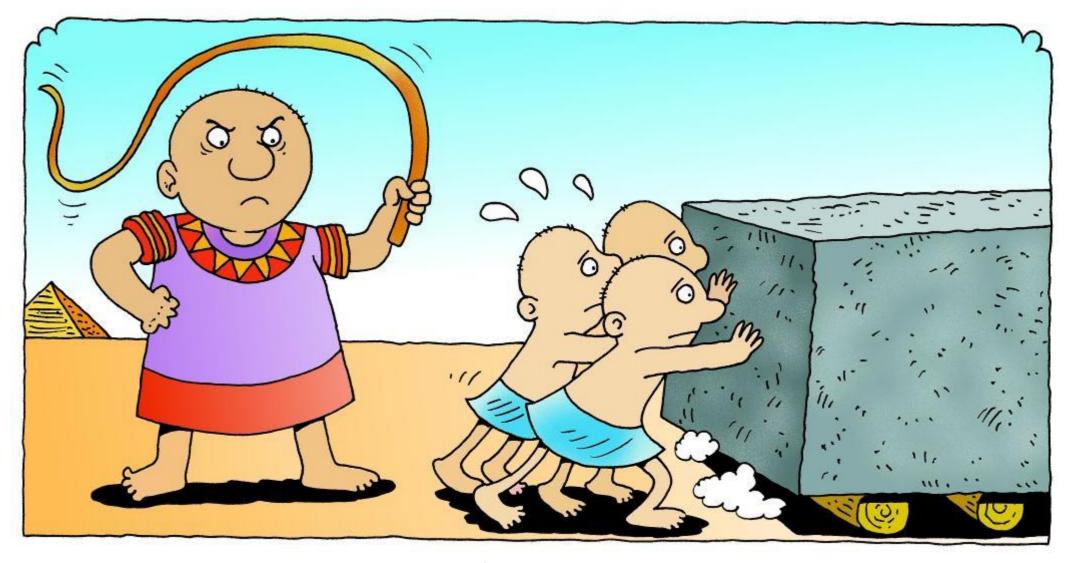
MOSES TEN PLAGUES

Part 1

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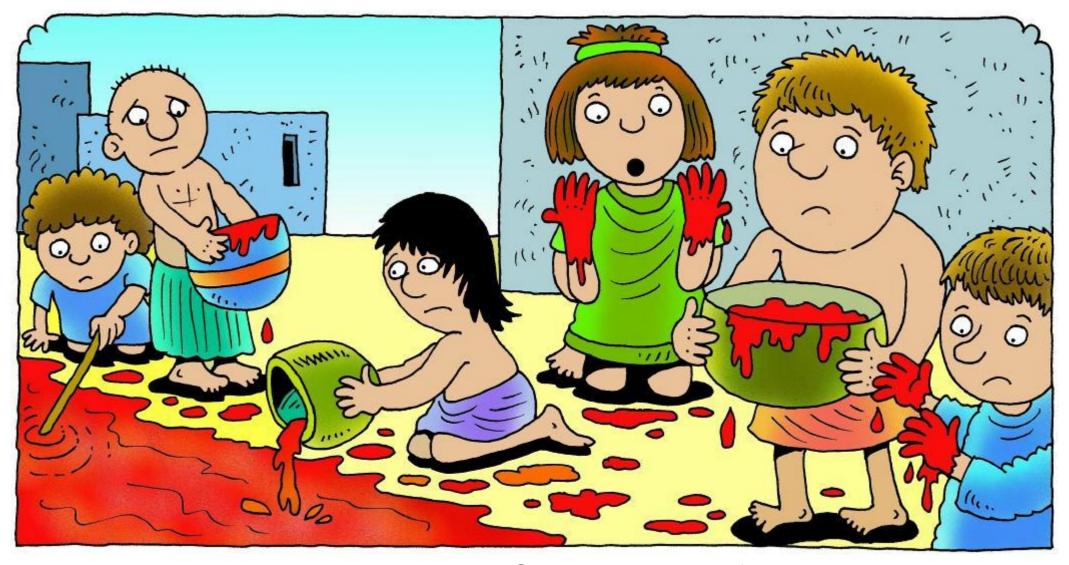
For more than 400 years the children of Israel prayed that they could go home to the land that God had promised to them.



Pharaoh the king of Egypt had given Joseph's family the land of Goshen to live in, more than 400 years before, but after he died the new king, Pharaoh treated the Israelites badly and now they were his slaves.

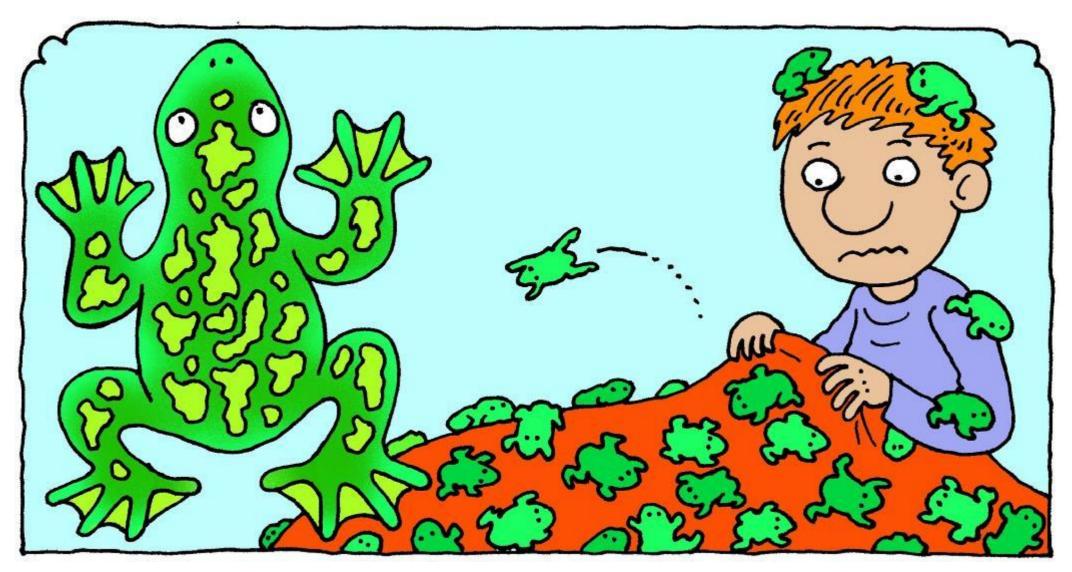


God sent Moses and Aaron to tell Pharaoh to let His people go home. "If you refuse," Aaron said, "God will sent terrible plagues until you do." But Pharaoh was stubborn and would not listen.



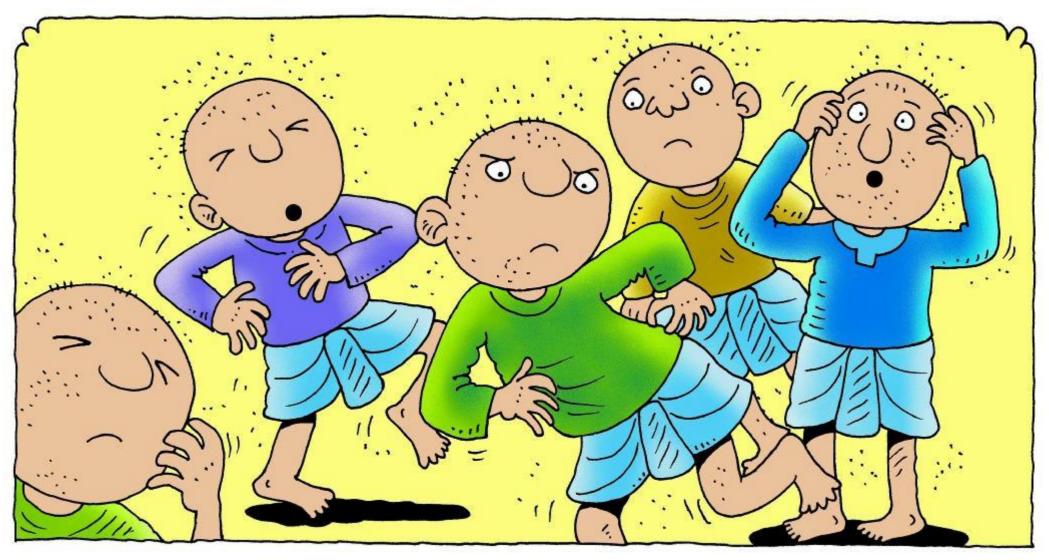
For seven long days God turned all of Egypt's rivers and drinking water into blood, so the fish died and the smell was disgusting.

But Pharaoh still refused to obey God.

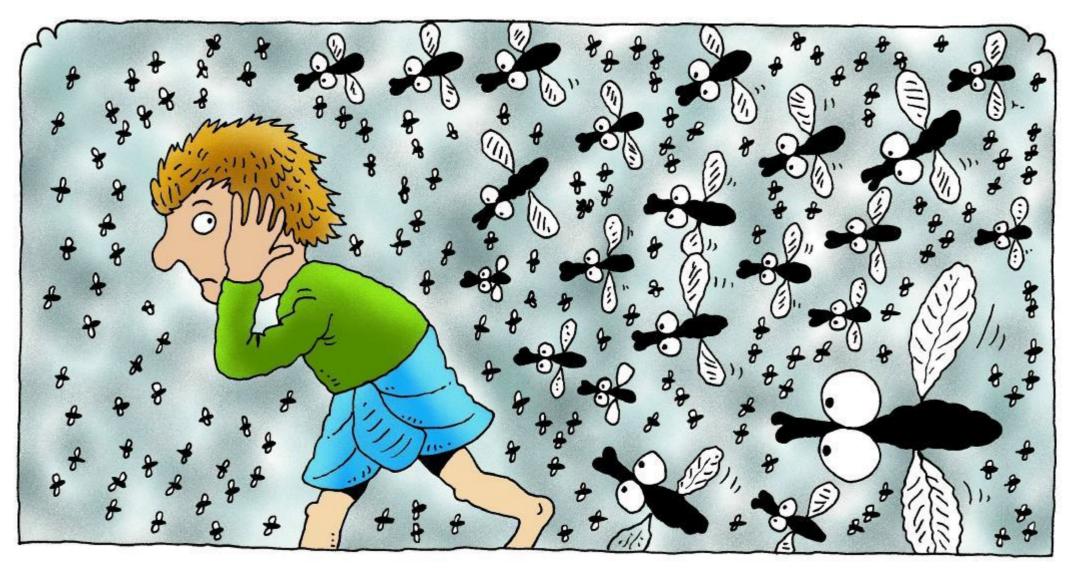


Again Aaron said, "Let my people go and serve God, or He will send frogs all over Egypt."

The plagues of frogs were so annoying that Pharaoh nearly let them go, but then he changed his mind.



So God send a plague of lice and everyone in Egypt was itching and scratching. Even Pharaoh's wise men said it was the work of God, but Pharaoh was still too stubborn to listen.



Then God sent swarms of flies all over Egypt, but there were no flies at all in the land of Goshen. The plague of flies was so bad that Pharaoh was forced to send for Moses and Aaron.



"You can go a little way into the countryside to worship God, only if you ask Him to take the flies away," Pharaoh promised. But when the flies went he changed his mind again.