

#### D. THE TYPES WHICH ARE PRESENTED IN THE EGYPTIAN PHARAOH

1. In Pharaoh's power and control over the land of Egypt we see a type of Satan's power and control over this world system.
  - a. Pharaoh was decidedly against God and his domain had no acknowledgement of God nor room for Him (Ex. 5:2). Pharaoh exercised complete control over everyone in his realm and his subjects carried out his commands without question. He also commanded a powerful army (Ex. 14:5-9).
  - b. Notice Satan is the god of this world and all those without God in this world are subject to Satan and are controlled by him and are carrying out his will (II Cor. 4:3,4; Eph. 2:1-3). Satan like Pharaoh is against God and commands a spiritual army to maintain his control and keep his subjects in submission (I Pet. 5:8; Eph. 6:12).
2. In Pharaoh's enslavement of the Hebrews and mistreatment of them we see a type of the bondage that unsaved men are in under Satan's rule.
  - a. Pharaoh put the children of Israel in bondage and afflicted them in their service for him (Ex. 1:8-14).
  - b. Notice Satan is a hard taskmaster to serve under and he afflicts those under him (Rom. 6:12,14-18). This is so evident in the lives of those who carry out Satan's will in doing various sins. Consider the life of the drinker, the drug user, the fornicator, and others.
3. In Pharaoh's struggle against Moses to hold on to his captives we see a type of the struggle Satan puts up to keep those unsaved in sin's bondage.
  - a. Pharaoh would not let the children of Israel go (Ex. 5:1,2, 5-19). Pharaoh turned things around so that it appeared that Moses was hurting the people rather

than helping them (Ex. 5:20,21). Notice despite the plagues which God sent at the hand of Moses, Pharaoh lied and used others to deny God's power through counterfeits (Ex. 7 - 10).

- b. Notice that the devil will fight in all kinds of ways to keep people lost and under his control. He will turn things around on those who preach the gospel and hinder them (Acts 13:6-10; 13:44,45; 14:19,20; 15:1; 16:16-24). He will use counterfeits (II Cor. 11:13-15). And when the gospel is preached he will take it out of men's hearts so they won't be saved (Lk. 8:12). He does this by denying it or giving men some reasons to reject it.

- 4. In Pharaoh's use of magicians to emulate the miracles which Moses did and deny God's power, we see a type of how Satan uses religious counterfeits to oppose those who preach the gospel to deliver those in his bondage.
  - a. Pharaoh's magicians performed similar miracles to deny God's power (Ex. 7:22; 8:7;18).
  - b. Notice Satan uses religious counterfeits to deceive others and keep them in his power (II Cor. 11:13-15; I Jn. 4:1; Matt. 13:24-30). Many who appear to be God's servants are in reality workers of the devil.
- 5. In Pharaoh's proposals concerning the children of Israel we see a type of the compromises the devil calls upon Christians to make.
  - a. Pharaoh proposed that the children of Israel go and sacrifice to their God but to do it in the land of Egypt (Ex. 8:25,26).

This is what the devil would propose to Christians. He would say "be a Christian if you will but don't live a separated life, stay in Egypt". But association with the world leads to friendship with the world and this leads to conformity to the world. Such a compromise

is against the Scriptures (II Cor. 6:14-18; Rom. 12:1,2; I Jn. 2:15-17; James 4:4).

- b. Pharaoh proposed that he would let the children of Israel go but only if they would not go very far from Egypt (8:28).

This is similar to the devil's proposal for christian's to be worldly. It is to say - "Be a christian but don't be too separated or too removed from the things of the world". Such a compromise is illustrated in King Saul's disobedience and it met with God's judgment (I Sam. 15:3,9, 13-15, 19-23).

- c. Pharaoh proposed finally that the Israelites might go and sacrifice to their God in the wilderness but that their children should stay in Egypt (Ex. 10:8-11).

This is so similar to the compromise Satan calls upon christians to make concerning their children. He would say "Be a christian and live a separated and sacrificial life but don't expect or lead your children to do it. Let them pursue the ways of success according to the world - to have positions and occupations which lead to prosperity. The Scriptures exhort us to train up our children to be godly not worldly (Dt. 6:7; 17-25; Eph. 6:4).

- 6. In Pharaoh's judgment along with his hosts we see a type of how the devil will be judged along with all that belong to him.
  - a. Notice for Pharaoh's rebellion against God there came a time of judgment upon him (Ex. 12:29,30; 14:23-31; 15:19).
  - b. Just as Pharaoh and those with him were destroyed so shall the devil be judged along with all those that belong to him. Notice this destruction will be eternal. (Matt. 25; 41,46; Rev.. 20:10; 21:8).