



Return of the Plagues

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Disastrous storms and floods, epidemics affecting humans and animals, swarms of locusts, poisoned lakes and dying rivers, a thick film of darkness that obscures the sun... These are some of the Biblical plagues of ancient Egypt. But have they been overcome forever – or have they returned to haunt and torment us in the 21st century?

There is a spine-tingling connection between the catastrophes depicted in Exodus 7-11 and those that are wreaking havoc on us today. Fact is that a devastating series of natural disasters actually did hit the densely populated area along the Nile in those days. Unable to understand them, the Old Testament authors resorted to explaining them with divine wrath over Pharaoh. Several millennia later, we think we have eliminated the danger of such plagues recurring. But we are wrong. „Return of the Plagues“ examines where we went wrong, and whether the modern plagues are nature’s way of avenging our ruthless exploitation of its resources – nature’s answer to globalization.

Each episode of this five-part series opens with an introduction to a Biblical plague which is evoked in dramatic reenactments. Then the modern-day story is introduced, whereby we follow researchers and scientists who show us how they are coping with the death and destruction caused by the plagues of today.

The series deals with toxic algae that cause massive fish mortality and contaminate our lakes and rivers; insects that carry diseases which kill millions of people worldwide; hail and heavy rain that make life increasingly difficult in various parts of the world; swarms of locusts that still destroy crops and leave behind a trail of devastation; sandstorms that cause worldwide climate changes through increasing desertification.

Moses is no longer among us to guide us out of harm’s way, but the many scientists featured in these five stimulating episodes most certainly deserve the same support shown to Moses by his followers.



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