

## **Sermon Handout**

### **“Darkness and Light”**

Exodus 10:21-29

- I.** The narrative
  - A.** No warning, just Moses’ uplifted hand v. 21
  - B.** A thick darkness envelopes the land v. 22
  - C.** God divides between Egypt and Israel v. 23
  - D.** Pharaoh attempts another compromise v. 24
  - E.** Moses rejects the compromise vv. 25-26
  - F.** Pharaoh refuses to let Israel go v. 27
  - G.** Moses is ejected from Pharaoh’s presence vv. 28-29
  
- II.** The darkness/light motif
  - A.** From the beginning of creation Gen 1:1-5
  
  - B.** Darkness depicts judgment by God
    - Joel 2:1-2; Zeph 1:15; Rev 8:12
    - Is 13:9-10; Joel 2:10 (*cf.* Acts 2:20; Mt 24:29)
    - Ezek 32:7-8 – the later judgment on Egypt (*cf.* Ps 105:28)
    - Is 8:19-22; Dt 28:29; Job 5:14 (*cf.* 12:25)
    - Mt 27:45; Mk 15:33; Lk 23:44 – death of Jesus (3 hours)
  
  - C.** The tenth sign comes at midnight Ex 11:4; 12:12, 29-31; 42  
Death-judgment strikes in the dark of night
  
  - D.** The light of God’s favor v. 23 (Israel has light in their homes)  
The cloud: dark on one side, light on the other Ex 14:20  
  
Jesus the Redeemer is the True Light Jn 1:6-9  
Jn 8:12; Jn 3:17-19 (*cf.* Prov 4:19)  
  
The gospel divides darkness from light II Cor 4:1-6  
Jn 12:35-36 – believe in the light  
  
The believer is directed to walk in the light I Jn 1:5-7  
From this flows true fellowship with God v. 6  
From this flows true fellowship with one another v. 7