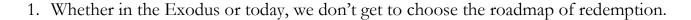
Journey to Freedom / A Series in Exodus 1-20 BLOOD AND SNAKES Exodus 7:8-24

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Introduction: Few things cause more visceral reactions than the sight of blood or snakes. Both serpents and profusive bleeding tend to cause a reflex of revulsion. Yet in Exodus 7, God uses blood and serpents to display his liberating power over Egypt's idols. So why don't these displays of power result in Israel's immediate release from bondage? And why do Egypt's magicians seem capable of (almost) duplicating such signs and wonders? Today, we'll explore how Christians are to respond when the world seems to win. And we'll ask why God's liberating judgment sometimes takes strange forms.

Applications:



2. It will not always seem like God's plan is working.

3.	The point the initial plagues is not to change the heart of Pharaoh, but to overthrow the idols of Egypt.
4.	A final question: What false gods in our lives need to be embarrassed and overthrown?