Plagues of Egypt Comments

Make one copy for your use during the lesson activity. Read the verses below. Have the students with that card stand up and show the picture. Then use the statements to briefly discuss the plagues. After you have discussed the plague, say, "Then what did Pharaoh have to say?" The children should respond, "Don't know your God and won't obey. All the Hebrews have to stay."

All the water turned to blood (Exodus 7:20)

²⁰ And Moses and Aaron did so, just as the Lord commanded. So he lifted up the rod and struck the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants. And all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

Think of it! Water in the river, water in the wells, water in cups, and water in cooking pots all turned to blood.

Frogs (Exodus 8:3)

³ So the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into your house, into your bedroom, on your bed, into the houses of your servants, on your people, into your ovens, and into your kneading bowls.

There were frogs everywhere—frogs on the road, frogs on the floor, frogs in people's beds.

Lice (Exodus 8:17)

¹⁷ And they did so. For Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod and struck the dust of the earth, and it became lice on man and beast. All the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

Everyone was covered with lice. Everyone itched and scratched.

Flies (Exodus 8:24)

²⁴ And the Lord did so. Thick swarms of flies came into the house of Pharaoh, into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt. The land was corrupted because of the swarms of flies.

There were swarms of flies in the Egyptians' yards and barns and houses. But there were no flies where the Hebrews lived.

Cattle died. (Exodus 9:6)

⁶ So the Lord did this thing on the next day, and all the livestock of Egypt died; but of the livestock of the children of Israel, not one died.

All the Egyptians' cows and sheep and goats were lost. But God kept all the Hebrews' cattle safe.

Boils (Exodus 9:10)

¹⁰ Then they took ashes from the furnace and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses scattered them toward heaven. And they caused boils that break out in sores on man and beast.

The Egyptians had sores on their arms, sores on their legs, sores on their heads, and sores on the bottom of their feet! But the Hebrews had no sores.

Hail and fire fell on all of Egypt (Exodus 9:23)

²³ And Moses stretched out his rod toward heaven; and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and fire darted to the ground. And the Lord rained hail on the land of Egypt.

Hail fell, pounding the plants, pounding the Egyptians, pounding their houses. But there was no hail where the Hebrews dwelled.

Locusts (Exodus 10:13)

¹³ So Moses stretched out his rod over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind on the land all that day and all that night. When it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

Locusts ate everything in the Egyptians' fields. Nothing green was left.

Darkness (Exodus 10:22)

²² So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days (Exodus 10:22).

Darkness covered the Egyptians for three whole days and nights, but there was light where the Hebrews stayed.

