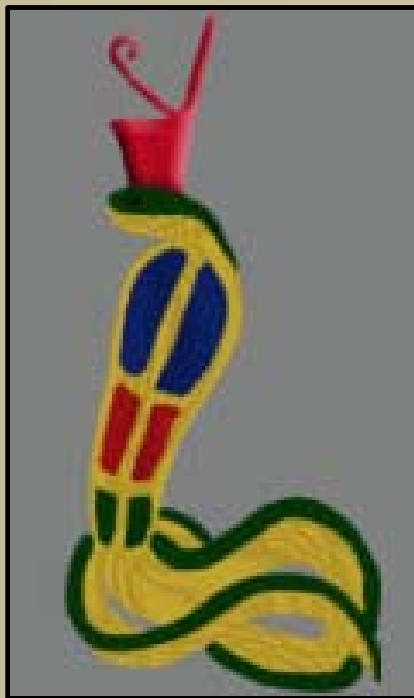


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5. Wadjet Goddess of Lower Egypt ... one of oldest mythical mother of pharaohs

Worn on the Pharaoh's crown of Lower Egypt



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Worn on the pharaoh's crown

Religion is integral to every part of Ancient Egyptian life

FIVE snake gods or goddesses ... among very **MANY** deities



Ancient Egyptian gods & goddesses

Goddesses

Amentet

Ammit

Anput

Anat

Anuket

Apis – bull

Bast

Bat

Hathor

Hatmehyt

Hededet

Hemsut

Heget

Hesat

labet

Isis

Kauket

Kebechet

Ma'at

Menhet

★ Meretseger

Meskhenet

Mut

Naunet

Nehmetawy

Nekhbet

Neith

Nephthys

Nut

Qadesh

★ Renenutet

Renpet

Satet (Satis)

Sekhmet

Seshat

Serqet (Selkit)

Sopdet (Sothis)

Taweret

Tayet

Tefnut

Tjenenet

★ Wadjet

Weret-hekau

★ Snake Gods



Isis – one of oldest

^ Click each go to definition or see www.AncientEgyptOnline.co.uk

Ancient Egyptian gods & goddesses

Gods

Ahy (Ihy)
Am-heh
Amun
Andjety
Anhur / Onuris
Anubis
★ Apep (Apophis)
Aten
Atum
Banebdjed
Bes
Geb
Hapi
Heka (Hike)
Heryshef

Horus
Horus the Elder
Horus Behedet
Horus son of Isis
Horakhty
Horemakhet
Khentykhem
Imiut
Khentiamentiu
Khepri (Kheper)
Kherty (Cherti)
Khonsu
Khnum
Kuk
Maahes (Mihos)

Maahaf
Min
Montu
Nefertum
Nun
Osiris
Ptah
Ra (Re)
Reshep
Sahu
Serapis
Sepa
Set
Shai
Shu

Sobek
Sokar
Sopdu (Sopedu)
Thoth
Wepwawet

★ **Snake Gods**

★ **Ouroboros**
god or goddess

Ra
Sun God
one of most
important gods



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So then ... Moses and Aaron go to Pharaoh ...

¹⁰ So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the LORD commanded.

Aaron threw his staff down in front of Pharaoh and his officials, and it became a **SNAKE**.

¹¹ Pharaoh then summoned wise men and sorcerers, and the Egyptian magicians also did the same things by their secret arts:

¹² Each one threw down his staff and it became a **SNAKE**.

But Aaron's staff **SWALLOWED** up their staffs.

¹³ Yet Pharaoh's heart became **HARD** and he would not listen to them, just as the LORD had said.

Lord sends Moses back 8x for Ten Plagues 7:13-12:36



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Now in the presence of the King of the World ...



Near Goshen which is in Lower Egypt ... Pharaoh ...

Pharaoh—wearing the image of **Snake God Wadjet on his CROWN!**
believes in MANY gods ... including **SNAKE God Protecting HIM**

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Now in the presence of the **King of the World ...**



with Snake God Wadjet on his CROWN!

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And the OFFICIALS and SORCERERS ... they, too

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There is a message to Pharaoh ... clear as day ...

But Pharaoh of Lower Egypt does not see the message ...

¹³ Yet Pharaoh's heart became **HARD** and
he would not listen to them, just as the LORD had said.

Lord sends Moses back 8x for Ten Plagues 7:13-12:36



What is the message to Pharaoh?

**Egyptian magicians ... Each one threw down his staff
and it became a snake.**

Aaron's staff *SWALLOWED* up their staffs.

More than YHWH swallowing Egyptian gods ...

Egyptian gods are NOT gods ... only magic tricks ... good TRICKS

The message to Pharaoh Thutmose III (or Ramses) is this:

Mr. Pharaoh—your gods are nothing

Mr. Pharaoh—your kingdom shall be conquered

Mr. Pharaoh—'tis YHWH God through Moses who's in CHARGE



What is the message to Pharaoh?

Aaron's staff **SWALLOWED** up their staffs.

One of the most important parts of Egyptian **CULTURE**

Egypt's **entire RELIGION** of gods & goddesses was **SWALLOWED**

Egypt's **WISEST** men ... magicians & sorcerers were **QUACKS**

Pharaoh's **ENTIRE** way of life for 1,000+ years was **SWALLOWED**

Mr. Pharaoh ... King of the World

YHWH God of SLAVES

through Moses is in CHARGE

But Pharaoh ... with his hard heart ... did not see ...



Now how does this apply to YOU and Me today?

Fairly easily ... in Christ ...

If your **LIFE** ... and your **LIVING** ...

If your old life was not swallowed ... taken away

If your old life was not overcome ... by God

You cannot see either ...



That is ... unless your LIFE is swallowed by God

Totally consumed ... from tail to your forked tongue

Unless your old life is past ... and your whole **HEART** new

Then you and I are not **FREE** from our **HARD HEARTS** either



In Phil. 3, beloved Apostle Paul said it so *exquisitely*

⁸ I consider everything a loss
because of the surpassing worth of
knowing Christ Jesus my Lord,
for whose sake I have lost all things.

I consider them *GARBAGE*,
that I may *GAIN CHRIST*

⁹ and be found in him,
not having a righteousness of my own ...
but that which is through faith in Christ....

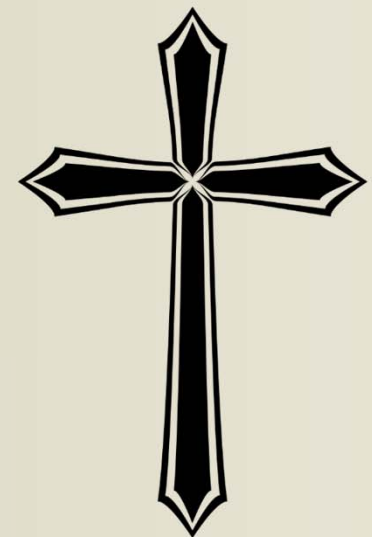


In Phil. 3—Noble Apostle Paul said it so *exquisitely*

¹⁰ I want to know Christ—
yes, to know the power of his resurrection
and participation in his sufferings,
becoming like him in his death,

¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the
Resurrection from the dead.

Wholly Given to God



FBC Woodville
Sunday School Class
Michael G. Maness
see
PreciousHeart.net/SS

