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Parashat Va'eira וַאֲרָא

**The Weekly Hebrew Lesson**

וַיְדַבֵּר אֱלֹהִים אֶל־מֹשֶׁה וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו אֲנִי יְהוָה:

Vaydaber Elohim el-Mosheh vayomer elav Ani Adonai

**The Fractal of Redemption: גָּאֹל (ga'al)**

**The Plagues** (see page 2 for chart)

**Separation!**

“By My name יְהוָה I was not known to them” (Exodus 6:3)

**A Matter of Reputation**

**The Robber and the Strong Man: Yeshua's Familiarity with the Midrashim**

Plague	Text	Event	Egyptian Deity
1	7:14-25	דָּם Nile into blood	Hapi – spirit of the Nile; Khnum – guardian of the Nile. The Nile was the ‘bloodstream’ of Osiris.
2	8:1-15	צִפְרִידֵּעַ Frogs	Heqt – goddess of fertility and renewal
3	8:16-19	בֵּין Gnats/Mosquitoes	Geb – god of earth
4	8:20-32	עֲרֵב Swarming Insects	Khepri – god of creation
5	9:1-7	מִקְנֵה Cattle: Death of Livestock	Hathor – goddess of love and protection; Apis – bull god
6	9:8-12	שִׁחִין Boils	Imhotep/Isis – god of medicine
7	9:13-35	בָּרָד Hail	Nut – sky goddess
8	10:1-20	אַרְבֵּה Locusts	Seth – god of storms and disorder
9	10:21-29	חֹשֶׁךְ Darkness	Ra/Re – sun god
10	11:1-12:36	בְּכוֹר Death of Firstborn	Pharaoh – the son of the gods; Osiris the god who gives life