Miracles, Plagues, and Signs

1. Read the following passages or those you have been assigned:

Exodus 4:6–8 (the leprous hand)

Exodus 4:9 (water turns to blood)

Exodus 7:14—11:10 (the plagues against Egypt)

Exodus 12:1–28 (the Passover ritual)

* Exodus 15:22—16:3 (at Marah and Elim)

Exodus 16:4–36 (bread from heaven)

Exodus 17:1–7 (the water from the rock)

Exodus 19:16–25 (the theophany at Mount Sinai)

1. Answer the following questions for each sign on a separate sheet of paper:

How would you interpret the sign?

What event(s) from salvation history does it recall?

What message do you think the sign conveys to the Israelites at this point in the covenant relationship?

*Example:* Exodus 4:1–5, Moses’ staff is turned to a snake.

Through this sign, God illustrates his power over creation.

It recalls events from salvation history such as God’s promise to Abraham to have a child   
despite Sarah’s age, and the fulfillment of that promise in the birth of Isaac.

Moses knows that despite his worry, God will be with him on his mission to Pharaoh.