

SERMON SERIES
“FROM BONDAGE TO FREEDOM: EXODUS PART 1”
“THE EARTH IS THE LORD’S”

Exodus 9

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I. The earth is the Lord’s and not to be worshiped. (vv. 1-7)

“Let my people go, that they may serve me”

“the hand of the Lord will fall with a very severe (heavy) plague on your livestock”

“All the livestock of the Egyptians died” Meaning of “all”

“the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.”

Application: Turn from the worship of sex and physical beauty.

Illustration: retreat in 1985

Psalms 24:1; 32:4

Romans 1:22-23, 25

1 Corinthians 10:25-25

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

“His heart becomes harder with every sinful choice he makes.”

-Anthony Selvaggio

II. The earth is the Lord’s including our bodies.

“it became boils breaking out in sores on man and beast.”

“And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils”

“the Lord hardened (strengthened) the heart of Pharaoh”

Application: Bought by Christ, honor God with your body.

Deuteronomy 28:27

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Revelation 8:7; 16:2

III. The earth is the Lord's who does no wrong.

"I will send all my plagues on you yourself (your heart)"

"so my name may be proclaimed in all the earth."

"This time I have sinned; the Lord is in the right"

"Plead w/the Lord" → "he sinned yet again & hardened his heart"

Application: Heed God's warnings and seek refuge in Jesus the Righteous One.

Proverbs 27:22

Isaiah 45:5-7

1 Corinthians 1:30-32

1 John. 2:1

Revelation 16:21

"He may be weakening but he still plays the snake- lying, manipulating and twisting."

-John Currid

"Love tends toward repentance; for he that truly repents of sin, repents of it because it is committed against a being that he loves."

-Jonathan Edwards

Digging Deeper:

1. What aspects of creation are you still tempted to worship?
2. How can you re-direct your affections to Christ the Creator?
3. In what ways do you try to own or control your body apart from Christ?
4. Where do you need to trust God concerning your body?
5. When are you tempted to accuse God of wrong-doing in your life?
6. Do you tend toward remorse or repentance?