

Discussion Questions

1. How would you describe the first encounter between Moses and Pharaoh (5:1-21)? Was the king favorable toward the request? Why is this first interaction so important to understanding the "hardening of the heart" we read about later?

2. Read through the plagues, especially the reaction of Pharaoh and God to the plagues. What can you conclude about the "hardening of Pharaoh's heart?"

3. The New Testament makes a reference to the "hardening of Pharaoh's heart" (Rom. 9:17-18)? How does this passage help us to understand what the phrase in question means?