

## **EXODUS 9:13-35**

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE PURPOSES OF GOD**

Introduction:

It is a tragic mistake when a human being chooses to live as though there is no god. But what is even worse is when a human being begins to live and make decisions as though he or she is God.

Pharaoh provides with an example of such a person. Since he had been born as the son of another Pharaoh, this man had been taught that he was destined to be a god and destined to rule as a sovereign over that part of the world. When Moses came to his court claiming to have a word from the God of Israel, it presented a personal challenge to him. Who did this God of Israel think he was sending him commands and threatening him? He was not ready to yield an inch to the commands of the God of Moses and Israel.

But the God of Israel dealt with him patiently. Instead of crushing him, God gave a gracious word to him through His servant Moses. In this gracious word God revealed His purpose for both Pharaoh and Israel.

If you can get into this passage, you will discover the purposes of God that relate to your life.

I. GOD PURPOSES TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO US AS SOVEREIGN.

II. GOD PURPOSES TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO US AS POWERFUL.

III. GOD PURPOSES TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO US AS PREVAILING.