

Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

“It’s No Joke to Croak” – Exodus 8:1-15

I. Introduction.

A. Croaking frogs and a play on words.

1. A story from hospice.

B. Reading the text: Exodus 8:1-15

II. Exposition

A. Verses 1-4

1. No three day journey now (3:18).
2. The Israelites (all men) are created for the purpose of worship.
3. Westminster Shorter Catechism: Question #1
Q1: What is the chief end of man?
A1: The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.
4. “Plague” – Hebrew is “smite.”
5. “Swarm” – Hebrew is “teeming.”

B. Verses 5-6

1. Background on idol worship in lower Egypt.
 - a. Goddess Heket.
 - b. God (husband) Khnum
 - c. Frogs were never to be killed.

2. Boice

3. Rimmer

4. Spurgeon

5. Liberal scholarship – Sarna.

C. Verses 7-9

1. It’s David Copperfield time again!

2. Pharaoh seeks a prayer.

- a. Remarkable in several ways.

- b. His request may be similar to those who ask use to pray for them.

1. Spurgeon.

D. Verses 10-11

1. Pharaoh asks that the frogs may depart a day later?

E. Verses 12-14

1. Now who smells in Egypt.

F. Verse 15

1. Pharaoh breaks his word.

III. Points for Reflection.

- A. The worship of Heqet is similar to a particular idol found in our own culture.

- B. Be watchful of unbelievers who ask to be remembered in prayer because of pain over felt needs.

- C. It’s no joke to croak.