

Week of 03-12-2023
Series: The Story, Ch. 3, Pt. 2
Sermon: I Am the LORD
Text: Exodus 7-12

Sermon Outline:

The LORD Judges... (7-11)

1. False gods and all who worship them. (7:14-11:10)
2. The nations and all who dwell in them. (9:14-16)

The LORD Saves... (12)

1. By the blood of a substitute. (12:1-13)
2. All who believe and obey. (12:4-49)

Biblical Truth: You are saved not by the strength of your faith but by its object.

Discussion Questions:

Read Exodus 7:1-7.

1. A *false god* could be described as that which is not the one true God, yet still receives your allegiance and devotion. Can you identify any *false gods* in your life?
 - How might credit card statements, schedules, and phone apps help identify a person's *false gods*?
 - What other things might indicate *false god* worship?
 - When you are able to identify personal *false gods*, what should you do?
2. God raised up Pharaoh in order to show His power so that His name may be proclaimed in all the earth.
 - How did worldwide proclamation of God's name result from the plagues?
 - Why is it crucial that God's name be known throughout the world?
 - Do you see yourself as having a role in spreading God's name throughout the world? If so, how?
3. The first 9 plagues were a rejection of false gods. The last plague not only led to deliverance for the nation of Israel, but it also set the stage for how people from every nation could one day be delivered from slavery with the blood of the Lamb Jesus Christ.
 - How can helping people see the greater narrative of the Bible help them better understand the cross?
 - If applicable, name someone you know (*who doesn't know Jesus*) who would benefit from understanding what we have seen so far in Genesis and Exodus.
4. Israel may not have fully understood, but they still obeyed. Where have you shown your faith by following God's command even when you didn't understand?
5. Sunday's Biblical Truth was: "*You are saved not by the strength of your faith but by its object.*" There were most likely Israelites who believed at a higher percentage rate than others, but salvation came down to those who trusted God by placing blood on their door posts. How can this biblical truth be an encouragement for you today?