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Hardness

What did you learn? God told Moses, I will harden Pharaoh's heart unto you. Why did God not just let Pharaoh give orders to release His children? What good would it have done God? What would Pharaoh have learned? ***“And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt. But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay My hand upon Egypt, and bring forth Mine armies, and My people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.”*** Exodus 7:3,4. **WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE?**

Your bondage today, what is it? Have you been listening to God tell you something? Have you paid any attention to Him? Are you as hard hearted as Pharaoh was? Have you gotten to the point in your life, where you just do not care??? **You just don't care!?** Have you seen it all, heard it all and know it all? Has God hardened your heart? **WHY?** Has it taken God to this point in your life to get you to listen to Him? ***“And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch forth Mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.”*** Exodus 7:5.

Have things been occurring to you for a while or have they just started lately, things that are really trying you? Have you been, *'down on your luck'* and you have not even given it a thought as to why; maybe, until now???! You haven't because your heart has been hardened by God! **You had better pay attention to this, while you still have some time and senses about yourself!!! WAKE UP!** Before your *'luck'* gets worse or someone around you, maybe even in your own family, is injured, harmed or die possibly! **GOD WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO GET YOUR ATTENTION TO LISTEN AND OBEY HIM!!! OR, UNTIL YOU DECIDE TO RUN AND TURN YOUR BACK TOTALLY UPON HIM!!!! LORD GOD HAVE MERCY!** He wants **you** and He doesn't want to harden your heart, but He will!!!

Have small, minor or petty things popped up against you that are not evil from Satan, but just pestering??? Examine them, examine yourself, are you fulfilling God's plans in your life? Have you not even paid attention to them; but, you have just been taking them in stride? Is your heart being hardened right now, even though **you are going to Church and are paying your tithes????** Are you still, or do you feel, you are not going anywhere but backwards??? What is the reason; Satan fighting hard, bad luck or is God hardening your heart to teach you things that **you will not easily forget????**

Have you, as I have done in the past, put off, put off, and put off for as long as you could, the things God has told you to do? Are you not listening to Him, or are you doing **everything** He is telling you to do?

Has **GOD** told you to do this, this way; but, you didn't listen, and you did it, that way, instead???? Vessels of God, Moses and Aaron; Aaron was told to cast down Moses' rod to the ground, for it to become a serpent, God's sign. Was this enough for Pharaoh to see God, as **GOD**? No, Pharaoh didn't see, his wise men, Satan's vessels, cast down their rods; and through divination, enchantments and or witchcraft, they turned their rods also into serpents, a copy cat, this Satan, is! Today, we are led astray by Satan's vessels because our heart has been hardened in some form or another which does not allow us to see God. If our minds are not continually focused toward, and on God, then our heart is not where it should be; and, we have opened the door to Satan to just march right on in, with no resistance of **ANY** kind!!! Listen to God and His directives and not some copy cat or false doctrines or anyone else; even, to your best friend, or family member or your Pastor maybe, **which do not tell you of God's ways!!!** God will be victorious; **be aware of this**, if you do not soften up your heart, it will get even harder and be devoured by God, **just to show someone else!!!!** **GOD WILL BE VICTORIOUS, WILL IT BE WITH YOU, OR WITH SOMEONE ELSE AND YOU WILL BE JUST USED FOR AN EXAMPLE FOR SOMEONE ELSE?????** If you are not a winner with God, then you will be as a loser, as Pharaoh's wise men's serpents were, they were swallowed up by Moses' rod, from God's vessels. God will be the winner and the **ONLY WINNER!!!** Do you want your days to be gorgeous or do you just want your days to be yucky? **YUCK!**

As God told Moses to go unto Pharaoh, “*And the Lord spake unto Moses, go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, thus saith the Lord, let My people go, that they may serve Me.*” Exodus 8:1. Is God telling you to serve Him? Or, is your heart going to be hardened a little more? Are you going through all the plagues and or trials which Pharaoh went through and he still didn’t listen and see the Lord; to obey, follow and to allow Him, God, to rule his or your life and to surrender to Him???? You know for a fact, that God is calling you, and that He wants you on His side. The side of righteousness, and not evil. **These are the only choices!** You do not get a multiple choice question, it is either, **YES** or **NO** to God!

Has, or is, your mind and reasoning controlled or controlling your heart? Is it hardened already to the point that you do not ever think, that it will ever soften again? You will change from the inside out by the Holy Spirit! Just accept Him and follow, instead of leading!!! **HE WILL NOT FOLLOW YOU!**

How many times have you told God to do this for me and I will do that in return for You? Have you ever made promises that you did not keep? What became of all those promises??? Do you still remember all of them? **GOD DOES!!!** And He is still waiting on you to uphold your end of the promise. If your need, that you have ask Him for, has not been met yet, and this is what you have been waiting on for you to do your part of the promise, **THEN YOU WILL HAVE A VERY LONG WAIT COMING!** Try it the other way around and see what happens????! We do not ask God to come to us, we **GO TO HIM!!!** And, He is not going to come to you and ask you what you need either, has He? With all your broken promises, how much has your heart been hardened??? Have you noticed a difference in your thoughts; that, you care even less than before; have you, maybe gone a little or a lot, backward, since you did not fulfill your end of your promises to God???

All of these questions???? **WAKE UP** people; God does not owe us anything, He is not obligated to us; He is not required in the operating manual to do anything for us!!!! What He has done for us in the past is over and we can not live on that and expect God’s blessings, which He does, just because He wants to do so, and not because He is required to do so. From

times past, God has graciously blessed us and has done things for us, and he didn't expect anything in return from us, but our obedience to Him.

Today, without us coming to the cross daily and confessing our sins to Him from our hardened hearts; yesterday's blessings will not happen tomorrow. Our daily walk with God, turns into hourly walks, which turn into minute by minute walks with Him for some people, whose hearts have been hardened by God. Have you seen yourself yet, in any of these scenarios?

Some people like Pharaoh, has to have their heart hardened so hard by God, that the very lives of their families are in danger! ***“And Moses said, thus saith the Lord, about midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt: and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that setteth upon the throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.”*** Exodus 11:4,5. **WILL GOD DO THIS TODAY, TO YOU???** Yes He will! Hebrews 13:8 states that ***“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.”*** Yes, He will and He has always done it and He will always do it! ***“But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the Lord doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.”*** Exodus 11:7. **BETWEEN EVIL AND RIGHTEOUSNESS!!!!** ***“And the Lord said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt. And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.”*** Exodus 11:9,10.

God's instructions of the Passover are beautiful, just beautiful; read and learn of them, ***“Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, in the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: and if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next unto his house take it according to the number of souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in***

the evening. And they shall take of the blood; and strike it on the two posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat. Eat not it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's passover.” Exodus 12:3-11.

Every little detail was instructed by God, nothing was left out. To the size of the family, with no leftovers, do not boil with water, but roast it even with the head and feet attached, over a fire. Even the leftover carcass, that can not be eaten, is to be burned the next morning. The lamb had to be of a certain age, either from the sheep or the goats. **No questions remained**, as to what God wanted them to do!!! Eat it dressed, fully shod, and with staff in hand, be prepared to leave at any time, any moment. What was any difference then, than today? We are to be prepared, ready to leave at any time!!!! The ones that did not follow God's words, His instructions, to the word, did not leave, they died!!!! It is no time, especially as close as it is today, to be lazy, non caring and heart hardened as Pharaohs'!!!

“For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the Lord will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.” Exodus 12:23.

Have you applied the blood of Jesus to your life??? Is He your passover Lamb? The world has forgotten about love! The Lamb doesn't mean anything anymore to them, much less His blood which we are appreciative of; we owe our life, our all to the Lamb, Jesus Christ!!! Where is your redemptive sacrificial price? *“And it came to pass, that at midnight the Lord smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that set on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great*

cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead. And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, rise up, and get you forth from among my people; both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said. Also take your flocks and herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.” Exodus 12:29-32.

WHY WILL IT TAKE DRASTIC MEASURES TO GET YOUR ATTENTION AS IT DID PHARAOH???? WILL IT? GOD WANTS YOUR LOVE AND OBEDIENCE, AND HE WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO GET IT!!!!

Some religions, some teachers and some preachers will not tell their flock this. **It might upset them** and they will stop paying their tithes and stop coming and giving offerings. They need to miss a few luxuries themselves and get their flock fully prepared. Maybe they need to eat a few bitter herbs and be fully dressed and ready to go????! As it stands now, most, will not go anywhere right away; because, the blood is on their hands, and not the lintel and door posts, from others and they are accountable of them to God.

I do not profess to be a professor of Theology; but, I do know what the **HOLY SPIRIT** puts in my spirit and gives me utterance to say and write. We all had better get ourselves prepared!!! Prepared for what??? For that glorious appearance of our Master and Lord, **JESUS CHRIST**, in the air, where we are to meet Him, in the twinkling of an eye!!! **GLORY TO GOD, PRAISE YOU JESUS!!!!** We are to have the blood of Jesus as our redemptive ticket and be clothed in righteousness, ready to leave here at any moment!!!! **In the twinkling of an eye!!!**

Do you want this blood of Jesus, the blood of the Lamb, as your passover from hell to heaven? Do you want your heart softened; it can only be, by the blood of the Lamb!!!

After a short while, Pharaoh’s heart was hardened some more by God and went with his chariots after the children of Israel. *“And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold,*

*the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the Lord.” Exodus 14:10. **DELIVERANCE**, but **FORGOTTEN**, by the children of Israel, so quickly!!!! **How much has that changed today???** NONE! Well, God protected them anyway, from fear and non belief, and slew the Egyptians in the Red Sea and finally, “*And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and His servant Moses.*” Exodus 14:31.*

What is it going to take to get your attention, that God wants your dependence upon Him? Your obedience, your love, your fear and your all! When your blood in your heart is being restricted by clots or thickness, the Doctor prescribes a medicine, a blood thinner maybe, and you rush down to buy this medicine and take it; because, you do not want to die. God has been prescribing this blood thinner for a very long time from His hardening of hearts. This medicine, His name, it is Jesus Christ and by the blood of the Lamb. Take this Doctor’s advice, and rush down to fill your prescription, Father, I am a sinner, I repent, forgive me of my sins. Save me from these bondages and the hardening of my heart, **HELP ME, PLEASE!!!!** Amen.

Take this medicine and see how your life will change! Brought from Egypt to Canaan Land, flowing with milk and honey; not evil and idol worshippers, nor sand nor grit!

How many of these ten plagues have you lived already? Are you ready to die in your tenth plague? You know, a lot of you now, are in your tenth plague; so, why die when you can apply the blood of the Lamb in your life and live???? Come unto Him, Jesus Christ, the Lamb, the One who shed His blood for your own door post, to stop the tenth plague!!!! Stop letting these little things bother you, things that does not add up to a hill of beans! Allow the One into your heart to take away the hardness.

Have you learned anything? Does the Word of God make sense to you? Can you see what God is doing? He is allowing you to learn His way first hand by letting you go through what He has planned for you. We do not know what is ahead of us, only God knows! He prepares us, and we either obey and follow Him or He hardens our heart so we can learn what He wants

us to learn, at any measure!!!! Some will live and some will die just by one's own hard heartedness! Can you humble yourself long enough to hear Him and His instructions? Is your hard headedness harder than your hard heart???

If so, your ten plagues await you **ONE AT A TIME!!!** *“And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”* Philippians 4:7. Jesus tells us to, *“And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”* Matthew 10:28. Did you read it correctly, we are to **FEAR HIM, GOD**, which is able to kill both body and soul in **HELL!!!!** That's right, **GOD, the God of love**, will destroy body and soul as He did Pharaoh!!!!!!!!!!!!

Humble yourself and follow Him, cast aside your pride and need Him always, not just when a trial hits.

Have you read enough, have you found yourself yet? Are you wandering in Egypt without the blood of the Lamb? **APPLY JESUS'S BLOOD!!!** And stop the plagues of God in your life. The plagues put on you by **GOD**, not Satan, not your family; but, **by GOD Himself!!!!** God is trying to teach you, **ARE YOU TEACHABLE? YOUR CHOICE!**

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