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Topic: Studies in Exodus - How Hardened Can Man Be?

Text: Exodus 8:1-19

Destructive miracles are done (1) to show how great sinners men are and call them to repentance, (2) to vindicate the saints and (3) to reveal how harden men's heart can be. Exodus 8 describes the heart of an unregenerate person who refused to submit to God.

The Lord called Moses to go to Pharaoh to let the people go. This word "go" means to send away and never return. The warning that comes along is that the whole land will be filled with frogs. This is something uncomfortable and annoying to the people. Frogs were also what the Egyptian people considered as one of their gods.

Pharaoh called Moses and allowed the people to go because he was not able to reverse the plague. But in everything, he did not admit his wrong at all. The Lord kept His Word and caused all the frogs to die. When Pharaoh saw that, he hardened his heart again. He was only pretending so that he may remove the consequences of sin (the plagues) without acknowledging his sin (disbelief of God).

**When God allows certain bad circumstances in your lives to reveal your heart, do not harden your heart.**