

# **“A House of Cards”**

**(Exodus 7)**

– **An Affirmation of Sovereign Purpose (v1-7)**

- Moses & Aaron are told the exact outcome of what follows.
- There is a theology that drives history (i.e. the purposes of God).
- God purposed to free Israel (v2,5), harden Pharaoh (v3), display His power (v3), judge Egypt (v4), that they might know who He is (v5).

– **A Humiliation of Satanic Mimicry (v8-13)**

- Satan is shown to be a poor & defeated imitator.
- God will humble & humiliate His enemies in their godlessness.
- Read 2 Timothy 3:1-9.

– **A Humbling of a Superpower (v9-25)**

- God unashamedly claims responsibility for all that follows.
- The blood is real blood; for it is immediate (v20), extensive (v19 & 21), unnatural, and clearly a horrifying warning of what was to come.
- The land was ravaged by thirst, and a great stench.
- The economy would have suffered a disastrous blow – “national grid collapse”
- The ‘gods’ of Egypt (Osiris, Nu, Hapi) were shown to be impotent, absent & outclassed.
- How frail a thing is a “super-power”!