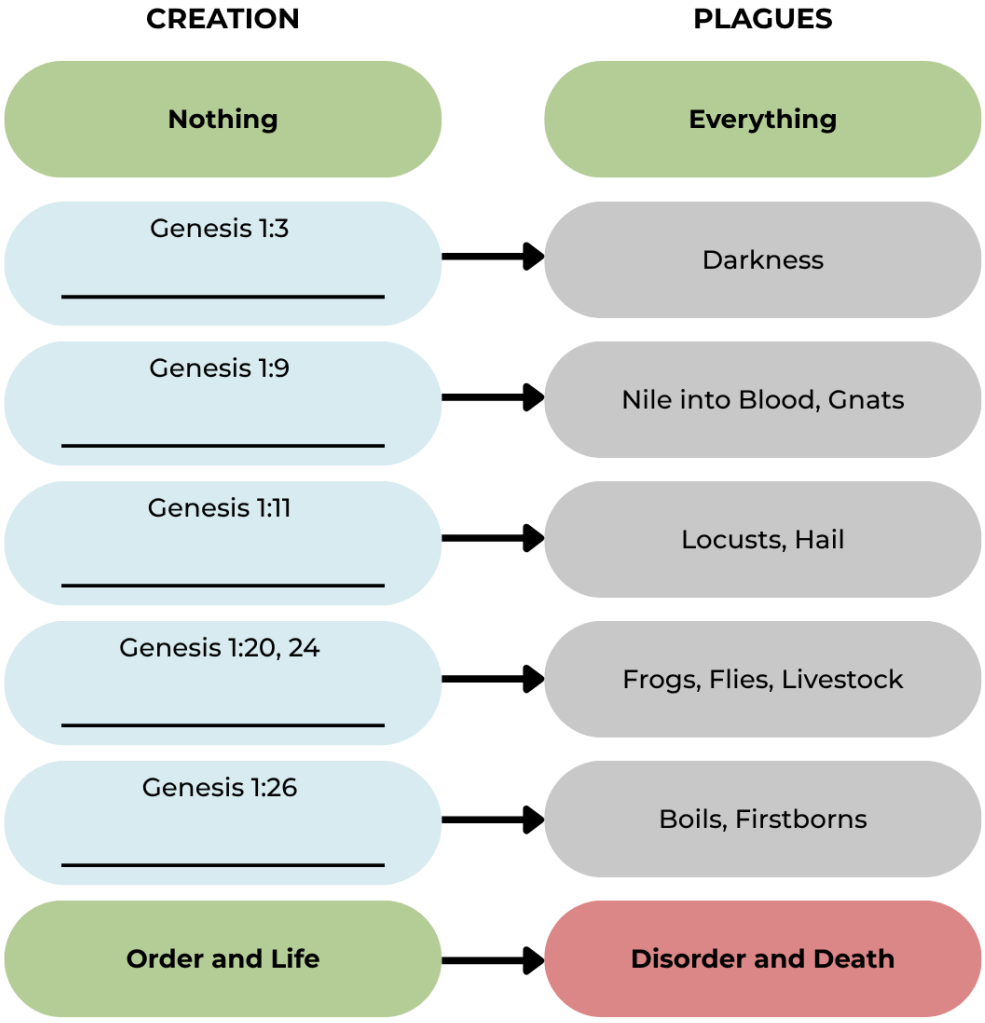
Hope Church WBS | Exodus 9:13-11:10 Discussion Guide | October 13-14, 2026

DWELL Take a few minutes to jot down your reaction to the text and any questions. Briefly share if you wish.

DIG 1. We've talked about the plagues as a reversal of creation. Let's explore this more by filling in the blanks on the left with a word or doodle. What did God create? Discuss the relationship to the plagues on the right.

Genesis 1 [3] And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.
[9] And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so.
[11] And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so.
[20] And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens."
[24] And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so.
[26] Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."



What might God be demonstrating in this de-creation?

2. What is the progression of Pharaoh and the Egyptians as they experience the plagues? Fill in the last four plagues and consider the whole chart.

Plague	Reaction by Egyptian Leaders	Pharaoh's Obedience/Repentance
1. 7:21-23 ***Nile***	Magicians did the same	Heart hardened, would not listen, did not take it to heart
2. 8:7-8, 15 ***Frogs***	Magicians did the same	Asks Moses to plead with the Lord, but hardens his heart when there was respite
3. 8:18-19 ***Gnats***	Magicians tried but couldn't, recognize finger of God	Pharaoh's heart hardened
4. 8:25, 28, 32 ***Flies***		Calls Moses to intercede; Says they can sacrifice in the land, then cheats them
5. 9:7 ***Livestock***	Investigates Israel's safety	Hardens his heart
6. 9:11-12 ***Boils***	Magicians couldn't stand before Moses because of the boils	Hardens his heart
7. 9:27-28, 34 ***Hail & Fire***		
8. 10:7, 10-11, 16-20 ***Locusts***		
9. 10:24, 28 ***Darkness***		
10. 11:2, 10 ***Firstborn***		

What does this reveal about the Pharaoh's desires and willingness to repent? About human hearts when faced with God's power?

3. What is this passage revealing about God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) that challenges or comforts you?

DEEPEN

1. We have seen all the ways that God has made himself known to us by saving his people: *Leisurely rest* amidst danger, *Lavish provision* amidst devastation, *Light* amidst darkness and *Life* amidst death. Reflect for a moment on how God has revealed himself to you personally.

2. In so many ways, we suffer from the same pride and suicidal autonomy that produced Pharaoh's hard heart. Where does freedom from God feel exhilarating for you? How does knowing Christ offer you something better? How does Christ give you hope of true repentance?

3. How can you be part of proclaiming his name throughout the earth? What would it look like to say with the Psalmist, "I will tell what he has done for my soul" (Ps 66:16)?