

February 11

Exodus 6:28-7:13

These verses tell of the first time Moses and Aaron went before Pharaoh.

Question to Consider:

Moses and Aaron were prepared to “perform a miracle,” but the result wasn’t what they expected. Pharaoh still wasn’t convinced. Have you ever experienced feeling prepared for something, but then felt let down afterward? What were the circumstances?

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, at times I will be challenged and then even when I feel prepared, the result will not be what I had hoped for. When that happens, give me the wisdom to learn from the experience, and the strength and courage to carry on. I pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

February 12

Exodus 7:14-24

This passage describes the first of the plagues – the plague of blood.

Question to Consider:

Pharaoh was hard to convince. Have you ever tried to convince someone of something, but failed? What happened?

Prayer:

Dear God, please help me when I try to convince someone of something that I know is according to your will. It may be something like trying to convince a friend to give up a bad habit, or to confess after telling a lie. Regardless, help me to help that person do what you would want them to do. In Jesus’ name I pray, Amen.

February 13

Exodus 7:25-8:15

This is the second of the plagues – the plague of frogs.

Question to Consider:

When Moses asked Pharaoh to suggest a time for prayer to get rid of the frogs, Pharaoh said “Tomorrow.” Why do you think he chose to put that prayer off for a day? Have you ever put off doing something that would have been good to do?

Prayer:

Loving God, when I know there is something good that I should do, help me to not put it off. Give me the strength and courage to go ahead and do it, in a way that pleases you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

February 14

Exodus 8:16-32

These verses describe the next two plagues – the plague of gnats and the plague of flies.

Question to Consider:

The Egyptian people were dealing with horrible plagues without knowing what was going on. Have you experienced a sense of not knowing what was going on, even as something bad was happening around you? Were you afraid? Angry?

Prayer:

Almighty God, sometimes things will happen that I don't understand and that make me afraid. When those times come, help me to trust in you. I pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

February 15

Exodus 9:1-12

The next two plagues are described in this section – the plague on livestock, and the plague of boils.

Question to Consider:

A boil is a skin ailment that is extremely painful. When was the last time you were injured or sick and the result was severe pain? How has that experience changed the way you react when someone else is in pain?

Prayer:

Merciful God, I know what it is like to feel pain, so help me to be caring and understanding whenever I encounter another person who is hurting. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.