Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

UNLEASHING THE POWER OF GOD

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PART 1: FAITH & SPIRITUAL POWER

CARNAL AND SPIRITUAL WEAPONS

The Bible clearly states there are two kinds of weapons available to mankind. The weapons in the spirit world are vastly superior to any weapons that man can manufacture in the physical world. God does not trust mankind with spiritual weapons because of his sinful nature and they therefore are off limits.

How are we then supposed to fight the Devil and his fallen angels? God has set up a system where holy angels use spiritual weapons on behalf of God's people. **2 Corinthians 10:3-6**

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

God selected Moses to be the man that would set the children of Israel free, guide them out of Egypt and into the Promised Land. Since Pharaoh employed magicians (witches) to control the people of Egypt, spiritual weapons had to be used to combat these men possessed by evil spirits.

The magicians in themselves did not possess spiritual weapons, but by praying and yielding to the demon gods they worshiped, demons would utilize spiritual weapons on the people that the magicians wanted destroyed.

THE ROD

God made two spiritual weapons available to Moses; turning a rod into a snake and making his hand infected with leprosy. **Exodus 4:1-7**

God told Moses and Aaron to confront Pharaoh and display their supernatural signs. Moses was not in control of this sign; it was an angel that converted the rod into a snake. Moses' job was to bring the rod to the court of Pharaoh and throw it on the ground in faith. **Exodus 7:8-10**

Pharaoh's magicians were also able to make serpents with their rods through the power of Satan but God showed that He was greater by using His serpent to eat the other serpents. **verses 11-12**

TURNING WATER INTO BLOOD

God could have easily shaken up Pharaoh by Himself with supernatural power but the Lord wants His people involved in the spiritual fight against the Devil. It was necessary for Moses to display faith and courage before God would unleash the power. Moses was told to use his rod a second time for the next attack. **verses 15-21**

The magicians were able to call upon their demon gods and duplicate turning water into blood. **verse 22**



THE FROGS

God increased the use of spiritual weapons and this time Aaron would be the man of faith that used the rod. **Exodus 8:5-6**

The magicians again used their demon gods to match this spiritual feat. verse 7

The frogs were created with spiritual power and had to be removed by spiritual power. This time Moses did not use the rod; instead, he cried out in prayer to the Lord and God used his angels to kill off the frogs. **verses 8-14**

THE LICE

The time had come for God to unleash a spiritual weapon that the magicians could not match. Aaron was told to use the rod to smite the ground and it produced lice that infested the land of Egypt. **verses 16-17**

The magicians, with the help of their demon gods, had previously been able to match the spiritual weapons of God, but this time they were unable to do so.

It is interesting that the magicians thought that Moses was using the same demon power they were using but now they realized that Moses and Aaron were connected to a power that was greater than their own. **verses 18-19**

THE FLIES

The intensity of the spiritual battle was increased yet again by the Lord. Moses was told to confront Pharaoh as he was coming down the road and simply speak to him. When Pharaoh refused to listen to Moses, God released the flies and placed a spiritual barrier between Egypt and the land of Goshen where the Israelites lived. **verses 20-24**

Pharaoh was forced to concede and Moses asked the Lord to remove the flies. **verses 25-31**

STRIKING THE CATTLE

To unleash the next spiritual attack upon Pharaoh, Moses was told to go to the palace and give Pharaoh a deadline. If the deadline passed, all the farm animals of the Egyptians would be struck and killed. True to His word, God unleashed angels who killed the farm animals belonging to the Egyptians. The spiritual barrier still existed as none of the animals that belonged to the Israelites were killed. **Exodus 9:1-7**

THE BOILS

In the next spiritual attack on Pharaoh, Moses and Aaron were told to take ashes and throw them up in the air in front of Pharaoh. This was an act of faith on their part because they had to expose themselves to the possible wrath of Pharaoh. **verses 8-11**

THE HAIL

Moses confronted Pharaoh yet again and warned him. When Pharaoh refused to surrender to the Lord, Moses was instructed to stretch forth his hand toward heaven and God would respond with hail. **verses 13-26**

When Pharaoh told Moses that he would repent, Moses walked away from Pharaoh and lifted his hands toward heaven in faith and God responded by stopping the hail. **verses 27-33**

THE LOCUSTS

Once again Moses and Aaron had to enter the palace in faith and expose themselves to the ever growing anger of Pharaoh as they continued to confront him. The political leaders around Pharaoh were fed up with Moses and Aaron since they were responsible for financially destroying Egypt. They tried to bargain with Moses and Aaron, but Pharaoh stubbornly continued to refuse God's demands and drove out Moses and Aaron from the palace. God told Moses to stretch forth his hand toward heaven and God would respond and once again Moses responded in faith. **Exodus 10:1-15**

Pharaoh was forced to surrender again and Moses asked the Lord to remove the locusts, **verses 16-19**

THE DARKNESS

Darkness was a supernatural weapon that neither mankind nor demons could match. This time Moses and Aaron were not told to go and speak to Pharaoh but Moses stretched forth his hands toward heaven and released this supernatural weapon in faith upon Pharaoh and the Egyptian people. **verses 21-23**

Pharaoh was furious when he called for Moses, but instead of meeting the Lord's demands, Pharaoh threatened to kill Moses if he ever came back to the palace. **verses 24-29**

THE FINAL SPIRITUAL WEAPON

God was going to unleash a final supernatural weapon that would be too much for Pharaoh and this time the children of Israel would be forced to participate or suffer the same consequences as the Egyptians. **Exodus 12:1-13; 21-23**

There was no turning back once God's angels had been dispatched over the land of Egypt. If no blood was placed on the doorposts, the angels would enter and kill the first born, making no distinction between Egyptian and Israelite. **verses 29-33**

SUMMARY

No man can stand against the supernatural weapons of God. These spiritual weapons are used to protect and to further His work on this earth.

Moses and Aaron were not allowed to have their fingers on the "triggers" of these weapons but had to release them in faith through actions of obedience and prayer.

Jesus never changes; He will continue to be the same today and tomorrow. **Hebrews 13:8**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?