



The Exodus Story

Jasher 63:1-8

[1]And in the ninety-third year died Levi, the son of Jacob, in Egypt, and Levi was a hundred and thirty-seven years old when he died, and they put him into a coffin and he was given into the hands of his children.

[2]And it came to pass after the death of Levi, when all Egypt saw that the sons of Jacob the brethren of Joseph were dead, all the Egyptians began to afflict the children of Jacob, and to embitter their lives from that day unto the day of their going forth from Egypt, and they took from their hands all the vineyards and fields which Joseph had given unto them, and all the elegant houses in which the people of Israel lived, and all the fat of Egypt, the Egyptians took all from the sons of Jacob in those days.

[3]And the hand of all Egypt became more grievous in those days against the children of Israel, and the Egyptians injured the Israelites until the children of Israel were wearied of their lives on account of the Egyptians.

[4]And it came to pass in those days, in the hundred and second year of Israel's going down to Egypt, that Pharaoh king of Egypt died, and Melol his son reigned in his stead, and all the mighty men of Egypt and all that generation which knew Joseph and his brethren died in those days.

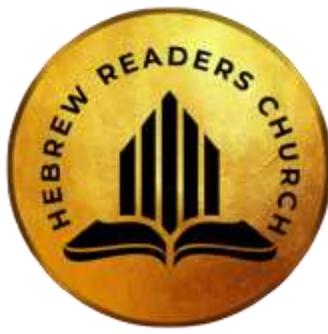
[5]And another generation rose up in their stead, which had not known the sons of Jacob and all the good which they had done to them, and all their might in Egypt.

[6]Therefore all Egypt began from that day forth to embitter the lives of the sons of Jacob, and to afflict them with all manner of hard labor, because they had not known their ancestors who had delivered them in the days of the famine.

[7]And this was also from the Lord, for the children of Israel, to benefit them in their latter days, in order that all the children of Israel might know the Lord their Alahayim.

[8]And in order to know the signs and mighty wonders which the Lord would do in Egypt on account of his people Israel, in order that the children of Israel might fear the Lord Alahayim of their ancestors, and walk in all his ways, they and their seed after them all the days.

Jasher 65:1-4,6-15,22-26,37-38



[1]And it came to pass after these things, that all the counsellors of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and all the elders of Egypt assembled and came before the king and bowed down to the ground, and they sat before him.

[2]And the counsellors and elders of Egypt spoke unto the king, saying,

[3]Behold the people of the children of Israel is greater and mightier than we are, and thou knowest all the evil which they did to us in the road when we returned from battle.

[4]And thou hast also seen their strong power, for this power is unto them from their fathers, for but a few men stood up against a people numerous as the sand, and smote them at the edge of the sword, and of themselves not one has fallen, so that if they had been numerous they would then have utterly destroyed them.

[6]For if the children of Israel should increase in the land, they will become an obstacle to us, and if any war should happen to take place, they with their great strength will join our enemy against us, and fight against us, destroy us from the land and go away from it.

[7]So the king answered the elders of Egypt and said unto them, This is the plan advised against Israel, from which we will not depart,

[8]Behold in the land are Pithom and Rameses, cities unfortified against battle, it behooves you and us to build them, and to fortify them.

[9]Now therefore go you also and act cunningly toward them, and proclaim a voice in Egypt and in Goshen at the command of the king, saying,

[10]All ye men of Egypt, Goshen, Pathros and all their inhabitants! the king has commanded us to build Pithom and Rameses, and to fortify them for battle; who amongst you of all Egypt, of the children of Israel and of all the inhabitants of the cities, are willing to build with us, shall each have his wages given to him daily at the king's order; so go you first and do cunningly, and gather yourselves and come to Pithom and Rameses to build.

[11]And whilst you are building, cause a proclamation of this kind to be made throughout Egypt every day at the command of the king.

[12]And when some of the children of Israel shall come to build with you, you shall give them their wages daily for a few days.

[13]And after they shall have built with you for their daily hire, drag yourselves away from them daily one by one in secret, and then you shall rise up and become their task-



masters and officers, and you shall leave them afterward to build without wages, and should they refuse, then force them with all your might to build.

[14]And if you do this it will be well with us to strengthen our land against the children of Israel, for on account of the fatigue of the building and the work, the children of Israel will decrease, because you will deprive them from their wives day by day.

[15]And all the elders of Egypt heard the counsel of the king, and the counsel seemed good in their eyes and in the eyes of the servants of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all Egypt, and they did according to the word of the king.

[22]And the servants of Pharaoh built with all Israel, and were employed in that work with Israel for a month.

[23]And at the end of the month, all the servants of Pharaoh began to withdraw secretly from the people of Israel daily.

[24]And Israel went on with the work at that time, but they then received their daily hire, because some of the men of Egypt were yet carrying on the work with Israel at that time; therefore the Egyptians gave Israel their hire in those days, in order that they, the Egyptians their fellow-workmen, might also take the pay for their labor.

[25]And at the end of a year and four months all the Egyptians had withdrawn from the children of Israel, so that the children of Israel were left alone engaged in the work.

[26]And after all the Egyptians had withdrawn from the children of Israel they returned and became oppressors and officers over them, and some of them stood over the children of Israel as task masters, to receive from them all that they gave them for the pay of their labor.

[37]And the children of Israel called Melol the king of Egypt "Meror, king of Egypt," because in his days the Egyptians had embittered their lives with all manner of work.

[38]And all the work wherein the Egyptians made the children of Israel labor, they exacted with rigor, in order to afflict the children of Israel, but the more they afflicted them, the more they increased and grew, and the Egyptians were grieved because of the children of Israel.

Jasher 66:7-22

[7]So the Egyptians said unto the children of Israel, Hasten and do your work, and finish your task, and strengthen the land, lest the children of Esau your brethren should come to fight against us, for on your account will they come against us.



[8]And the children of Israel did the work of the men of Egypt day by day, and the Egyptians afflicted the children of Israel in order to lessen them in the land.

[9]But as the Egyptians increased the labor upon the children of Israel, so did the children of Israel increase and multiply, and all Egypt was filled with the children of Israel.

[10]And in the hundred and twenty-fifth year of Israel's going down into Egypt, all the Egyptians saw that their counsel did not succeed against Israel, but that they increased and grew, and the land of Egypt and the land of Goshen were filled with the children of Israel.

[11]So all the elders of Egypt and its wise men came before the king and bowed down to him and sat before him.

[12]And all the elders of Egypt and the wise men thereof said unto the king, May the king live forever; thou didst counsel us the counsel against the children of Israel, and we did unto them according to the word of the king.

[13]But in proportion to the increase of the labor so do they increase and grow in the land, and behold the whole country is filled with them.

[14]Now therefore our lord and king, the eyes of all Egypt are upon thee to give them advice with thy wisdom, by which they may prevail over Israel to destroy them, or to diminish them from the land; and the king answered them saying, Give you counsel in this matter that we may know what to do unto them.

[15]And an officer, one of the king's counsellors, whose name was Job, from Mesopotamia, in the land of Uz, answered the king, saying,

[16]If it please the king, let him hear the counsel of his servant; and the king said unto him, Speak.

[17]And Job spoke before the king, the princes, and before all the elders of Egypt, saying,

[18]Behold the counsel of the king which he advised formerly respecting the labor of the children of Israel is very good, and you must not remove from them that labor forever.

[19]But this is the advice counselled by which you may lessen them, if it seems good to the king to afflict them.

[20]Behold we have feared war for a long time, and we said, When Israel becomes fruitful in the land, they will drive us from the land if a war should take place.



[21]If it please the king, let a royal decree go forth, and let it be written in the laws of Egypt which shall not be revoked, that every male child born to the Israelites, his blood shall be spilled upon the ground.

[22]And by your doing this, when all the male children of Israel shall have died, the evil of their wars will cease; let the king do so and send for all the Hebrew midwives and order them in this matter to execute it; so the thing pleased the king and the princes, and the king did according to the word of Job.

Jasher 66:23-26

[23]And the king sent for the Hebrew midwives to be called, of which the name of one was Shephrah, and the name of the other Puah.

[24]And the midwives came before the king, and stood in his presence.

[25]And the king said unto them, When you do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools, if it be a son, then you shall kill him, but if it be a daughter, then she shall live.

[26]But if you will not do this thing, then will I burn you up and all your houses with fire.

Exodus 1:18-21

[18]And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?

[19]And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.

[20]Therefore Alahayim dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.

[21]And it came to pass, because the midwives feared Alahayim, that he made them houses.

Jasher 67:1-4,53

[1]There was a man in the land of Egypt of the seed of Levi, whose name was Amram, the son of Kehath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.



[2]And this man went and took a wife, namely Jochebed the daughter of Levi his father's sister, and she was one hundred and twenty-six years old, and he came unto her.

[3]And the woman conceived and bare a daughter, and she called her name Miriam, because in those days the Egyptians had embittered the lives of the children of Israel.

[4]And she conceived again and bare a son and she called his name Aaron, for in the days of her conception, Pharaoh began to spill the blood of the male children of Israel.

[53]And when the children of Israel heard this thing which Pharaoh had commanded, to cast their male children into the river, some of the people separated from their wives and others adhered to them.

Jubilees 16:16-18

[16]And we returned in the seventh month, and found Sarah with child before us] and we blessed him, and we announced to him all the things which had been decreed concerning him, that he should not die till he should beget six sons more, and should see (them) before he died; but (that) in Isaac should his name and seed be called:

[17]And (that) all the seed of his sons should be Gentiles, and be reckoned with the Gentiles; but from the sons of Isaac one should become a holy seed, and should not be reckoned among the Gentiles.

[18]For he should become the portion of the Most High, and all his seed had fallen into the possession of Alahayim, that it should be unto the Lord a people for (His) possession above all nations and that it should become a kingdom and priests and a holy nation.

Jasher 68:1-32

[1]And it was at that time the spirit of Alahayim was upon Miriam the daughter of Amram the sister of Aaron, and she went forth and prophesied about the house, saying, Behold a son will be born unto us from my father and mother this time, and he will save Israel from the hands of Egypt.

[2]And when Amram heard the words of his daughter, he went and took his wife back to the house, after he had driven her away at the time when Pharaoh ordered every male child of the house of Jacob to be thrown into the water.

[3]So Amram took Jochebed his wife, three years after he had driven her away, and he came to her and she conceived.



[4]And at the end of seven months from her conception she brought forth a son, and the whole house was filled with great light as of the light of the sun and moon at the time of their shining.

[5]And when the woman saw the child that it was good and pleasing to the sight, she hid it for three months in an inner room.

[6]In those days the Egyptians conspired to destroy all the Hebrews there.

[7]And the Egyptian women went to Goshen where the children of Israel were, and they carried their young ones upon their shoulders, their babes who could not yet speak.

[8]And in those days, when the women of the children of Israel brought forth, each woman had hidden her son from before the Egyptians, that the Egyptians might not know of their bringing forth, and might not destroy them from the land.

[9]And the Egyptian women came to Goshen and their children who could not speak were upon their shoulders, and when an Egyptian woman came into the house of a Hebrew woman her babe began to cry.

[10]And when it cried the child that was in the inner room answered it, so the Egyptian women went and told it at the house of Pharaoh.

[11]And Pharaoh sent his officers to take the children and slay them; thus did the Egyptians to the Hebrew women all the days.

[12]And it was at that time, about three months from Jochebed's concealment of her son, that the thing was known in Pharaoh's house.

[13]And the woman hastened to take away her son before the officers came, and she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein, and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.

[14]And his sister Miriam stood afar off to know what would be done to him, and what would become of her words.

[15]And Alahayim sent forth at that time a terrible heat in the land of Egypt, which burned up the flesh of man like the sun in his circuit, and it greatly oppressed the Egyptians.

[16]And all the Egyptians went down to bathe in the river, on account of the consuming heat which burned up their flesh.



[17]And Bathia, the daughter of Pharaoh, went also to bathe in the river, owing to the consuming heat, and her maidens walked at the river side, and all the women of Egypt as well.

[18]And Bathia lifted up her eyes to the river, and she saw the ark upon the water, and sent her maid to fetch it.

[19]And she opened it and saw the child, and behold the babe wept, and she had compassion on him, and she said, This is one of the Hebrew children.

[20]And all the women of Egypt walking on the river side desired to give him suck, but he would not suck, for this thing was from the Lord, in order to restore him to his mother's breast.

[21]And Miriam his sister was at that time amongst the Egyptian women at the river side, and she saw this thing and she said to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and fetch a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?

[22]And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go, and the young woman went and called the child's mother.

[23]And Pharaoh's daughter said to Jochebed, Take this child away and suckle it for me, and I will pay thee thy wages, two bits of silver daily; and the woman took the child and nursed it.

[24]And at the end of two years, when the child grew up, she brought him to the daughter of Pharaoh, and he was unto her as a son, and she called his name Moses, for she said, Because I drew him out of the water.

[25]And Amram his father called his name Chabar, for he said, It was for him that he associated with his wife whom he had turned away.

[26]And Jochebed his mother called his name Jekuthiel, Because, she said, I have hoped for him to the Almighty, and Alahayim restored him unto me.

[27]And Miriam his sister called him Jered, for she descended after him to the river to know what his end would be.

[28]And Aaron his brother called his name Abi Zanuch, saying, My father left my mother and returned to her on his account.

[29]And Kehath the father of Amram called his name Abigdor, because on his account did Alahayim repair the breach of the house of Jacob, that they could no longer throw their male children into the water.



[30]And their nurse called him Abi Socho, saying, In his tabernacle was he hidden for three months, on account of the children of Ham.

[31]And all Israel called his name Shemaiah, son of Nethanel, for they said, In his days has Alahayim heard their cries and rescued them from their oppressors.

[32]And Moses was in Pharaoh's house, and was unto Bathia, Pharaoh's daughter, as a son, and Moses grew up amongst the king's children.

Jasher 70:1-51

[1]And in the third year from the birth of Moses, Pharaoh was sitting at a banquet, when Alparanith the queen was sitting at his right and Bathia at his left, and the lad Moses was lying upon her bosom, and Balaam the son of Beor with his two sons, and all the princes of the kingdom were sitting at table in the king's presence.

[2]And the lad stretched forth his hand upon the king's head, and took the crown from the king's head and placed it on his own head.

[3]And when the king and princes saw the work which the boy had done, the king and princes were terrified, and one man to his neighbor expressed astonishment.

[4]And the king said unto the princes who were before him at table, What speak you and what say you, O ye princes, in this matter, and what is to be the judgment against the boy on account of this act?

[5]And Balaam the son of Beor the magician answered before the king and princes, and he said, Remember now, O my lord and king, the dream which thou didst dream many days since, and that which thy servant interpreted unto thee.

[6]Now therefore this is a child from the Hebrew children, in whom is the spirit of Alahayim, and let not my lord the king imagine that this youngster did this thing without knowledge.

[7]For he is a Hebrew boy, and wisdom and understanding are with him, although he is yet a child, and with wisdom has he done this and chosen unto himself the kingdom of Egypt.

[8]For this is the manner of all the Hebrews to deceive kings and their nobles, to do all these things cunningly, in order to make the kings of the earth and their men tremble.

[9]Surely thou knowest that Abraham their father acted thus, who deceived the army of Nimrod king of Babel, and Abimelech king of Gerar, and that he possessed himself of the land of the children of Heth and all the kingdoms of Canaan.



[10]And that he descended into Egypt and said of Sarah his wife, she is my sister, in order to mislead Egypt and her king.

[11]His son Isaac also did so when he went to Gerar and dwelt there, and his strength prevailed over the army of Abimelech king of the Philistines.

[12]He also thought of making the kingdom of the Philistines stumble, in saying that Rebecca his wife was his sister.

[13]Jacob also dealt treacherously with his brother, and took from his hand his birthright and his blessing.

[14]He went then to Padan-aram to the house of Laban his mother's brother, and cunningly obtained from him his daughter, his cattle, and all belonging to him, and fled away and returned to the land of Canaan to his father.

[15]His sons sold their brother Joseph, who went down into Egypt and became a slave, and was placed in the prison house for twelve years.

[16]Until the former Pharaoh dreamed dreams, and withdrew him from the prison house, and magnified him above all the princes in Egypt on account of his interpreting his dreams to him.

[17]And when Alahayim caused a famine throughout the land he sent for and brought his father and all his brothers, and the whole of his father's household, and supported them without price or reward, and bought the Egyptians for slaves.

[18]Now therefore my lord king behold this child has risen up in their stead in Egypt, to do according to their deeds and to trifle with every king, prince and judge.

[19]If it please the king, let us now spill his blood upon the ground, lest he grow up and take away the government from thy hand, and the hope of Egypt perish after he shall have reigned.

[20]And Balaam said to the king, Let us moreover call for all the judges of Egypt and the wise men thereof, and let us know if the judgment of death is due to this boy as thou didst say, and then we will slay him.

[21]And Pharaoh sent and called for all the wise men of Egypt and they came before the king, and an angel of the Lord came amongst them, and he was like one of the wise men of Egypt.

[22]And the king said to the wise men, Surely you have heard what this Hebrew boy who is in the house has done, and thus has Balaam judged in the matter.



[23]Now judge you also and see what is due to the boy for the act he has committed.

[24]And the angel, who seemed like one of the wise men of Pharaoh, answered and said as follows, before all the wise men of Egypt and before the king and the princes:

[25]If it please the king let the king send for men who shall bring before him an onyx stone and a coal of fire, and place them before the child, and if the child shall stretch forth his hand and take the onyx stone, then shall we know that with wisdom has the youth done all that he has done, and we must slay him.

[26]But if he stretch forth his hand upon the coal, then shall we know that it was not with knowledge that he did this thing, and he shall live.

[27]And the thing seemed good in the eyes of the king and the princes, so the king did according to the word of the angel of the Lord.

[28]And the king ordered the onyx stone and coal to be brought and placed before Moses.

[29]And they placed the boy before them, and the lad endeavored to stretch forth his hand to the onyx stone, but the angel of the Lord took his hand and placed it upon the coal, and the coal became extinguished in his hand, and he lifted it up and put it into his mouth, and burned part of his lips and part of his tongue, and he became heavy in mouth and tongue.

[30]And when the king and princes saw this, they knew that Moses had not acted with wisdom in taking off the crown from the king's head.

[31]So the king and princes refrained from slaying the child, so Moses remained in Pharaoh's house, growing up, and the Lord was with him.

[32]And whilst the boy was in the king's house, he was robed in purple and he grew amongst the children of the king.

[33]And when Moses grew up in the king's house, Bathia the daughter of Pharaoh considered him as a son, and all the household of Pharaoh honored him, and all the men of Egypt were afraid of him.

[34]And he daily went forth and came into the land of Goshen, where his brethren the children of Israel were, and Moses saw them daily in shortness of breath and hard labor.

[35]And Moses asked them, saying, Wherefore is this labor meted out unto you day by day?



[36]And they told him all that had befallen them, and all the injunctions which Pharaoh had put upon them before his birth.

[37]And they told him all the counsels which Balaam the son of Beor had counselled against them, and what he had also counselled against him in order to slay him when he had taken the king's crown from off his head.

[38]And when Moses heard these things his anger was kindled against Balaam, and he sought to kill him, and he was in ambush for him day by day.

[39]And Balaam was afraid of Moses, and he and his two sons rose up and went forth from Egypt, and they fled and delivered their souls and betook themselves to the land of Cush to Kikianus, king of Cush.

[40]And Moses was in the king's house going out and coming in, the Lord gave him favor in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants, and in the eyes of all the people of Egypt, and they loved Moses exceedingly.

[41]And the day arrived when Moses went to Goshen to see his brethren, that he saw the children of Israel in their burdens and hard labor, and Moses was grieved on their account.

[42]And Moses returned to Egypt and came to the house of Pharaoh, and came before the king, and Moses bowed down before the king.

[43]And Moses said unto Pharaoh, I pray thee my lord, I have come to seek a small request from thee, turn not away my face empty; and Pharaoh said unto him, Speak.

[44]And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Let there be given unto thy servants the children of Israel who are in Goshen, one day to rest therein from their labor.

[45]And the king answered Moses and said, Behold I have lifted up thy face in this thing to grant thy request.

[46]And Pharaoh ordered a proclamation to be issued throughout Egypt and Goshen, saying,

[47]To you, all the children of Israel, thus says the king, for six days you shall do your work and labor, but on the seventh day you shall rest, and shall not preform any work, thus shall you do all the days, as the king and Moses the son of Bathia have commanded.

[48]And Moses rejoiced at this thing which the king had granted to him, and all the children of Israel did as Moses ordered them.



[49]For this thing was from the Lord to the children of Israel, for the Lord had begun to remember the children of Israel to save them for the sake of their fathers.

[50]And the Lord was with Moses and his fame went throughout Egypt.

[51]And Moses became great in the eyes of all the Egyptians, and in the eyes of all the children of Israel, seeking good for his people Israel and speaking words of peace regarding them to the king.

Ezekiel 20:12

[12]Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them.

Jasher 71:1-16

[1]And when Moses was eighteen years old, he desired to see his father and mother and he went to them to Goshen, and when Moses had come near Goshen, he came to the place where the children of Israel were engaged in work, and he observed their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian smiting one of his Hebrew brethren.

[2]And when the man who was beaten saw Moses he ran to him for help, for the man Moses was greatly respected in the house of Pharaoh, and he said to him, My lord attend to me, this Egyptian came to my house in the night, bound me, and came to my wife in my presence, and now he seeks to take my life away.

[3]And when Moses heard this wicked thing, his anger was kindled against the Egyptian, and he turned this way and the other, and when he saw there was no man there he smote the Egyptian and hid him in the sand, and delivered the Hebrew from the hand of him that smote him.

[4]And the Hebrew went to his house, and Moses returned to his home, and went forth and came back to the king's house.

[5]And when the man had returned home, he thought of repudiating his wife, for it was not right in the house of Jacob, for any man to come to his wife after she had been defiled.

[6]And the woman went and told her brothers, and the woman's brothers sought to slay him, and he fled to his house and escaped.

[7]And on the second day Moses went forth to his brethren, and saw, and behold two men were quarreling, and he said to the wicked one, Why dost thou smite thy neighbor?



[8]And he answered him and said to him, Who has set thee for a prince and judge over us? dost thou think to slay me as thou didst slay the Egyptian? and Moses was afraid and he said, Surely the thing is known?

[9]And Pharaoh heard of this affair, and he ordered Moses to be slain, so Alahayim sent his angel, and he appeared unto Pharaoh in the likeness of a captain of the guard.

[10]And the angel of the Lord took the sword from the hand of the captain of the guard, and took his head off with it, for the likeness of the captain of the guard was turned into the likeness of Moses.

[11]And the angel of the Lord took hold of the right hand of Moses, and brought him forth from Egypt, and placed him from without the borders of Egypt, a distance of forty days' journey.

[12]And Aaron his brother alone remained in the land of Egypt, and he prophesied to the children of Israel, saying,

[13]Thus says the Lord Alahayim of your ancestors, Throw away, each man, the abominations of his eyes, and do not defile yourselves with the idols of Egypt.

[14]And the children of Israel rebelled and would not hearken to Aaron at that time.

[15]And the Lord thought to destroy them, were it not that the Lord remembered the covenant which he had made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

[16]In those days the hand of Pharaoh continued to be severe against the children of Israel, and he crushed and oppressed them until the time when Alahayim sent forth his word and took notice of them.

Jasher 72:1,21-23,25-26,29-42

[1]And it was in those days that there was a great war between the children of Cush and the children of the east and Aram, and they rebelled against the king of Cush in whose hands they were.

[21]At that time that the war and the siege were against Cush, Moses fled from Egypt from Pharaoh who sought to kill him for having slain the Egyptian.

[22]And Moses was eighteen years old when he fled from Egypt from the presence of Pharaoh, and he fled and escaped to the camp of Kikianus, which at that time was besieging Cush.

[23]And Moses was nine years in the camp of Kikianus king of Cush, all the time that they were besieging Cush, and Moses went out and came in with them.



[25]And at the end of nine years, Kikianus was seized with a mortal disease, and his illness prevailed over him, and he died on the seventh day.

[26]So his servants embalmed him and carried him and buried him opposite the city gate to the north of the land of Egypt.

[29]Now after the death of Kikianus king of Cush it grieved his men and troops greatly on account of the war.

[30]So they said one to the other, Give us counsel what we are to do at this time, as we have resided in the wilderness nine years away from our homes.

[31]If we say we will fight against the city many of us will fall wounded or killed, and if we remain here in the siege we shall also die.

[32]For now all the kings of Aram and of the children of the east will hear that our king is dead, and they will attack us suddenly in a hostile manner, and they will fight against us and leave no remnant of us.

[33]Now therefore let us go and make a king over us, and let us remain in the siege until the city is delivered up to us.

[34]And they wished to choose on that day a man for king from the army of Kikianus, and they found no object of their choice like Moses to reign over them.

[35]And they hastened and stripped off each man his garments and cast them upon the ground, and they made a great heap and placed Moses thereon.

[36]And they rose up and blew with trumpets and called out before him, and said, May the king live, may the king live!

[37]And all the people and nobles swore unto him to give him for a wife Adoniah the queen, the Cushite, wife of Kikianus, and they made Moses king over them on that day.

[38]And all the people of Cush issued a proclamation on that day, saying, Every man must give something to Moses of what is in his possession.

[39]And they spread out a sheet upon the heap, and every man cast into it something of what he had, one a gold earring and the other a coin.

[40]Also of onyx stones, bdellium, pearls and marble did the children of Cush cast unto Moses upon the heap, also silver and gold in great abundance.



[41]And Moses took all the silver and gold, all the vessels, and the bdellium and onyx stones, which all the children of Cush had given to him, and he placed them amongst his treasures.

[42]And Moses reigned over the children of Cush on that day, in the place of Kikianus king of Cush.

Jasher 73:1-2,31-39

[1]In the fifty-fifth year of the reign of Pharaoh king of Egypt, that is in the hundred and fifty-seventh year of the Israelites going down into Egypt, reigned Moses in Cush.

[2]Moses was twenty-seven years old when he began to reign over Cush, and forty years did he reign.

[31]And they placed the royal crown upon his head, and they gave him for a wife Adoniah the Cushite queen, wife of Kikianus.

[32]And Moses feared the Lord Alahayim of his fathers, so that he came not to her, nor did he turn his eyes to her.

[33]For Moses remembered how Abraham had made his servant Eliezer swear, saying unto him, Thou shalt not take a woman from the daughters of Canaan for my son Isaac.

[34]Also what Isaac did when Jacob had fled from his brother, when he commanded him, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan, nor make alliance with any of the children of Ham.

[35]For the Lord our Alahayim gave Ham the son of Noah, and his children and all his seed, as slaves to the children of Shem and to the children of Japheth, and unto their seed after them for slaves, forever.

[36]Therefore Moses turned not his heart nor his eyes to the wife of Kikianus all the days that he reigned over Cush.

[37]And Moses feared the Lord his Alahayim all his life, and Moses walked before the Lord in truth, with all his heart and soul, he turned not from the right way all the days of his life; he declined not from the way either to the right or to the left, in which Abraham, Isaac and Jacob had walked.

[38]And Moses strengthened himself in the kingdom of the children of Cush, and he guided the children of Cush with his usual wisdom, and Moses prospered in his kingdom.



[39]And at that time Aram and the children of the east heard that Kikianus king of Cush had died, so Aram and the children of the east rebelled against Cush in those days.

Numbers 12:1

[1]And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

Jasher 76:1-13,21-23

[1]And Moses the son of Amram was still king in the land of Cush in those days, and he prospered in his kingdom, and he conducted the government of the children of Cush in justice, in righteousness, and integrity.

[2]And all the children of Cush loved Moses all the days that he reigned over them, and all the inhabitants of the land of Cush were greatly afraid of him.

[3]And in the fortieth year of the reign of Moses over Cush, Moses was sitting on the royal throne whilst Adoniah the queen was before him, and all the nobles were sitting around him.

[4]And Adoniah the queen said before the king and the princes, What is this thing which you, the children of Cush, have done for this long time?

[5]Surely you know that for forty years that this man has reigned over Cush he has not approached me, nor has he served the alahayims of the children of Cush.

[6]Now therefore hear, O ye children of Cush, and let this man no more reign over you as he is not of our flesh.

[7]Behold Menacrus my son is grown up, let him reign over you, for it is better for you to serve the son of your lord, than to serve a stranger, slave of the king of Egypt.

[8]And all the people and nobles of the children of Cush heard the words which Adoniah the queen had spoken in their ears.

[9]And all the people were preparing until the evening, and in the morning they rose up early and made Menacrus, son of Kikianus, king over them.

[10]And all the children of Cush were afraid to stretch forth their hand against Moses, for the Lord was with Moses, and the children of Cush remembered the oath which they swore unto Moses, therefore they did no harm to him.

[11]But the children of Cush gave many presents to Moses, and sent him from them with great honor.



[12]So Moses went forth from the land of Cush, and went home and ceased to reign over Cush, and Moses was sixty-six years old when he went out of the land of Cush, for the thing was from the Lord, for the period had arrived which he had appointed in the days of old, to bring forth Israel from the affliction of the children of Ham.

[13]So Moses went to Midian, for he was afraid to return to Egypt on account of Pharaoh, and he went and sat at a well of water in Midian.

[21]And Moses related to Reuel that he had fled from Egypt and that he reigned forty years over Cush, and that they afterward had taken the government from him, and had sent him away in peace with honor and with presents.

[22]And when Reuel had heard the words of Moses, Reuel said within himself, I will put this man into the prison house, whereby I shall conciliate the children of Cush, for he has fled from them.

[23]And they took and put him into the prison house, and Moses was in prison ten years, and whilst Moses was in the prison house, Zipporah the daughter of Reuel took pity over him, and supported him with bread and water all the time.

Exodus 2:16-20

[16]Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

[17]And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.

[18]And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that ye are come so soon to day?

[19]And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for us, and watered the flock.

[20]And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? why is it that ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread.

Jasher 77:25-51

[25]And Alahayim saw the burden of the children of Israel, and their heavy work in those days, and he determined to deliver them.

[26]And Moses the son of Amram was still confined in the dungeon in those days, in the house of Reuel the Midianite, and Zipporah the daughter of Reuel did support him with food secretly day by day.



[27]And Moses was confined in the dungeon in the house of Reuel for ten years.

[28]And at the end of ten years which was the first year of the reign of Pharaoh over Egypt, in the place of his father,

[29]Zipporah said to her father Reuel, No person inquires or seeks after the Hebrew man, whom thou didst bind in prison now ten years.

[30]Now therefore, if it seem good in thy sight, let us send and see whether he is living or dead, but her father knew not that she had supported him.

[31]And Reuel her father answered and said to her, Has ever such a thing happened that a man should be shut up in a prison without food for ten years, and that he should live?

[32]And Zipporah answered her father, saying, Surely thou hast heard that the Alahayim of the Hebrews is great and awful, and does wonders for them at all times.

[33]He it was who delivered Abraham from Ur of the Chaldeans, and Isaac from the sword of his father, and Jacob from the angel of the Lord who wrestled with him at the ford of Jabbuk.

[34]Also with this man has he done many things, he delivered him from the river in Egypt and from the sword of Pharaoh, and from the children of Cush, so also can he deliver him from famine and make him live.

[35]And the thing seemed good in the sight of Reuel, and he did according to the word of his daughter, and sent to the dungeon to ascertain what became of Moses.

[36]And he saw, and behold the man Moses was living in the dungeon, standing upon his feet, praising and praying to the Alahayim of his ancestors.

[37]And Reuel commanded Moses to be brought out of the dungeon, so they shaved him and he changed his prison garments and ate bread.

[38]And afterward Moses went into the garden of Reuel which was behind the house, and he there prayed to the Lord his Alahayim, who had done mighty wonders for him.

[39]And it was that whilst he prayed he looked opposite to him, and behold a sapphire stick was placed in the ground, which was planted in the midst of the garden.

[40]And he approached the stick and he looked, and behold the name of the Lord Alahayim of hosts was engraved thereon, written and developed upon the stick.

[41]And he read it and stretched forth his hand and he plucked it like a forest tree from the thicket, and the stick was in his hand.



[42]And this is the stick with which all the works of our Alahayim were performed, after he had created heaven and earth, and all the host of them, seas, rivers and all their fishes.

[43]And when Alahayim had driven Adam from the garden of Eden, he took the stick in his hand and went and tilled the ground from which he was taken.

[44]And the stick came down to Noah and was given to Shem and his descendants, until it came into the hand of Abraham the Hebrew.

[45]And when Abraham had given all he had to his son Isaac, he also gave to him this stick.

[46]And when Jacob had fled to Padan-aram, he took it into his hand, and when he returned to his father he had not left it behind him.

[47]Also when he went down to Egypt he took it into his hand and gave it to Joseph, one portion above his brethren, for Jacob had taken it by force from his brother Esau.

[48]And after the death of Joseph, the nobles of Egypt came into the house of Joseph, and the stick came into the hand of Reuel the Midianite, and when he went out of Egypt, he took it in his hand and planted it in his garden.

[49]And all the mighty men of the Kinites tried to pluck it when they endeavored to get Zipporah his daughter, but they were unsuccessful.

[50]So that stick remained planted in the garden of Reuel, until he came who had a right to it and took it.

[51]And when Reuel saw the stick in the hand of Moses, he wondered at it, and he gave him his daughter Zipporah for a wife.

Exodus 3:1-6

[1]Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of Alahayim, even to Horeb.

[2]And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

[3]And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.



[4]And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, Alahayim called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

[5]And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

[6]Moreover he said, I am the Alahayim of thy father, the Alahayim of Abraham, the Alahayim of Isaac, and the Alahayim of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon Alahayim.

Exodus 3:7-15

[7]And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

[8]And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

[9]Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

[10]Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

[11]And Moses said unto Alahayim, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

[12]And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve Alahayim upon this mountain.

[13]And Moses said unto Alahayim, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The Alahayim of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them?

[14]And Alahayim said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

[15]And Alahayim said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD Alahayim of your fathers, the Alahayim of Abraham, the Alahayim of Isaac, and the Alahayim of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.



Exodus 5:1-23

[1]And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD Alahayim of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.

[2]And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

[3]And they said, The Alahayim of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our Alahayim; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword.

[4]And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.

[5]And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens.

[6]And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,

[7]Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.

[8]And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our Alahayim.

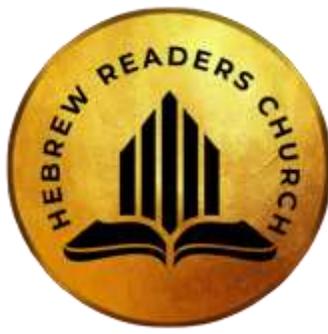
[9]Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.

[10]And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

[11]Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.

[12]So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

[13]And the taskmasters hastened them, saying, Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw.



[14]And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?

[15]Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?

[16]There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants are beaten; but the fault is in thine own people.

[17]But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD.

[18]Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

[19]And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in evil case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish ought from your bricks of your daily task.

[20]And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

[21]And they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

[22]And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?

[23]For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.

Jasher 79:43

[43]And when the king saw this thing, he ordered the book of records that related to the kings of Egypt, to be brought, and they brought the book of records, the chronicles of the kings of Egypt, in which all the idols of Egypt were inscribed, for they thought of finding therein the name of Jehovah, but they found it not.

Exodus 5:23

[23]For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.



Jasher 79:56-57

[56]And Moses and Aaron dwelt amongst their brethren the children of Israel in Egypt.

[57]And as for the children of Israel the Egyptians embittered their lives, with the heavy work which they imposed upon them.

Jasher 80:1-2

[1]And at the end of two years, the Lord again sent Moses to Pharaoh to bring forth the children of Israel, and to send them out of the land of Egypt.

[2]And Moses went and came to the house of Pharaoh, and he spoke to him the words of the Lord who had sent him, but Pharaoh would not hearken to the voice of the Lord, and Alahayim roused his might in Egypt upon Pharaoh and his subjects, and Alahayim smote Pharaoh and his people with very great and sore plagues.

Exodus 12:10-13

[10]And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

[11]And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S passover.

[12]For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the alahayims of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.

[13]And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

Exodus 7:1-6

[1]And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a alahayim to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.

[2]Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

[3]And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.



[4]But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

[5]And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.

[6]And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.

Psalms 105:23-27

[23]Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

[24]And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

[25]He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with his servants.

[26]He sent Moses his servant; and Aaron whom he had chosen.

[27]They shewed his signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.

Jubilees 48:1-11

[1]And in the sixth year of the third week of the forty-ninth jubilee thou didst depart and dwell, five weeks and one year. And thou didst return into Egypt in the second week in the second year in the fiftieth jubilee.

[2]And thou thyself knowest what He spake unto thee on Mount Sinai, and what prince Mastêmâ desired to do with thee when thou wast returning into Egypt.

[3]Did he not with all his power seek to slay thee and deliver the Egyptians out of thy hand when he saw that thou wast sent to execute judgment and vengeance on the Egyptians?

[4]And I delivered thee out of his hand, and thou didst perform the signs and wonders which thou wast sent to perform in Egypt against Pharaoh, and against all his house, and against his servants and his people.

[5]And the Lord executed a great vengeance on them for Israel's sake, and smote them through (the plagues of) blood and frogs, lice and dog-flies, and malignant boils breaking forth in blains; and their cattle by death; and by hail-stones, thereby He destroyed everything that grew for them; and by locusts which devoured the residue which had been left by the hail, and by darkness; and of the first-born of men and animals, and on all their idols the Lord took vengeance and burned them with fire.



[6]And everything was sent through thy hand, that thou shouldst declare (these things) before they were done, and thou didst speak with the king of Egypt before all his servants and before his people.

[7]And everything took place according to thy words; ten great and terrible judgments came on the land of Egypt that thou mightest execute vengeance on it for Israel.

[8]And the Lord did everything for Israel's sake, and according to His covenant, which he had ordained with Abraham that He would take vengeance on them as they had brought them by force into bondage.

[9]And the prince Mastêmâ stood up against thee, and sought to cast thee into the hands of Pharaoh, and he helped the Egyptian sorcerers,

[10]and they stood up and wrought before thee the evils indeed we permitted them to work, but the remedies we did not allow to be wrought by their hands.

[11]And the Lord smote them with malignant ulcers, and they were not able to stand, for we destroyed them so that they could not perform a single sign.

Jasher 80:2-42

[2]And Moses went and came to the house of Pharaoh, and he spoke to him the words of the Lord who had sent him, but Pharaoh would not hearken to the voice of the Lord, and Alahayim roused his might in Egypt upon Pharaoh and his subjects, and Alahayim smote Pharaoh and his people with very great and sore plagues.

[3]And the Lord sent by the hand of Aaron and turned all the waters of Egypt into blood, with all their streams and rivers.

[4]And when an Egyptian came to drink and draw water, he looked into his pitcher, and behold all the water was turned into blood; and when he came to drink from his cup the water in the cup became blood.

[5]And when a woman kneaded her dough and cooked her victuals, their appearance was turned to that of blood.

[6]And the Lord sent again and caused all their waters to bring forth frogs, and all the frogs came into the houses of the Egyptians.

[7]And when the Egyptians drank, their bellies were filled with frogs and they danced in their bellies as they dance when in the river.

[8]And all their drinking water and cooking water turned to frogs, also when they lay in their beds their perspiration bred frogs.



[9]Notwithstanding all this the anger of the Lord did not turn from them, and his hand was stretched out against all the Egyptians to smite them with every heavy plague.

[10]And he sent and smote their dust to lice, and the lice became in Egypt to the height of two cubits upon the earth.

[11]The lice were also very numerous, in the flesh of man and beast, in all the inhabitants of Egypt, also upon the king and queen the Lord sent the lice, and it grieved Egypt exceedingly on account of the lice.

[12]Notwithstanding this, the anger of the Lord did not turn away, and his hand was still stretched out over Egypt.

[13]And the Lord sent all kinds of beasts of the field into Egypt, and they came and destroyed all Egypt, man and beast, and trees, and all things that were in Egypt.

[14]And the Lord sent fiery serpents, scorpions, mice, weasels, toads, together with others creeping in dust.

[15]Flies, hornets, fleas, bugs and gnats, each swarm according to its kind.

[16]And all reptiles and winged animals according to their kind came to Egypt and grieved the Egyptians exceedingly.

[17]And the fleas and flies came into the eyes and ears of the Egyptians.

[18]And the hornet came upon them and drove them away, and they removed from it into their inner rooms, and it pursued them.

[19]And when the Egyptians hid themselves on account of the swarm of animals, they locked their doors after them, and Alahayim ordered the Sulanuth which was in the sea, to come up and go into Egypt.

[20]And she had long arms, ten cubits in length of the cubit of a man.

[21]And she went upon the roofs and uncovered the raftering and flooring and cut them, and stretched forth her arm into the house and removed the lock and the bolt, and opened the houses of Egypt.

[22]Afterward came the swarm of animals into the houses of Egypt, and the swarm of animals destroyed the Egyptians, and it grieved them exceedingly.

[23]Notwithstanding this the anger of the Lord did not turn away from the Egyptians, and his hand was yet stretched forth against them.



[24]And Alahayim sent the pestilence, and the pestilence pervaded Egypt, in the horses and asses, and in the camels, in herds of oxen and sheep and in man.

[25]And when the Egyptians rose up early in the morning to take their cattle to pasture they found all their cattle dead.

[26]And there remained of the cattle of the Egyptians only one in ten, and of the cattle belonging to Israel in Goshen not one died.

[27]And Alahayim sent a burning inflammation in the flesh of the Egyptians, which burst their skins, and it became a severe itch in all the Egyptians from the soles of their feet to the crowns of their heads.

[28]And many boils were in their flesh, that their flesh wasted away until they became rotten and putrid.

[29]Notwithstanding this the anger of the Lord did not turn away, and his hand was still stretched out over all Egypt.

[30]And the Lord sent a very heavy hail, which smote their vines and broke their fruit trees and dried them up that they fell upon them.

[31]Also every green herb became dry and perished, for a mingling fire descended amidst the hail, therefore the hail and the fire consumed all things.

[32]Also men and beasts that were found abroad perished of the flames of fire and of the hail, and all the young lions were exhausted.

[33]And the Lord sent and brought numerous locusts into Egypt, the Chasel, Salom, Chargol, and Chagole, locusts each of its kind, which devoured all that the hail had left remaining.

[34]Then the Egyptians rejoiced at the locusts, although they consumed the produce of the field, and they caught them in abundance and salted them for food.

[35]And the Lord turned a mighty wind of the sea which took away all the locusts, even those that were salted, and thrust them into the Red Sea; not one locust remained within the boundaries of Egypt.

[36]And Alahayim sent darkness upon Egypt, that the whole land of Egypt and Pathros became dark for three days, so that a man could not see his hand when he lifted it to his mouth.



[37]At that time died many of the people of Israel who had rebelled against the Lord and who would not hearken to Moses and Aaron, and believed not in them that Alahayim had sent them.

[38]And who had said, We will not go forth from Egypt lest we perish with hunger in a desolate wilderness, and who would not hearken to the voice of Moses.

[39]And the Lord plagued them in the three days of darkness, and the Israelites buried them in those days, without the Egyptians knowing of them or rejoicing over them.

[40]And the darkness was very great in Egypt for three days, and any person who was standing when the darkness came, remained standing in his place, and he that was sitting remained sitting, and he that was lying continued lying in the same state, and he that was walking remained sitting upon the ground in the same spot; and this thing happened to all the Egyptians, until the darkness had passed away.

[41]And the days of darkness passed away, and the Lord sent Moses and Aaron to the children of Israel, saying, Celebrate your feast and make your Passover, for behold I come in the midst of the night amongst all the Egyptians, and I will smite all their first born, from the first born of a man to the first born of a beast, and when I see your Passover, I will pass over you.

[42]And the children of Israel did according to all that the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, thus did they in that night.

Jubilees 48:12-19

[12]And notwithstanding all (these) signs and wonders the prince Mastêmâ was not put to shame because he took courage and cried to the Egyptians to pursue after thee with all the powers of the Egyptians, with their chariots, and with their horses, and with all the hosts of the peoples of Egypt.

[13]And I stood between the Egyptians and Israel, and we delivered Israel out of his hand, and out of the hand of his people, and the Lord brought them through the midst of the sea as if it were dry land.

[14]And all the peoples whom he brought to pursue after Israel, the Lord our Alahayim cast them into the midst of the sea, into the depths of the abyss beneath the children of Israel, even as the people of Egypt had cast their children into the river He took vengeance on 1,000,000 of them, and one thousand strong and energetic men were



destroyed on account of one suckling of the children of thy people which they had thrown into the river.

[15]And on the fourteenth day and on the fifteenth and on the sixteenth and on the seventeenth and on the eighteenth the prince Mastêmâ was bound and imprisoned behind the children of Israel that he might not accuse them.

[16]And on the nineteenth we let them loose that they might help the Egyptians and pursue the children of Israel.

[17]And he hardened their hearts and made them stubborn, and the device was devised by the Lord our Alahayim that He might smite the Egyptians and cast them into the sea.

[18]And on the fourteenth we bound him that he might not accuse the children of Israel on the day when they asked the Egyptians for vessels and garments, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of bronze, in order to despoil the Egyptians in return for the bondage in which they had forced them to serve.

[19]And we did not lead forth the children of Israel from Egypt empty handed.

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[25]And the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and beheld all the Egyptians pursuing them, and the children of Israel were greatly terrified at them, and the children of Israel cried to the Lord.

[26]And on account of the Egyptians, the children of Israel divided themselves into four divisions, and they were divided in their opinions, for they were afraid of the Egyptians, and Moses spoke to each of them.

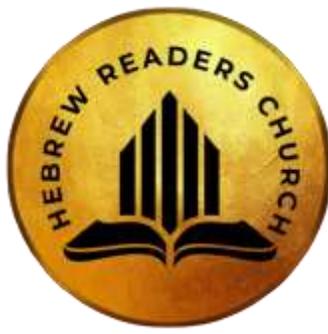
[27]The first division was of the children of Reuben, Simeon, and Issachar, and they resolved to cast themselves into the sea, for they were exceedingly afraid of the Egyptians.

[28]And Moses said to them, Fear not, stand still and see the salvation of the Lord which He will effect this day for you.

[29]The second division was of the children of Zebulun, Benjamin and Naphtali, and they resolved to go back to Egypt with the Egyptians.

[30]And Moses said to them, Fear not, for as you have seen the Egyptians this day, so shall you see them no more for ever.

[31]The third division was of the children of Judah and Joseph, and they resolved to go to meet the Egyptians to fight with them.



[32]And Moses said to them, Stand in your places, for the Lord will fight for you, and you shall remain silent.

[33]And the fourth division was of the children of Levi, Gad, and Asher, and they resolved to go into the midst of the Egyptians to confound them, and Moses said to them, Remain in your stations and fear not, only call unto the Lord that he may save you out of their hands.

[34]After this Moses rose up from amidst the people, and he prayed to the Lord and said,

[35]O Lord Alahayim of the whole earth, save now thy people whom thou didst bring forth from Egypt, and let not the Egyptians boast that power and might are theirs.

[36]So the Lord said to Moses, Why dost thou cry unto me? speak to the children of Israel that they shall proceed, and do thou stretch out thy rod upon the sea and divide it, and the children of Israel shall pass through it.