

hardened, and he paid heed not unto them; as Hashem had said.

[20 (8:16)] And Hashem said unto Moshe, Rise up early in the boker, and stand before Pharaoh; hinei, he cometh forth to the mayim; and say unto him, Thus saith Hashem, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

[21 (8:17)] Else, if thou wilt not let My people go, hineni, I will send swarms of arov upon thee, and upon thy avadim, and upon thy people, and into thy batim (houses); and the batim (houses) of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of arov, and also the ground whereon they are.

[22 (8:18)] And I will deal differently in that day with Eretz Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of arov shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am Hashem in the midst of the earth.

[23 (8:19)] And I will put a distinction between My people and thy people; tomorrow shall this Ot be.

[24 (8:20)] And Hashem did so; there came a grievous swarm of arov into the bais Pharaoh, into batim of his avadim, into kol Eretz Mitzrayim; the land was corrupted from the swarm of arov.

[25 (8:21)] And Pharaoh called for Moshe, for Aharon, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to Eloheichem in the land.

[26 (8:22)] And Moshe said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the to'avot Egyptians to Hashem Eloheinu; lo, shall we sacrifice the to'avot Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?

[27 (8:23)] We will go derech shloshet yamim into the midbar, and sacrifice to Hashem Eloheinu, as He shall

command us.

[28 (8:24)] And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to Hashem Eloheichem in the midbar; only ye shall not go very far away; entreat for me.

[29 (8:25)] And Moshe said, Hinei, I go out from thee, and I will entreat Hashem that the swarms of arov may depart from Pharaoh, from his avadim, and from his people, tomorrow; but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully anymore in not letting the people go to sacrifice to Hashem.

[30 (8:26)] And Moshe went out from Pharaoh, and entreated Hashem.

[31 (8:27)] And Hashem did according to the devar Moshe; and He removed the swarms of arov from Pharaoh, from his avadim, from his people; there remained not one.

[32 (8:28)] And Pharaoh hardened his lev at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

**9** Then Hashem said unto Moshe, Go in unto Pharaoh, tell him, Thus saith Hashem Elohei HaIvrim, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

[2] For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still,

[3] Hinei, the Yad Hashem is upon thy mikneh (livestock) which is in the sadeh, upon the susim, upon the donkeys, upon the camels, upon the herd, and upon the tzon; there shall be a very grievous dever.

[4] And Hashem shall separate between the mikneh Yisroel and the mikneh Mitzrayim; and there shall nothing die of all that belongs to the Bnei Yisroel.

[5] And Hashem appointed a mo'ed, saying, Tomorrow Hashem shall do this thing in the land.

[6] And Hashem did that thing on the next day, and all the mikneh of Mitzrayim died; but of the mikneh of the Bnei Yisroel died not one.

[7] And Pharaoh sent, and, hinei, there was not one of the mikneh Yisroel dead. And the lev Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let HaAm go.

[8] And Hashem said unto Moshe and unto Aharon, Take to you handfuls of piach of the furnace, and let Moshe sprinkle it toward Shomayim in the sight of Pharaoh.

[9] And it shall become fine dust in kol Eretz Mitzrayim, and shall be a sh'khin (boil) breaking forth with festers upon adam, and upon behemah, throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim.

[10] And they took piach of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moshe sprinkled it up toward Shomayim; and it became a sh'khin breaking forth with festers upon adam, and upon behemah.

[11] And the kharetumim could not stand before Moshe because of the sh'khin; for the sh'khin was upon the kharetumim, and upon kol Mitzrayim.

[12] And Hashem hardened the lev Pharaoh, and he paid heed not unto them; as Hashem had spoken unto Moshe.

[13] And Hashem said unto Moshe, Rise up early in the boker, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith Hashem Elohei HaIvrim, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

[14] For I will at this time send all My maggefot upon thine lev, and upon thy avadim, and upon thy people; that thou mayest have da'as that there is none like Me in kol ha'aretz.