

Daily Devotional, September 18, 2020 The Best Coverage Money Can't Buy

There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any person or animal. Then you will know that the Lord makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel. Exodus 11:6-7 (NIV)

Insurance. It seems like you can buy it for anything these days.

You can get all kinds of insurance: life, health, phone, car, computer, house, fire, flood, hurricane, even software. With insurance, there's only one question you need to ask: Do I have coverage for that? Because if you're covered, then your insurance will take care of you, but if you're not then you have to carry the cost yourself.

It is vital that we understand this fundamental as it relates to spiritual things, and we can learn what we need to know from the story of Moses.

When God sent him to Egypt, He performed a number of signs through Moses, including turning a staff into a snake and back again, turning the water to blood, and releasing plagues of both frogs and locusts throughout the land. Interestingly, the Pharaoh's magicians were able to imitate all these signs by the power of Satan. But that's where the imitation stopped.

After these signs, God began releasing plagues that personally affected people. Just as in the story of Job, Satan needed permission to touch people, and in this case God did not grant it.

Soon, however, God drew another distinction, this time between His people and the Egyptians. He kept His people protected, while the Egyptians suffered one disaster after another excruciating disaster as they could no longer stand up to God's judgement.

Finally, God gives us the ultimate picture of coverage—The Passover. Any Israelite who painted their door with the blood of a lamb and remained under that covering was spared. Every Egyptian who had no coverage lost their firstborn son to death.

You see that coverage is very important spiritually. Jesus came as the fulfillment of the prophetic picture given in the Passover, and He now is our covering, our protection from all that God will eventually pour out on the earth in the final days.

It is our job now as Christians to go spread this news, becoming sort of like insurance salesmen, offering the *free* coverage of God's salvation policy for all who will receive Him. And as God's coverage salespeople, it is our obligation to tell others so that they can be fully covered, too.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank You for covering and protecting me from all the things that You are going to do on this earth on Your return, just as You once protected Your people in Egypt! Please be with me and surround me with Your protection and love today. I invite You to be Lord of my life! Amen.