

God's Dealings with Pharaoh  
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Scripture Lesson is Exodus 9:6 -21. **This is an excerpt from the message.**

**Exodus 9:6: And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.**

How easy it is to mistake mercy for weakness! This was Pharaoh's mistake. The moment the Lord lifted his heavy hand from the Egyptian King, Pharaoh forgot his vow and harden his heart.

We are committing the same mistake every day, while trouble is in our house, we pray. When it is removed we readily return to our fallen state.

God is so long suffering, he provides numerous warnings to lead us to repentance.

10 times Pharaoh hardened his heart, and God provided additional reasons to resist, which demonstrated the increasing power of God. His heart was already set to resist this God and his call of duty. First appeal resulted in increasing the burden on the Israelites.

God sends to the heart of man internal message by His Holy Spirit. It is possible for men to resist it, but there is danger that God will withdraw His Holy Spirit. **Ps. 51:11, Eph 4:30.** The office of the Holy Spirit is to soften and win the soul.

All the calamities which Pharaoh experience hardened his heart. Calamities may either subdue or harden, according to the state of the heart itself.

God's plagues or punishments will accomplish their purpose in due time.