

What Hardened Pharaoh's heart?

The Character of God manifest in His love for the human family. His love for Pharaoh and those whom Pharaoh was oppressing. And just so it has always been. God had raised Pharaoh up for His glory but like King Saul Pharaoh failed of his calling. So to King Belshazzar of Daniel 5 fell under this same condemnation—Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. 7:27.

King David, Jesus, Paul and others express this same thing. When the character of God is reproduced in His people by keeping His Commandments it hardens their family, neighbors hearts. Wether expressed in Due. 6:25, or in the integrity of Job 2:3.

Exo. 9:12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh,

Exo. 8:32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart

Exo. 10:1 . . . I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him: . .

Note: Signs are God's Judgment against those who refuse to love their fellow man as themselves.

Ps. 80:6 *Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours:* and our enemies laugh among themselves.

Matt. 10:34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. 35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 36 *And a man's foes shall be they of his own household.* 37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. 38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. 39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

Gal. 4:16 *Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?*

Those who honor the Bible Sabbath will be denounced as enemies of law and order, as breaking down the moral restraints of society, causing anarchy and corruption, and calling down the judgments of God upon the earth. Their conscientious scruples will be pronounced obstinacy, stubbornness, and contempt of authority. They will be accused of disaffection toward the government. Ministers who deny the obligation of the divine law will present from the pulpit

the duty of yielding obedience to the civil authorities as ordained of God. In legislative halls and courts of justice, *commandment keepers* will be misrepresented and condemned. A false coloring will be given to their words; the worst construction will be put upon their motives. GC 592.1